

#### **CITY COUNCIL AGENDA** Tuesday, February 21, 2017

6:00 p.m. Closed session as provided by Section 2.2-3712 of the Virginia Code

Second Floor Conference Room (Discussion of the acquisition of real property for a public

purpose - Schenk's Branch)

**Regular Meeting - CALL TO ORDER** 7:00 p.m.

Council Chambers

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE ROLL CALL** 

AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS **ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

Planning Awards; The Big Read; Recognition of Judith Mueller's Retirement

CITY MANAGER RESPONSE TO MATTERS BY THE PUBLIC

Public comment is provided for up to 12 speakers at the beginning of the meeting (limit 3 minutes per **MATTERS BY THE PUBLIC** 

speaker.) Pre-registration is available for up to 9 of these spaces, and pre-registered speakers are announced by noon the day of the meeting. An unlimited number of spaces are available at the end of the

meeting.

1. CONSENT AGENDA\* (Items removed from consent agenda will be considered at the end of the regular agenda.)

Szakos/Galvin

a. Minutes for February 6 Additional Funding for Social Services Benefits Programs – \$14,519 (2<sup>nd</sup> of 2 readings) b. APPROPRIATION:

c. APPROPRIATION: Crisis Intervention Team Grant: Department of Criminal Justice Services - \$20,000

(2<sup>nd</sup> of 2 readings)

d. APPROPRIATION: Check and Connect Student Engagement Continuation Grant – \$147,000 (2<sup>nd</sup> of 2 readings)

Donations for Community Risk Reduction Initiatives – \$3,246 (2<sup>nd</sup> of 2 readings) e. APPROPRIATION:

Donations of Surplus City Police Cars to Piedmont VA Community College (1st of 1 reading) f. RESOLUTION:

Conditional Release of Bike/Pedestrian Access Easement on Meadowbrook Road to g. ORDINANCE:

Accommodate Retail Development at 1200 Emmet Street (2<sup>nd</sup> of 2 readings) h. ORDINANCE: Grant of Easement for Electric Duct Bank under Emmett Street, Stadium Road, Jefferson

Park Avenue and Monroe Lane to the University of Virginia (2<sup>nd</sup> of 2 readings)

CenturyLink Communications Telecommunications Franchise Renewal (2<sup>nd</sup> of 2 readings) i. ORDINANCE:

FiberLight Telecommunications Franchise Renewal (2<sup>nd</sup> of 2 readings) j. ORDINANCE:

2. PUBLIC HEARING / ORDINANCE\*

Cable Television Franchise Agreement with Comcast (carried) - Szakos/Fenwick

3. REPORT Landmark Hotel

4. REPORT Creation of City Staff Positions (Arts Director)

Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission Annual Work Program 5. REPORT

**OTHER BUSINESS MATTERS BY THE PUBLIC** 

\*ACTION NEEDED

# APPROPRIATION Additional Benefits Programs Funding \$14,519

**WHEREAS**, The Charlottesville Department of Social Services has received Federal and State funding in the amount of \$14,519 to be used for benefits programs staffing and operations.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, that the sum of \$14,519 is hereby appropriated in the following manner:

#### **Revenue – \$14,519**

Fund: 212 Cost Center: 9900000000 G/L Account: 430080

#### Expenditures - \$14,519

Fund: 212 Cost Center: 3301005000 G/L Account: 510030 \$ 6,000

Fund: 212 Cost Center: 3301005000 G/L Account: 510060 \$ 8,519

Approved by Council February 21, 2017

APPROPRIATION \$20,000

**C.I.T.** Grant – Department of Criminal Justice Services

**WHEREAS**, the City of Charlottesville, through the Thomas Jefferson Crisis

Intervention Team and the Charlottesville Police Department, receives grant funds from DCJS in

the amount of \$20,000;

WHEREAS, the City of Charlottesville, through the Thomas Jefferson Crisis

Intervention Team and the Charlottesville Police Department, receives grant funds to develop

and implement a comprehensive and measurable process for assuring C.I.T. training capacity and

consistency across the region;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of

Charlottesville, Virginia, that the lump sum of \$20,000, received from DCJS is hereby

appropriated in the following manner:

**Revenues: \$20,000** 

\$20,000

Fund: 209

Internal Order: 1900226

G/L Account: 430080

Expenditures: \$20,000

\$20,000

Fund: 209

Internal Order: 1900226

G/L Account: 599999

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia,

that this appropriation is conditioned upon the receipt of funding from DCJS, and will be hereby

considered as a continuing appropriation and funds received for this purpose will be immediately

available to spend for the C.I.T. program.

Approved by Council February 21, 2017

# APPROPRIATION Check and Connect Student Engagement Grant \$147,000

**WHEREAS**, the City of Charlottesville has been awarded \$110,250 in Federal Funds from the Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice, and \$36,750 in Matching Funds for a total award of \$147,000 for the Check and Connect Student Engagement Program; and

**WHEREAS,** the grant award covers the period from January 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, that the sum of \$147,000 is hereby appropriated in the following manner:

#### **Revenue – \$147,000**

\$110,250	Fund: 209	Cost Center:	3413008000	G/L Account: 430120
\$ 36,750	Fund: 209	Cost Center:	3413008000	G/L Account: 498010

#### Expenditures - \$147,000

\$131,139	Fund: 209	Cost Center:	3413008000	G/L Account: 519999
\$ 15,861	Fund: 209	Cost Center:	3413008000	G/L Account: 599999

#### **Transfer - \$36,750**

\$36.750	Fund: 213	Cost Center:	3/13009000	G/L: 561209 Transfers
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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this appropriation is conditioned upon the receipt of \$110,250 from VA Department of Criminal Justice Services, and \$36,750 from Community Attention.

Approved by Council February 21, 2017

### **APPROPRIATION Donations for Community Risk Reduction Initiatives - \$3,246**

1) Cadet Activity Fund, AFROTC DET 890 (\$100)
2) Charlottesville Area Community Foundation (\$300)
3) Virginia Diodes, Inc. (\$1,000)
4) SB & AH Inc. (\$1,846)

**NOW, THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, that the sum of \$3,246, to be received as donations from the above donors, be appropriated in the following manner:

#### <u>Revenues</u> - \$3,246

Fund: 105 Internal Order: 2000126 G/L Account: 451020

#### **Expenditures** - \$3,246

Fund: 105 Internal Order: 2000126 G/L Account: 599999

Approved by Council February 21, 2017

#### **RESOLUTION**

### Donation of surplus City Police Cars to Piedmont Virginia Community College (PVCC) Educational Foundation

2003 Ford Taurus, VIN 1FAFP55243A207458; 2008 Chevrolet Impala, VIN 2G1WT58N681300617; 2006 Ford Taurus, VIN1FAFP53U56A128339; 2009 Chevrolet Impala, VIN 2G1WB5EK8A1196909.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Charlottesville that a 2003 Ford Taurus, VIN 1FAFP55243A207458; 2008 Chevrolet Impala, VIN 2G1WT58N681300617; 2006 Ford Taurus, VIN1FAFP53U56A128339; 2009 Chevrolet Impala, VIN 2G1WB5EK8A1196909, operated by the Police Department be donated to Piedmont Virginia Community College (PVCC) Educational Foundation.

Approved by Council February 21, 2017

# AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PARTIAL RELEASE AND MODIFICATION OF A BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN ACCESS EASEMENT LOCATED AT THE CORNER OF MEADOWBROOK ROAD AND BARRACKS ROAD

**WHEREAS**, CA Land Holdings, LLC is the Contract Purchaser of vacant land situated at the northeastern corner of the intersection of Barracks Road and Emmet Street, addressed as 1200 Emmet Street and designated on City Tax Map 40 as Parcel 2.1 (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, to accommodate construction of a retail project on the Property, said Contract Purchaser has requested the partial release and modification of an existing bicycle and pedestrian easement, said easement being described as a permanent bicycle and pedestrian access easement, 15 feet in width, along Meadowbrook Road, conveyed to the City of Charlottesville by deed dated November 5, 2007, of record in the Clerk's Office for the Circuit Court of the City of Charlottesville in Deed Book 1172, Page 164 (hereinafter referred to as the "Subject Easement"); and

WHEREAS, the Contract Purchaser has represented that, in consideration of the partial release and modification of the Subject Easement, it will construct and improve a new bicycle and pedestrian pathway, and provide additional amenities (fencing and trees near the pathway but outside the Subject Easement), in accordance with details set forth within the approved final site plan for the retail development; and

**WHEREAS**, the Directors of Neighborhood Development Services (NDS) and Parks and Recreation have no objection to the partial release and modification of the Subject Easement, as depicted on the above-referenced site plan; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with Virginia Code Sec. 15.2-1800(B), a public hearing has been conducted by City Council, giving the public an opportunity to comment on the proposed partial release and modification of the Subject Easement; now, therefore,

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia that: (i) the proposed partial release and modification of the Subject Easement is hereby approved, subject to and expressly conditioned upon compliance with the conditions set forth below; and (ii) the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a deed, in such form as may be approved by the City Attorney, for the partial release and modification of the Subject Easement as contemplated within this ordinance, provided, however, that such deed shall be held by the City Attorney, and shall not be delivered to the Contract Purchaser, any Property Owner, or their successor(s) in interest, nor shall any such deed be recorded in the City's land records prior to compliance with the following conditions precedent:

- 1. Final approval by NDS of CA Land Holdings, LLC's site plan for the retail development at 1200 Emmet Street; and
- 2. Acquisition of title to the Property by Barracks ROW, LLC, or its successor in title and interest; and
- 3. The modified easement shall have an area of no less than 1,358 square feet. CA Land Holdings, LLC shall be responsible for providing a recordable plat showing the location and area of the Subject Easement, as modified.

