



DATE: June 22, 2021

CATEGORY: Consent

DEPT.: City Manager's Office

TITLE: **Appropriation of Cable Television Funds for Council Chambers Improvements**

RECOMMENDATION

Transfer and appropriate \$100,000 from the Cable Television Fund to Council Chambers Improvements, Project 15-18.6. (Five votes required)

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

The City's Cable Television Fund receives revenues from Public, Education, and Government (PEG) funds remitted by cable television operators who do business in Mountain View. Use of PEG funds is restricted to PEG-related capital costs for public and government access services in accordance with the Digital Infrastructure and Video Competition Act (DIVCA).

The Fiscal Year 2021-22 Proposed Budget includes a Cable Television Fund appropriation request of \$195,000. This request is consistent with those of previous fiscal years and designates \$170,000 to be passed on to KMVT Community Television for public and government access channel management per a contractual agreement.

As the City shifts operations and modifies public meetings as a result of changing COVID-19 guidelines and orders, various capital improvements in the Council Chambers are needed to update the City's aging television broadcast system with one that will support hybrid Council meetings and replace existing equipment that is no longer supported by the audio/visual vendor. The updates for hybrid meetings will allow Council meetings conducted in the Council Chambers to support both in-person and remote location participation. The updates to equipment will allow the City to broadcast meetings in full high definition (HD) native resolution with enhanced audio processing and control.

FISCAL IMPACT

The funding of \$100,000 for these Council Chambers improvements will come from the Cable Television Fund. There is sufficient available balance in the Cable Television Fund for the requested increase in appropriations.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Do not approve the appropriation.
2. Transfer and appropriate a different amount.
3. Provide other direction to staff.

PUBLIC NOTICING – Agenda posting.

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