Approved by Council February 21, 2017

Prepared by Lisa A. Robertson (VSB #32486) Charlottesville City Attorney Office, P.O. Box 911, Charlottesville, VA 22902

Tax Map Parcel 400002100 (1200 Emmet Street North)

This deed is exempt from state recordation taxes imposed by Virginia Code §58.1-802 pursuant to Virginia Code §58.1-811(C)(4).

THIS DEED OF MODIFICATION AND PARTIAL RELEASE OF EASEMENT made
this, 2017, from the <u>CITY OF</u>
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA, a municipal corporation and political subdivision of the
Commonwealth of Virginia (hereinafter, the "CITY"), GRANTOR, to BARRACKS ROW, LLC,
its successor(s) in title or assigns, GRANTEE, whose address is 455 Second Street, 4th Floor,
Charlottesville, Virginia 22902.
WITNESSETH:
WHEREAS, GRANTEE is the owner in fee simple of certain real property located in the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, designated on City Real Estate Tax Map 40 as Parcel 2.1, being the same property acquired by the Grantor by Deed from Capital One, N.A., dated
WHEREAS, by recordation of a Deed of Easement dated November 5, 2007, by S.J.S. Limited Company, of record in the Charlottesville Circuit Court Clerk's Office in Deed Book 1172, Page 164, the CITY was conveyed a certain bicycle and pedestrian easement, fifteen (15) feet in width, along Meadowbrook Road (the "2007 Bicycle and Pedestrian Easement"); and
WHEREAS, GRANTEE has requested the CITY to modify and release a portion of the 2007 Bicycle and Pedestrian Easement as it crosses the Property; and
WHEREAS, the CITY has agreed to modify and release a portion of the 2007 Bicycle and Pedestrian Easement, after holding a public hearing, advertised in accordance with Virginia Code Sec. 15.2-1800(B), and adoption of an Ordinance by the Charlottesville City Council on, 2017;

#### WITNESSETH:

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of ONE DOLLAR (\$1.00), receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the CITY does hereby agree to modify the boundaries of the 2007 Bicycle and Pedestrian Easement, so that, hereafter, the modified easement, approximately 1,358 square feet in area, shall have the boundaries shown on Sheet 3 of the Plat made by Roudabush, Gale & Associates, Inc., dated January 12, 2017, labeled "Variable Width Pedestrian Esm't Hereby Granted". All other terms and conditions contained in the 2007 Bicycle and Pedestrian Easement shall remain in effect with respect to the modified easement hereby established.

above.		
	s Mayor, pursuant to an Ordinance a	ity of Charlottesville has caused this dopted by City Council on
WITNESS the fol	lowing signature and seal.	
GRANTOR:	CITY OF CHARLOT	TESVILLE, VIRGINIA
	By:A. Michael	(SEAL)
	A. Michael	Signer, Mayor
APPROVED AS TO FOR Lisa A. Robertson, Chief City of Charlottesville, V	Deputy City Attorney	
COMMONWEALTH OF CITY OF CHARLOTTE		
	trument was acknowledged before r , 2017 by A. Michael Signer, Mayor	
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	Registration #:	
	My commission	expires:

FURTHER, the CITY does hereby agree to VACATE and RELEASE and forever

QUITCLAIM all its right, title and interest in and to only that portion of the 2007 Bicycle and Pedestrian Easement which is outside of the boundaries of the modified easement described herein

# AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE GRANT OF A UTILITY EASEMENT FOR ELECTRIC DUCT BANK FACILITIES UNDER EMMET STREET, STADIUM ROAD, JEFFERSON PARK AVENUE AND MONROE LANE TO THE RECTOR AND VISITORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

WHEREAS, the Rector and Visitors of the University of Virginia desire an easement for installation and maintenance of underground utility facilities (electrical duct bank) connecting three (3) Dominion Power substations in the University area, with the duct bank proposed to be located within the Emmet Street, Stadium Road, Jefferson Park Avenue and Monroe Lane rights-of-way in the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Engineer has reviewed and approved terms of the easement, and the locations of the easement as shown on four (4) plats made by Rice Associates, said plats being a part of the attached Deed of Easement; and,

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with <u>Virginia Code</u> section 15.2-1800, a public hearing was held before City Council to give the public an opportunity to comment on the grant of said easement; now, therefore

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a Deed of Easement, in form approved by the City Attorney, to grant the Rector and Visitors of the University of Virginia the easement as shown on the plats attached to the above-referenced Deed of Easement.

Approved by Council February 21, 2017

Prepared by S. Craig Brown (VSB #19286) Charlottesville City Attorney's Office P.O. Box 911, Charlottesville, VA 22902

Tax Maps 11, 16 and 17 (Emmet Street, Stadium Road, Jefferson Park Avenue, and Monroe Lane Rights of Way)

This deed is exempt from state recordation taxes pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 58.1-811(A)(1) and 58.1-811(C)(3).

THIS DEED made this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2017, by and between the CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA, a municipal corporation and political subdivision of the Commonwealth of Virginia, hereinafter called Grantor, and THE RECTOR AND VISITORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, an educational institution of the Commonwealth of Virginia, P.O. Box 400884, Charlottesville, Virginia 22904-0884, hereinafter called Grantee;

#### WITNESSETH:

That for the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Grantor does hereby grant unto Grantee a use easement for electric duct bank facilities, and such piping, conduit, electrical and related facilities as Grantee desires to place in such duct bank, located within the rights-of-way of Emmet Street, Stadium Road, Jefferson Park Avenue and Monroe Lane, and as shown on four (4) plats prepared by Rice Associates, attached hereto and made a part of this deed, and described as follows: (1) Plat entitled "Plat Showing Variable Width Utility Easement Within the Right-of-Way of Stadium Road and Emmet Street" dated March 31, 2016; (2) Plat entitled "Plat Showing Variable Width Utility Easement Within the Right-of-Way of Stadium Road" dated March 30, 2016; (3) Plat entitled "Plat Showing Variable Width Utility Easement Within the Right-of-Way of Jefferson Park Avenue" dated April 1, 2016; and (4) Plat entitled "Plat Showing Variable Width Utility Easement Within the Right-of-Way of Monroe Lane" dated April 1, 2016.

The facilities constructed by Grantee shall remain the property of Grantee. Grantee shall have the right to inspect, rebuild, repair, improve and make such changes, alterations, additions to or extensions of its facilities within the boundaries of said easement which are consistent with the purposes expressed herein. All construction, maintenance, equipment and facilities shall comply with any applicable laws, regulations or codes.

Grantee shall restore Grantor's premises, including the right-of-way, as nearly to their original condition as possible, including backfilling of trenches, reconstruction of sidewalks, curbs or roads, reseeding of lands, removal of trash and debris, and removal of any of Grantee's equipment, accessories or appurtenances not consistent with the construction, maintenance or operation of said facilities or the exercise of any rights or privileges expressed herein. Grantee shall maintain said right-of-way and facilities in such repair as not to endanger or otherwise limit the enjoyment and use of adjacent properties.

Grantee shall have the right of ingress to and egress from said easement over the lands of the Grantor. Grantee shall exercise such right in such manner as shall not occasion injury or unreasonable inconvenience to the Grantor or the public. Grantee shall at Grantor's election pay

for or repair any injury to any of Grantor's land, structures, roads, fences, sidewalks, curbs and other improvements caused by Grantee, its employees, agents or contractors. Grantee shall notify Grantor immediately of any such injury, and shall make said payment or repair as soon as reasonably possible but not to exceed thirty (30) days after such injury occurs. Grantee shall be responsible for the payment of those claims for personal injury or death arising out of any act or omission of its employees or agents in connection with the exercise of its rights hereunder for which it is held liable under applicable law. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed an express or implied waiver of the sovereign immunity of Grantee.

Grantor, its successors and assigns may use said right-of-way for any purpose not inconsistent with the rights hereby granted, provided such use does not interfere with the safe and efficient construction, operation or maintenance of Grantee's facilities. Grantor's use of the right-of-way as a public road shall not in any way be construed to constitute interference with the construction, operation or maintenance of Grantee's facilities.

This easement shall be in effect for a period of forty (40) years; however, if Grantee at any time discontinues use of all or any portion of the easement herein conveyed for a period of one (1) year, all of Grantee's rights and interest in said easement or portion thereof shall terminate and revert to Grantor, its successors and assigns, and Grantee shall at its expense remove any facilities and restore Grantor's property as nearly to its original condition as practicable, and on written request by Grantor, Grantee shall quitclaim and release same.

If either party at any time deems it necessary or advisable to relocate for convenience any of Grantee's facilities installed and used pursuant to this deed of easement, Grantee shall relocate such facilities to a route or place mutually agreed upon between Grantor and Grantee; provided Grantor, for no additional consideration, shall grant unto Grantee such easements as may be necessary to effect such relocation, subject to the same rights, privileges and conditions, as hereinabove set forth. If such relocation is for the convenience of Grantee, Grantee shall pay the costs of such relocation and restoration of Grantor's property. If such relocation is for the convenience of Grantor, Grantor shall reimburse Grantee the costs of such relocation and restoration of Grantor's property. Upon relocation of any of the facilities from any portion of the easement hereby granted, that portion of the easement shall automatically terminate and all rights, title and interest therein shall revert to Grantor. Upon receipt of written request from Grantor, Grantee shall execute a deed of quitclaim to evidence such reversion to Grantor.

Both Grantor and Grantee agree and attest that no other agreement, either written or implied, has been entered into by either or both parties except as expressed hereinabove.

Grantor covenants that it is seized of and has the right to convey this easement, that Grantee shall have quiet possession, use and enjoyment of this easement, and that Grantor shall execute such further assurances thereof as may be required.

IN	TESTIN	<b>MONY</b>	WHEREOF, th	e City of	Charlottesville,	Virginia,	pursuant to an
ordinance	adopted	by the	Council on the		_ day of		, 2017, has
authorized	this deed	to be ex	xecuted by A. Mi	chael Sign	ner, its Mayor.		

#### **WITNESS** the following signatures and seals:

Special Assistant Attorney General

GRANTEE:	THE RECTOR AND VISITORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA
	Patrick D. Hogan Executive Vice President & Chief Operating Officer
STATE OF VIRGINIA COUNTY/CITY OF	, to wit:
	owledged before me this day of ogan, Executive Vice President & Chief Operating University of Virginia.
My commission expires:	·
Registration Number:	
	NOTARY PUBLIC
Reviewed and Approved as to Form and Legal Sufficiency:	
Pamela H. Sellers Associate University Counsel and	

GRANTOR:	CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA
	A. Michael Signer Mayor
	owledged before me this day of
My commission expires:	Signer, Mayor of the City of Charlottesville.
Registration Number	NOTARY PUBLIC

#### AN ORDINANCE

# GRANTING A TELECOMMUNICATIONS FRANCHISE TO CENTRAL TELEPHONE COMPANY OF VIRGINIA D/B/A CENTURYLINK, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS TO USE THE STREETS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA FOR ITS POLE, WIRES, CONDUITS, CABLES AND FIXTURES, FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, that CENTRAL TELEPHONE COMPANY OF VIRGINIA, D/B/A/CENTURYLINK (the "Company"), its successors and assigns, is hereby granted a telecommunications franchise for a period of five (5) years from the effective date hereof be and is hereby authorized and empowered to erect, maintain and operate certain telephone lines and associated equipment, including posts, poles, cables, wires and all other necessary overhead or underground apparatus and associated equipment on, over, along, in, under and through the streets, alleys, highways and other public places of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia (the "City") as its business may from time to time require; provided that:

Approved by Council

February 21, 2017

ARTICLE I

#### SECTION 101 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

Acting Clerk of Council

To provide for the health, safety and welfare of its citizens and to ensure the integrity of its roads and streets and the appropriate use of the Public Rights-of-Way, the City strives to keep the right-of-way under its jurisdiction in a state of good repair and free from unnecessary encumbrances.

Accordingly, the City hereby enacts this Ordinance relating to a telecommunications right-of-way franchise and administration. This Ordinance imposes regulation on the placement and maintenance of Facilities and equipment owned by the Company currently within the City's Public Rights-of-Way or to be placed therein at some future time. The Ordinance is intended to complement, and not replace, the regulatory roles of both state and federal agencies. Under this Ordinance, when excavating and obstructing the Public Rights-of-Way, the Company will bear financial responsibility for their work to the extent provided herein. Finally, this Ordinance provides for recovery of the City's reasonable out-of-pocket costs related to the Company's use of the Public Rights-of-Way, subject to the terms and conditions herein.

SECTION 102 AUTHORITY TO MANAGE THE RIGHT OF WAY

This Ordinance granting a telecommunications franchise is created to manage and regulate the Company's use of the City's Public Rights-of-Way along city roads pursuant to the authority granted to the City under Sections 15.2-2015, 56-460, and 56-462(A) of the Virginia Code and other applicable state and federal statutory, administrative and common law.

This Ordinance and any right, privilege or obligation of the City or Company hereunder, shall be interpreted consistently with state and federal statutory, administrative and common law, and such statutory, administrative or common law shall govern in the case of conflict. This Ordinance shall not be interpreted to limit the regulatory and police powers of the City to adopt and enforce other general ordinances necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

#### SECTION 103 DEFINITIONS

- **103.1** CITY means the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, a municipal corporation.
- **103.2** COMPANY means Central Telephone Company Of Virginia, D/B/A/Centurylink, including its successors and assigns.
- **103.3 DIRECTOR** means the Director of Public Works for the City of Charlottesville.
- **103.4 FACILITY** means any tangible asset in the Public Rights-of-Way required to provide utility service, which includes but is not limited to; cable television, electric, natural gas, telecommunications, water, sanitary sewer and storm sewer services.
- **103.5** PATCH means a method of pavement replacement that is temporary in nature.
- **103.6 PAVEMENT** means any type of improved surface that is within the Public Rights-of-Way including but not limited to any improved surface constructed with bricks, pavers, bituminous, concrete, aggregate, or gravel or some combination thereof.
- 103.7 PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY or PROW means the area on, below, or above a public roadway, highway, street, cartway, bicycle lane, and public sidewalk in which the City has an interest, included other dedicated rights-of-way for travel purposes and utility easements of the City, paved or otherwise. This definition does not include a state highway system regulated pursuant to the direction of the Commonwealth Transportation Board.

#### **Article II**

#### Section 201 Initial Installation

The installation of equipment, lines, cables or other Facilities by the Company shall be a mixture of overhead and underground in Public Rights-of-Way.

#### Section 202 Subsequent Installation

- 202.1 SUBSEQUENT INSTALLATION MADE PURSUANT TO AN APPROVED PROW PLAN:
  Additional Facilities installed within the PROW may be placed overhead or underground pursuant to an approved request by the Company made pursuant to Article III, and in accordance with such generally applicable ordinances or regulations governing such installations that have been adopted by the City from time to time.
- **202.2 GENERAL PREFERENCE FOR UNDERGROUND FACILITIES:** As a matter of policy, the City prefers that the installation of any Facility within the PROW occur underground. Notwithstanding this preference, the City recognizes that in some circumstances the placement of Facilities underground may not be appropriate.
- **202.3 INSTALLATION OF OVERHEAD FACILITIES:** Where a subsequent PROW plan is approved for overhead installation, the Company shall use its existing Facilities, or those of another utility where available. If the PROW plan calls for overhead installation and existing Facilities cannot accommodate the proposed installation, the Company will clearly indicate in the PROW plan its intended placement of new Facilities for the Director's review and consideration pursuant to Article III.
- **202.4 FUTURE ORDINANCES**: Nothing herein shall be construed to limit the authority of the city to adopt an ordinance that will restrict the placement of overhead lines for all utilities using the PROW within a defined area of the City.
- 202.5 CONDITIONS FOR RELOCATING UNDERGROUND: The Company agrees that if, at some future time, the telephone and other utility lines on the posts, poles, and other overhead apparatus upon which the Company has placed some or all of its Facilities in the City's PROWs are relocated underground, the Company will also, at such time, relocate its Facilities on those posts, poles, and other overhead apparatus underground at its expense. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the City shall reimburse Company for any such relocation expense if such reimbursement is required by Section 56-468.2 of the Code of Virginia, or other applicable law.

#### Section 203 Inspection by the City

The Company shall make the work-site available to the City and to all others as authorized by law for inspection at all reasonable times, during the execution of, and upon completion of, all work conducted pursuant to this Ordinance.

Section 204 Authority of the City to Order Cessation of Excavation

At the time of inspection, or any other time as necessary, the City may order the immediate cessation and correction of any work within the Public Rights-of-Way which poses a serious threat to the life, health, safety or well being of the public.

#### Section 205 Location of Posts, Poles, Cables and Conduits

In general, all posts, poles, wires, cables and conduits which the Company places within the Public Rights-of-Way pursuant to this Ordinance shall in no way permanently obstruct or interfere with public travel or the ordinary use of, or the safety and convenience of persons traveling through, on, or over, the Public Rights-of-Way within the City of Charlottesville.

#### **SECTION 206 OBSTRUCTION OF THE PROW**

Generally, any obstruction of the PROW is limited to the manner clearly specified within an approved PROW plan.

- 206.1 REMOVAL OF OBSTRUCTIONS: Obstructions of the PROW not authorized by an approved PROW plan shall be promptly removed by the Company upon receipt of notice from the City. The City's notice of the Obstruction will include a specified reasonable amount of time determined by the Director for the Company's removal of the obstruction, given the location of the obstruction and its potential for an adverse effect on the public's safety and the public's use of the PROW. If the Company has not removed its obstruction from the PROW within the time designated within the notice, the City, at its election, will make such removal and the Company shall pay to the City its reasonable costs within thirty (30) days of billing accompanied by an itemized statement of the City's reasonable costs. If payment is not received by the City within the thirty (30) day period, the City Attorney may bring an action to recover the reasonable costs of the removal and reasonable attorney's fees in a court of competent jurisdiction pursuant to Section 56-467 of the Virginia Code. Reasonable costs may include, but are not limited to administrative, overhead mobilization, material, labor, and equipment related to removing the obstruction.
- **206.2 NO OBSTRUCTION OF WATER:** The Company shall not obstruct the PROW in a manner that interferes with the natural free and clear passage of water through the gutters, culverts, ditches tiles or other waterway.
- **206.3 PARKING, LOADING AND UNLOADING OF VEHICLES SHALL NOT OBSTRUCT THE PROW:** Private vehicles of those doing work for the Company in the PROW must be parked in a manner that conforms to the City's applicable parking regulations. The loading or unloading of trucks must be done in a manner that will not obstruct normal traffic within the PROW, or jeopardize the safety of the public who use the PROW.

#### **Article III**

#### Section 301 Administration of the Public Rights of Way

The Director is the principal City official responsible for the administration of this Ordinance granting a telecommunications franchise to the Company and any of its PROW Plans. The Director may delegate any or all of the duties hereunder to an authorized representative.

#### Section 302 Submission of PROW Plan

At least thirty (30) days before beginning any installation, removal or relocation of underground or overhead Facilities, the Company shall submit detailed plans of the proposed action to the Director for his or her review and approval, which approval shall not unreasonably be withheld, conditioned, or delayed.

#### Section 303 Good Cause Exception

- **303.1 WAIVER:** The Director, at his or her sole judgment, is authorized to waive the thirty (30) day requirement in Section 302 for good cause shown.
- **303.2 EMERGENCY WORK:** The Company shall immediately notify the Director of any event regarding its facilities that it considers to be an emergency. The Company will proceed to take whatever actions are necessary to respond to the emergency, or as directed by the Director.
- If the City becomes aware of an emergency regarding the Company's facilities, the City will attempt to contact the emergency. The costs associated with the City's respond shall be borne by the person whose facilities occasioned the emergency.

#### Section 304 Decision on PROW Plan by the Director

- **304.1 DECISION:** The Director, or his or her authorized representative, shall, within thirty (30) days, either approve the Company's plans for proposed action as described in Section 302 or inform the Company of the reasons for disapproval. The Company shall designate a responsible contact person with whom officials of the Department of Public Works can communicate on all matters relating to equipment installation and maintenance.
- **304.2 APPEAL:** Upon written request within thirty (30) days of the Director's decision, the Company may have the denial of a PROW Plan reviewed by the City Manager. The City Manager will schedule its review of the Director's decision within forty-five (45) days of

receipt of such a request. A decision by the City Manager will be in writing and supported by written findings establishing the reasonableness of its decision.

#### Section 305 Mapping Data

Upon completion of each project within the Public Rights-of-Way pursuant to this Ordinance, the Company shall provide to the City such information necessary to maintain its records, including but not limited to:

- (a) location and elevation of the mains, cables, conduits, switches, and related equipment and other Facilities owned by the Company located in the PROW, with the location based on (i) offsets from property lines, distances from the centerline of the Public Rights-of-Way, and curb lines; (ii) coordinates derived from the coordinate system being used by the City; or (iii) any other system agreed upon by the Company and the City;
- (b) the outer dimensions of such Facilities; and
- (c) a description of above ground appurtenances.

#### **Article IV**

#### Section 401 Compliance with all Law and Regulations

Obtaining this telecommunications franchise shall in no way relieve the Company of its duty to obtain all other necessary permits, licenses, and authority and to pay all fees required by any applicable state or federal rule, law or regulation. The Company shall comply with and fulfill all generally applicable laws and regulations, including ordinances, regulations and requirements of the City, regarding excavations and any other work in or affecting the Public Rights-of-Way. The Company shall perform all work in conformance with all applicable codes and established rules and regulations, and it is responsible for all work conducted by the Company, another entity or person acting on its behalf pursuant to this Ordinance in the Public Rights-of-Way.

#### **Article V**

## Section 501 Relocation of Company Facilities within the Public Rights-of Way

Upon written notice from the Director of a planned and authorized improvement or alteration of City sidewalks, streets or other property, or of a proposed relocation of any City-owned utilities that necessitate relocation of some or all of the Facilities owned by the Company and lines to accommodate same, the Company shall relocate at its own expense any such Facilities within one

hundred eighty (180) days of receipt of the notice. At Company's request, the city may consent to a longer period, such consent not to be unreasonably or discriminatorily withheld, conditioned or delayed. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the City shall reimburse Company for any such relocation expense if such reimbursement is required by Section 56-468.2 of the Code of Virginia, or other applicable law.

#### Section 502 Rights-of Way Patching and Restoration

- **502.1 RESTORATION STANDARD:** Where the Company disturbs or damages the Public Rights-of-Way, the Director shall have the authority to determine the manner and extent of the restoration of the Public Rights-of-Way, and may do so in written procedures of general application or on a case-by-case basis. In exercising this authority, the Director will consult with any state or federal standards for rights-of-way restoration and shall be further guided by the following considerations:
  - (a) the number, size, depth and duration of the excavations, disruptions or damage to the Public Rights-of-Way;
  - (b) the traffic volume carried by the Public Rights-of-Way; the character of the neighborhood surrounding the right-of-way;
  - (c) the pre-excavation condition of the Public Rights-of-Way and its remaining life expectancy;
  - (d) the relative cost of the method of restoration to the Company balanced against the prevention of an accelerated deterioration of the right-of-way resulting from the excavation, disturbance or damage to the Public Rights-of-Way; and
  - (e) the likelihood that the particular method of restoration would be effective in slowing the depreciation of the Public Rights-of-Way that would otherwise take place.
- **502.2 TEMPORARY SURFACING:** The Company shall perform temporary surfacing patching and restoration including, backfill, compaction, and landscaping according to standards determined by, and with the materials determined by, the Director.
- **502.3 TIMING**: After any excavation by the Company pursuant to this Ordinance, the patching and restoration of the Public Rights-of-Way must be completed promptly and in a manner determined by the Director.
- **502.4 GUARANTEES:** The Company guarantees its restoration work and shall maintain it for twenty-four (24) months following its completion. The previous statement notwithstanding, the Company will guarantee and maintain plantings and turf for twelve

- (12) months. During these maintenance periods, the Company shall, upon notification by the City, correct all restoration work to the extent necessary, using the method determined by the Director. Such work shall be completed after receipt of notice from the Director, within a reasonably prompt period, with consideration given for days during which work cannot be done because of circumstances constituting force majeure. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company's guarantees set forth hereunder concerning restoration and maintenance, shall not apply to the extent another company, franchisee, licensee, permittee, other entity or person, or the City disturbs or damages the same area, or a portion thereof, of the Public Rights-of-Way.
- **502.5 DUTY TO CORRECT DEFECTS:** The Company shall correct defects in patching, or restoration performed by it or its agents. Upon notification from the City, the Company shall correct all restoration work to the extent necessary, using the method determined by the Director. Such work shall be completed after receipt of the notice from the Director within a reasonably prompt period, with consideration given for days during which work cannot be done because of circumstances constituting force majeure.
- 502.6 FAILURE TO RESTORE: If the Company fails to restore the Public Rights-of-Way in the manner and to the condition required by the Director pursuant to Section 502.5, or fails to satisfactorily and timely complete all restoration required by the Director pursuant to the foregoing, the City shall notify the Company in writing of the specific alleged failure or failures and shall allow the Company at least ten (10) days from receipt of the notice to cure the failure or failures, or to respond with a plan to cure. In the event that the Company fails to cure, or fails to respond to the City's notice as provided above, the City may, at its election, perform the necessary work and the Company shall pay to the City its reasonable costs for such restoration within thirty (30) days of billing accompanied by an itemized statement of the City's reasonable costs. If payment is not received by the City within the thirty (30) day period, the City Attorney may bring an action to recover the reasonable costs of the restoration and reasonable attorney's fees in a court of competent jurisdiction pursuant to Section 56-467 of the Virginia Code. Reasonable costs may include, but are not limited to, administrative, overhead mobilization, material, labor, and equipment related to such restoration.
- shall be responsible for the cost of repairing any Facilities existing within the Public Rights-of-Way that it or the Facilities owned by the Company damage. If the Company damages the City's Facilities within the Public Rights-of-Way, such as, but not limited to, culverts, road surfaces, curbs and gutters, or tile lines, the Company shall correct the damage within a prompt period after receiving written notification from the City. If the Company does not correct the City's damaged Facilities pursuant to the foregoing, the City may make such repairs as necessary and charge all of the reasonable costs of such repairs within thirty (30) days of billing accompanied by an itemized statement of the City's reasonable costs. If payment is not received by the City within such thirty (30) day period, the City Attorney may bring an action to recover the reasonable costs of the restoration and reasonable attorney's fees in a court of competent jurisdiction pursuant to

Section 56-467 of the Virginia Code. Reasonable costs may include, but are not limited to, administrative, overhead mobilization, material, labor, and equipment related to such repair.

**502.8 DIRECTOR'S STANDARD:** All determinations to be made by the Director with respect to the manner and extent of restoration, patching, repairing and similar activities under the franchise granted by this Ordinance, shall be reasonable and shall not be unreasonably conditioned, withheld, or delayed. The Company may request additional time to complete restoration, patching, repair, or other similar work as required under the franchise granted by this Ordinance, and the Director shall not unreasonably withhold, condition, or delay consent to such requests.

#### **Article VI**

#### Section 601 Indemnification and Liability

- **601.1 SCOPE OF INDEMNIFICATION:** Subject to the following, the Company agrees and binds itself to indemnify, keep and hold the City council members, Board and its employees free and harmless from liability on account of injury or damage to persons, firms or corporations or property growing out of or directly or indirectly resulting from:
  - (a) the Company's use of the streets, alleys, highways, sidewalks, rights-of-way and other public places of the City pursuant to the franchise granted by this Ordinance;
  - (b) the acquisition, erection, installation, maintenance, repair, operation and use of any poles, wires, cables, conduits, lines, manholes, facilities and equipment by the Company, its authorized agents, subagents, employees, contractors or subcontractors; or
  - (c) the exercise of any right granted by or under the franchise granted by this Ordinance or the failure, refusal or neglect of the Company to perform any duty imposed upon or assumed by the Company by or under the franchise granted by this. Ordinance.
- (a), (b), (c) of Section 601.1, claiming such injury, death, or damage shall be brought or threatened against the City, either independently or jointly with the Company, the Company will defend, indemnify and hold the City harmless in any such suit, at the cost of the Company, provided that the City promptly provides written notice of the commencement or threatened commencement of the action or proceeding involving a claim in respect of which the City will seek indemnification hereunder. The Company shall be entitled to have sole control over the defense through counsel of its own choosing and over settlement of such claim provided that the Company must obtain the prior written approval of City of any settlement of such claims against the City, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed more than thirty (30) days. If, in such a suit, a final judgment is obtained against the City, either independently or jointly with the Company, the Company will pay the judgment, including all reasonable costs, and will hold the City harmless therefrom.

#### Section 602 Waiver by the City

The City waives the applicability of these indemnification provisions in their entirety if it:

(a) elects to conduct its own defense against such claim;

- (b) fails to give prompt notice to the Company of any such claim such that the Company's ability to defend against such claim is compromised;
- (c) denies approval of a settlement of such claim for which the Company seeks approval; or
- (d) fails to approve or deny a settlement of such claim within thirty (30) days of the Company seeking approval.

#### Section 603 Insurance

- **603.1** The Company shall also maintain in force a comprehensive general liability policy in a form satisfactory to the City Attorney, which at minimum must provide:
  - (a) verification that an insurance policy has been issued to the Company by an insurance company licensed to do business in the State of Virginia, or a form of self insurance acceptable to the City Attorney;
  - (b) verification that the Company is insured against claims for personal injury, including death, as well as claims for property damage arising out of (i) the use and occupancy of the Public Rights-of-Way by the Company, its agents, employees and permittees, and (ii) placement and use of Facilities owned by the Company in the Public Rights-of-Way by the Company, its officers, agents, employees and permittees, including, but not limited to, protection against liability arising from completed operations, damage of underground Facilities and collapse of property;
  - (c) verification that the City Attorney will be notified thirty (30) days in advance of cancellation of the policy or material modification of a coverage term;
  - (d) verification that comprehensive liability coverage, automobile liability coverage, workers compensation and umbrella coverage established by the City Attorney in amounts sufficient to protect the City and the public and to carry out the purposes and policies of this Ordinance; and
  - (e) verification that the policy has a combined single limit coverage of not less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000).

The policy shall include the City as an additional insured party, and the Company shall provide the City Attorney with a certificate of such coverage before beginning installation of any lines, cable or equipment.

**603.2** The Company shall also require similar indemnification and insurance coverage from any contractor working on its behalf in the public right-of-way.

#### Section 604 Negligence and Intentional Acts

Nothing herein contained shall be construed to render the Company liable for or obligated to indemnify the City, its agents, or employees, for the negligence or intentional acts of the City, its Council members, its Board, its agents or employees, or a permittee of the City.

#### **Article VII**

#### SECTION 701 GENERAL REQUIREMENT OF A PERFORMANCE BOND

Prior to the Effective Date of this Ordinance, the Company has deposited with the City a Performance Bond made payable to the city in the amount of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000). The Performance Bond is to guarantee that the project is done in a proper manner without damage to the PROW. The bond shall be written by a corporate surety acceptable to the City and authorized to do business in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Upon completion of construction of the Facilities, the Company may reduce the Performance Bond to the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) and made payable to the City, and the Performance Bond shall be maintained at this amount through the term of this Agreement.

#### Section 702 Changed Amount of the Performance Bond

At any time during the Term, the City may, acting reasonably, require or permit the Company to change the amount of the Performance Bond if the City finds that new risk or other factors exist that reasonably necessitate or justify a change in the amount of the Performance Bond. Such new factors may include, but not be limited to, such matters as:

- (a) material changes in the net worth of the Company;
- (b) changes in the identity of the Company that would require the prior written consent of the City;
- (c) material changes in the amount and location of Facilities owned by the Company;
- (d) the Company's recent record of compliance with the terms and conditions of this Ordinance; and
- (e) material changes in the amount and nature of construction or other activities to be performed by the Company pursuant to this Ordinance.

#### Section 703 Purpose of Performance Bond

The Performance Bond shall serve as security for:

- (a) the faithful performance by the Company of all terms, conditions and obligations of this Ordinance:
- (b) any expenditure, damage or loss incurred by the City occasioned by the Company's failure to comply with all rules, regulations, orders, permits and other directives of the City issued pursuant to this Ordinance;
- (c) payment of compensation required by this Ordinance;
- (d) the payment of premiums for the liability insurance required pursuant to this Ordinance;
- (e) the removal of Facilities owned by the Company from the Streets at the termination of the Ordinance, at the election of the City, pursuant to this Ordinance;
- (f) any loss or damage to the Streets or any property of the City during the installation, operation, upgrade, repair or removal of Facilities by the Company;
- (g) the payment of any other amounts that become due to the City pursuant to this Ordinance or law;
- (h) the timely renewal of any letter of credit that constitutes the Performance Bond; and
- (i) any other costs, loss or damage incurred by the City as a result of the Company's failure to perform its obligations pursuant to this Ordinance.

#### Section 704 Fees or Penalties for Violations of the Ordinance

**704.1 FEE OR PENALTY:** The Company shall be subject to a fee or a penalty for violation of this Ordinance as provided for in applicable law.

704.2 APPEAL: The Company may, upon written request within thirty (30) days of the City's decision to assess a fee or penalty and for reasons of good cause, ask the City to reconsider its imposition of a fee or penalty pursuant to this Ordinance unless another period is provided for in applicable law. The City shall schedule its review of such request to be held within forty-five (45) days of receipt of such request from the Company. The City's decision on the Company's appeal shall be in writing and supported by written findings establishing the reasonableness of the City's decision. During the pendency of the appeal before the City or any subsequent appeal thereafter, the Company shall place any such fee or penalty in an interest-bearing escrow account. Nothing herein shall limit the Company's right to challenge such assessment or the City's decision on appeal, in a court of competent jurisdiction.

#### **Article VIII**

#### SECTION 801 COMPENSATION/PROW USE FEE.

The City reserves the right to impose at any time on the Company consistent with Section 253(c) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended:

- (a) a PROW Use Fee in accordance with Section 56-468.1(G) of the Code of Virginia, and/or
- (b) any other fee or payment that the City may lawfully impose for the occupation and use of the Streets.

The Company shall be obligated to remit the PROW Use Fee and any other lawful fee enacted by the City, so long as the City provides the Company and all other affected certificated providers of local exchange telephone service appropriate notice of the PROW Use Fee as required by Section 56-468.1(G) of the Code of Virginia. If the PROW Use Fee is eliminated, discontinued, preempted or otherwise is declared or becomes invalid, the Company and the City shall negotiate in good faith to determine fair and reasonable compensation to the City for use of the Streets by the Company for Telecommunications.

#### SECTION 802 FRANCHISING COSTS

Prior to the execution of this Ordinance, the City incurred costs for the services of third parties (including, without limitation, attorneys and other consultants) in connection with the award of this telecommunications Franchise. Within thirty (30) days after receipt from the City of an invoice for such costs, the Company shall pay at such time and in such manner as the City shall specify to the City or, at the direction of the City, to third parties an amount equal to the costs the City incurs for the services of such third parties. Payment by Company of such franchising costs shall not in any way be offset nor deducted from applicable PROW use fees required pursuant to Section 801 herein. In the event of any renewal, renegotiations, transfer, amendment or other modification of this Ordinance or the Franchise, the Company will reimburse the City in the

same manner for such third party costs, if any are incurred The Company's obligations under this Section shall not exceed two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2500.00).

#### Section 803 No Credits or Deductions

The compensation and other payments to be made pursuant to Article VIII: (a) shall not be deemed to be in the nature of a tax, and (b) except as may be otherwise provided by Section 56-468.1 of the Code of Virginia, shall be in addition to any and all taxes or other fees or charges that the Company shall be required to pay to the City or to any state or federal agency or authority, all of which shall be separate and distinct obligations of the Company.

## SECTION 804 REMITTANCE OF COMPENSATION/LATE PAYMENTS, INTEREST ON LATE PAYMENTS

(1) If any payment required by this Ordinance is not actually received by the City on or before the applicable date fixed in this Ordinance, or (2), in the event the City adopts an ordinance imposing a PROW Use Fee, if such Fee has been received by the Company from its customers, and has not been actually received by the City on or before the applicable date fixed in this Ordinance or thirty (30) days after receipt of the PROW Use Fee from its customers, whichever is later, then the Company shall pay interest thereon, to the extent permitted by law, from the due date to the date paid at a rate equal to the rate of interest then charged by the City for late payments of real estate taxes.

#### **Article IX**

#### Section 901 Reservation of All Rights and Powers

The City reserves the right by ordinance or resolution to establish any reasonable regulations for the convenience, safety, health and protection of its inhabitants under its police powers, consistent with state and federal law. The rights herein granted are subject to the exercise of such police powers as the same now are or may hereafter be conferred upon the City. Without limitation as to the generality of the foregoing the City reserves the full scope of its power to require by ordinance substitution of underground service for overhead service, or the transfer of overhead service from the front to the rear of property whenever reasonable in all areas in the City and with such contributions or at such rates as may be allowed by law.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, nothing herein shall be construed to extend, limit or otherwise modify the authority of the City preserved under Sections 253 (b) and (c) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. Nothing herein shall be construed to limit, modify, abridge or extend the rights of the Company under the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

#### Section 902 Severability

If any portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

#### Article X

#### Section 1001 Maintenance Obligation

The Company will maintain the poles, wires, cable, conduits, lines, manholes, equipment and other Facilities it owns within the City's PROW in good order and operating condition throughout the term of the franchise granted by this Ordinance.

#### Section 1002 Tree Trimming

Should the Company install any overhead lines, it shall have the authority to trim trees upon or overhanging the streets, alleys, walkways or Public Rights-of-Way to prevent the branches of such trees from interfering with its lines or other Facilities. However, all such trimmings shall be performed in a safe and orderly manner under the general direction of the Director of Public Works or his or her designee and in compliance with the pruning standards of the National Arborists Association as currently in effect.

#### **Article XI**

#### Section 1101 Initial Term of Telecommunications Franchise

The term of the franchise granted by this Ordinance shall be for a period of five (5) years from the effective date of this Ordinance.

#### Section 1102 Application for New Telecommunications Franchise

If the Company wishes to maintain its equipment within the City and to continue the operation of the system beyond the term of the franchise granted by this Ordinance, it shall give written notice to the City at least one hundred twenty (120) days before expiration of the franchise granted by this Ordinance, stating that it wishes to apply for a new franchise. Such application shall include a report of the location of the Facilities owned by the Company within the City's PROW, and a statement as to whether the Company has complied with the provisions of this Ordinance.

# Section 1103 Operation of Facilities Owned by the Company While Renewal is Pending

Upon a timely request by the Company prior to the expiration of its initial franchise, the Company shall be permitted to continue operations of the Facilities owned by the Company

within the City under the terms of the franchise granted by this Ordinance until the City acts. Nothing herein shall be construed to grant the Company a perpetual franchise interest.

#### **Article XII**

#### Section 1201 Notice

All notices, except for in cases of emergencies, required pursuant to the franchise granted by this Ordinance shall be in writing and shall be mailed or delivered to the following address:

To the Company: To the City:

City of Charlottesville Attn: City Manager 605 East Main Street Charlottesville, VA 22902

With a copy to: With a copy to:

S. Craig Brown, City Attorney City Attorney's Office P.O. Box 911 Charlottesville, VA 22902

All correspondences shall be by registered mail, certified mail or regular mail with return receipt requested; and shall be deemed delivered when received or refused by the addressee. Each Party may change its address above by like notice.

#### Section 1202 Emergency Notification

Notices required pursuant to Section 303.2 shall be made orally and by facsimile to the following:

To the Company:

To the City:

Gas Dispatchers (434) 970-3800 (office) Emergency (434) 293-9164 (leaks) (434) 970-3817 (facsimile)

Director of Public Works (434) 970-3301 (office) (434) 970-3817 (facsimile)

#### Section 1203 Registration of Data

The Company, including any subleasee or assigns, must keep on record with the City the following information:

- (a) Name, address and e-mail address if applicable, and telephone and facsimile numbers;
- (b) Name, address and e-mail address if applicable, and telephone and facsimile numbers of a local representative that is available for consultation at all times. This information must include how to contact the local representative in an emergency; and
- (c) A certificate of insurance as required under Article VI, Section 603 of this telecommunications franchise, and a copy of the insurance policy.

The Company shall keep update all of the above information with the City within fifteen (15) days following its knowledge of any change.

#### **Article XIII**

#### Section 1301 Termination of Telecommunications Franchise

The franchise granted by this Ordinance may be terminated:

- (a) by the Company, at its election and without cause, by written notice to the City at least sixty (60) days prior to the effective date of such termination; or
- (b) by either the Company or the City, after thirty (30) days written notice to the other party of the occurrence or existence of a default of the franchise granted by this

Ordinance, if the defaulting party fails to cure or commence good faith efforts to cure, such default within sixty (60) days after delivery of such notice.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section, the terms and conditions of the franchise granted by this Ordinance pertaining to indemnification shall survive a termination under this Section.

#### **Article XIV**

#### Section 1401 Removal of Facilities from the Public Rights-of-Way

The Company shall remove all Facilities owned by the Company from the streets, alleys and public places of the City at the expense of the Company within six (6) months after the termination, abandonment, or expiration of this franchise granted by this Ordinance, or by such reasonable time to be prescribed by the City Council, whichever is later. No such removal will be required while any renewal requests as provided for in Section 1102 and Section 1103, are pending before the City. If such renewal request is denied, the six (6) month period provided above shall commence on the date of denial or expiration, whichever is later. The City reserves the right to waive this requirement, as provided for in Section 1402 herein. The City shall grant the Company access to the Public Rights-of-Way in order to remove its telecommunications Facilities owned by the Company pursuant to this paragraph.

## Section 1402 Abandonment of Facilities Owned by the Company in the Public Rights-of-Way

The telecommunications Facilities owned by the Company may be abandoned without removal upon request by the Company and approval by the City. This Section survives the expiration or termination of this franchise granted by this Ordinance.

#### **Article XV**

#### SECTION 1501 Prior Written Consent for Assignment

The franchise granted by this Ordinance shall not be assigned or transferred without the expressed written approval of the City, which shall not be unreasonably or discriminatorily conditioned, withheld or delayed.

In addition, the City agrees that nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to require Company to obtain approval from the City in order to lease any Facilities owned by the Company or any portion thereof in, on, or above the PROW, or grant an indefeasible right of use ("IRU") in the Facilities owned by the Company, or any portion thereof, to any entity or person. The lease or grant of an IRU in such Facilities owned by the Company, or any portion or combination thereof,

shall not be construed as the assignment or transfer of any franchise rights granted under this Ordinance.

#### Section 1502 Successors and Assigns

Notwithstanding Section 1501, the Company may assign, transfer, or sublet its rights, without the consent of the City, to any person or entity that controls, is controlled by or is under common control with the Company, any company or entity with which or into which the Company may merge or consolidate, to any lender of the Company provided the City is advised of the action prior to enactment. Any successor(s) of the Company shall be entitled to all rights and privileges of this franchise granted by this Ordinance and shall be subject to all the provisions, obligations, stipulations and penalties herein prescribed.

#### **Article XVI**

#### Section 1601 Nonexclusive Franchise

Nothing in the franchise granted by this Ordinance shall be construed to mean that this is an exclusive franchise, as the City Council reserves the right to grant additional telecommunications franchises to other parties.

#### **Article XVII**

#### Section 1701 All Waivers in Writing and Executed by the Parties

Subject to the foregoing, any waiver of the franchise granted by this Ordinance or any of its provisions shall be effective and binding upon the Parties only if it is made in writing and duly signed by the Parties.

#### Section 1702 No Constructive Waiver Recognized

If either Party fails to enforce any right or remedy available under the franchise granted by this Ordinance, that failure shall not be construed as a waiver of any right or remedy with respect to any breach or failure by the other Party. Nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of any rights, privileges or obligations of the City or the Company, nor constitute a waiver of any remedies available at equity or at law.

#### **Article XVIII**

#### Section 1801 No Discrimination

The Company's rights, privileges and obligations under the franchise granted by this Ordinance shall be no less favorable than those granted by the City to and shall not be interpreted by the City in a less favorable manner with respect to any other similarly situated entity or person or user of the City's Public Rights-of-Way.

#### **Article XIX**

#### Section 1901 Force Majeure

Neither the Company nor the City shall be liable for any delay or failure in performance of any part of the franchise granted by this Ordinance from any cause beyond its control and without its fault or negligence including, without limitation, acts of nature, acts of civil or military authority, government regulations embargoes, epidemics, terrorist acts, riots insurrections, fires, explosions, earthquakes, nuclear accidents, floods, work stoppages, equipment failure, power blackouts, volcanic action, other major environmental disturbances, or unusually severe weather conditions.

#### **Article XX**

#### Section 2001 Effective Date

This Ordinance shall	l be effective upon its pa	ssage.	
Adopted by the Coun	ncil of the City of Charlo	ottesville on the day of	, 2017.
		Clerk of Council	
ACCEPTED: This Fr	anchise is accepted, and wo	e agree to be bound by its terms and condition	ons.
		CENTRAL TELEPHONE COMPANY VIRGINIA D/B/A/ CENTURYLINK	Y OF
Date:	, 2016	By:	
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# AN ORDINANCE

# GRANTING A TELECOMMUNICATIONS FRANCHISE TO FIBERLIGHT OF VIRGINIA, LLC, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS TO USE THE STREETS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES OF THE CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA FOR ITS POLE, WIRES, CONDUITS, CABLES AND FIXTURES, FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, that **FiberLight of Virginia, LLC** (the "Company"), its successors and assigns, is hereby granted a telecommunications franchise for a period of five (5) years from the effective date hereof be and is hereby authorized and empowered to erect, maintain and operate certain telephone lines and associated equipment, including posts, poles, cables, wires and all other necessary overhead or underground apparatus and associated equipment on, over, along, in, under and through the streets, alleys, highways and other public places of the City of Charlottesville, Virginia (the "City") as its business may from time to time require; provided that:

Approved by Council February 21, 2017

#### ARTICLE I

# **SECTION 101 PURPOSE AND SCOPE**

Acting Clerk of Council

To provide for the health, safety and welfare of its citizens and to ensure the integrity of its roads and streets and the appropriate use of the Public Rights-of-Way, the City strives to keep the right-of-way under its jurisdiction in a state of good repair and free from unnecessary encumbrances.

Accordingly, the City hereby enacts this Ordinance relating to a telecommunications right-of-way franchise and administration. This Ordinance imposes regulation on the placement and maintenance of Facilities and equipment owned by the Company currently within the City's Public Rights-of-Way or to be placed therein at some future time. The Ordinance is intended to complement, and not replace, the regulatory roles of both state and federal agencies. Under this Ordinance, when excavating and obstructing the Public Rights-of-Way, the Company will bear financial responsibility for their work to the extent provided herein. Finally, this Ordinance provides for recovery of the City's reasonable out-of-pocket costs related to the Company's use of the Public Rights-of-Way, subject to the terms and conditions herein.

# SECTION 102 AUTHORITY TO MANAGE THE RIGHT OF WAY

This Ordinance granting a telecommunications franchise is created to manage and regulate the Company's use of the City's Public Rights-of-Way along city roads pursuant to the authority granted to the City under Sections 15.2-2015, 56-460, and 56-462(A) of the Virginia Code and other applicable state and federal statutory, administrative and common law.

This Ordinance and any right, privilege or obligation of the City or Company hereunder, shall be interpreted consistently with state and federal statutory, administrative and common law, and such statutory, administrative or common law shall govern in the case of conflict. This Ordinance shall not be interpreted to limit the regulatory and police powers of the City to adopt and enforce other general ordinances necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public.

#### **SECTION 103 DEFINITIONS**

- **103.1** CITY means the City of Charlottesville, Virginia, a municipal corporation.
- **103.2** COMPANY means FiberLight of Virginia, LLC, including its successors and assigns.
- **103.3 DIRECTOR** means the Director of Public Works for the City of Charlottesville.
- **103.4 FACILITY** means any tangible asset in the Public Rights-of-Way required to provide utility service, which includes but is not limited to; cable television, electric, natural gas, telecommunications, water, sanitary sewer and storm sewer services.
- **103.5 PATCH** means a method of pavement replacement that is temporary in nature.
- **103.6 PAVEMENT** means any type of improved surface that is within the Public Rights-of-Way including but not limited to any improved surface constructed with bricks, pavers, bituminous, concrete, aggregate, or gravel or some combination thereof.
- 103.7 PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY or PROW means the area on, below, or above a public roadway, highway, street, cartway, bicycle lane, and public sidewalk in which the City has an interest, including other dedicated rights-of-way for travel purposes and utility easements of the City, paved or otherwise. This definition does not include a state highway system regulated pursuant to the direction of the Commonwealth Transportation Board.

#### **ARTICLE II**

#### SECTION 201 INITIAL INSTALLATION

The initial installation of equipment, lines, cables or other Facilities by the Company shall be a mixture of overhead and underground in the Public Rights-of-Way as depicted in Exhibit A, attached hereto, and as may have been or may hereafter be modified, and incorporated by reference.

# **SECTION 202 SUBSEQUENT INSTALLATION**

**202.1 SUBSEQUENT INSTALLATION MADE PURSUANT TO AN APPROVED PROW PLAN:**Additional Facilities installed within the PROW may be placed overhead or underground pursuant to an approved request by the Company made pursuant to Article III, and in accordance with such generally applicable ordinances or regulations governing such

installations that have been adopted by the City from time to time.

- **202.2 GENERAL PREFERENCE FOR UNDERGROUND FACILITIES:** As a matter of policy, the City prefers that the installation of any Facility within the PROW occur underground. Notwithstanding this preference, the City recognizes that in some circumstances the placement of Facilities underground may not be appropriate. Any additional installation of lines, cable, equipment or other Facilities shall be underground unless it shall be determined by the Director, pursuant to Article III, that it is not feasible to do so.
- **202.3 INSTALLATION OF OVERHEAD FACILITIES:** Where a subsequent PROW plan is approved for overhead installation, the Company shall use its existing Facilities, or those of another utility where available. If the PROW plan calls for overhead installation and existing Facilities cannot accommodate the proposed installation, the Company will clearly indicate in the PROW plan its intended placement of new Facilities for the Director's review and consideration pursuant to Article III.
- **202.4 FUTURE ORDINANCES**: Nothing herein shall be construed to limit the authority of the city to adopt an ordinance that will restrict the placement of overhead lines for all utilities using the PROW within a defined area of the City.
- 202.5 CONDITIONS FOR RELOCATING UNDERGROUND: The Company agrees that if, at some future time, the telephone and other utility lines on the posts, poles, and other overhead apparatus upon which the Company has placed some or all of its Facilities in the City's PROWs are relocated underground, the Company will also, at such time, relocate its Facilities on those posts, poles, and other overhead apparatus underground at its expense. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the City shall reimburse Company for any such relocation expense if such reimbursement is required by Section 56-468.2 of the Code of Virginia, or other applicable law.

# **SECTION 203 INSPECTION BY THE CITY**

The Company shall make the work-site available to the City and to all others as authorized by law for inspection at all reasonable times, during the execution of, and upon completion of, all work conducted pursuant to this Ordinance.

# SECTION 204 AUTHORITY OF THE CITY TO ORDER CESSATION OF EXCAVATION

At the time of inspection, or any other time as necessary, the City may order the immediate cessation and correction of any work within the Public Rights-of-Way which poses a serious threat to the life, health, safety or well being of the public.

# SECTION 205 LOCATION OF POSTS, POLES, CABLES AND CONDUITS

In general, all posts, poles, wires, cables and conduits which the Company places within the Public Rights-of-Way pursuant to this Ordinance shall in no way permanently obstruct or interfere with public travel or the ordinary use of, or the safety and convenience of persons traveling through, on, or over, the Public Rights-of-Way within the City of Charlottesville.

#### SECTION 206 OBSTRUCTION OF THE PROW

Generally, any obstruction of the PROW is limited to the manner clearly specified within an approved PROW plan.

- approved PROW plan shall be promptly removed by the Company upon receipt of notice from the City. The City's notice of the Obstruction will include a specified reasonable amount of time determined by the Director for the Company's removal of the obstruction, given the location of the obstruction and its potential for an adverse effect on the public's safety and the public's use of the PROW. If the Company has not removed its obstruction from the PROW within the time designated within the notice, the City, at its election, will make such removal and the Company shall pay to the City its reasonable costs within thirty (30) days of billing accompanied by an itemized statement of the City's reasonable costs. If payment is not received by the City within the thirty (30) day period, the City Attorney may bring an action to recover the reasonable costs of the removal and reasonable attorney's fees in a court of competent jurisdiction pursuant to Section 56-467 of the Virginia Code. Reasonable costs may include, but are not limited to administrative overhead, mobilization, material, labor, and equipment related to removing the obstruction.
- **206.2 NO OBSTRUCTION OF WATER:** The Company shall not obstruct the PROW in a manner that interferes with the natural free and clear passage of water through the gutters, culverts, ditches tiles or other waterway.
- **206.3 PARKING, LOADING AND UNLOADING OF VEHICLES SHALL NOT OBSTRUCT THE PROW:** Private vehicles of those doing work for the Company in the PROW must be parked in a manner that conforms to the City's applicable parking regulations. The loading or unloading of trucks must be done in a manner that will not obstruct normal traffic within the PROW, or jeopardize the safety of the public who use the PROW.

# **ARTICLE III**

#### SECTION 301 ADMINISTRATION OF THE PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

The Director is the principal City official responsible for the administration of this Ordinance granting a telecommunications franchise to the Company and any of its PROW Plans. The Director may delegate any or all of the duties hereunder to an authorized representative.

# SECTION 302 SUBMISSION OF PROW PLAN

At least thirty (30) days before beginning any installation, removal or relocation of underground or overhead Facilities, the Company shall submit detailed plans of the proposed action to the Director for his or her review and approval, which approval shall not unreasonably be withheld, conditioned, or delayed.

## SECTION 303 GOOD CAUSE EXCEPTION

- **303.1 WAIVER:** The Director, at his or her sole judgment, is authorized to waive the thirty (30) day requirement in Section 302 for good cause shown.
- **303.2 EMERGENCY WORK:** The Company shall immediately notify the Director of any event regarding its facilities that it considers to be an emergency. The Company will proceed to take whatever actions are necessary to respond to the emergency, or as directed by the Director.

If the City becomes aware of an emergency regarding the Company's facilities, the City will attempt to contact the Company's emergency representative as indicated in Section 1202. In any event, the City shall take whatever action it deemed necessary by the Director to make an appropriate and reasonable response to the emergency. The costs associated with the City's respond shall be borne by the person whose facilities occasioned the emergency.

# SECTION 304 DECISION ON PROW PLAN BY THE DIRECTOR

- **304.1 DECISION:** The Director, or his or her authorized representative, shall, within thirty (30) days, either approve the Company's plans for proposed action as described in Section 302 or inform the Company of the reasons for disapproval. The Company shall designate a responsible contact person with whom officials of the Department of Public Works can communicate on all matters relating to equipment installation and maintenance.
- **304.2 APPEAL:** Upon written request within thirty (30) days of the Director's decision, the Company may have the denial of a PROW Plan reviewed by the City Manager. The City Manager will schedule its review of the Director's decision within forty-five (45) days of receipt of such a request. A decision by the City Manager will be in writing and supported by written findings establishing the reasonableness of its decision.

# **SECTION 305 MAPPING DATA**

Upon completion of each project within the Public Rights-of-Way pursuant to this Ordinance, the Company shall provide to the City such information necessary to maintain its records, including but not limited to:

- (a) location and elevation of the mains, cables, conduits, switches, and related equipment and other Facilities owned by the Company located in the PROW, with the location based on (i) offsets from property lines, distances from the centerline of the Public Rights-of-Way, and curb lines; (ii) coordinates derived from the coordinate system being used by the City; or (iii) any other system agreed upon by the Company and the City;
- (b) the outer dimensions of such Facilities; and
- (c) a description of above ground appurtenances.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

# SECTION 401 COMPLIANCE WITH ALL LAW AND REGULATIONS

Obtaining this telecommunications franchise shall in no way relieve the Company of its duty to obtain all other necessary permits, licenses, and authority and to pay all fees required by any applicable state or federal rule, law or regulation. The Company shall comply with and fulfill all generally applicable laws and regulations, including ordinances, regulations and requirements of the City, regarding excavations and any other work in or affecting the Public Rights-of-Way. The Company shall perform all work in conformance with all applicable codes and established rules and regulations, and it is responsible for all work conducted by the Company, another entity or person acting on its behalf pursuant to this Ordinance in the Public Rights-of-Way.

#### **ARTICLE V**

# SECTION 501 RELOCATION OF COMPANY FACILITIES WITHIN THE PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF WAY

Upon written notice from the Director of a planned and authorized improvement or alteration of City sidewalks, streets or other property, or of a proposed relocation of any City-owned utilities that necessitate relocation of some or all of the Facilities owned by the Company and lines to accommodate same, the Company shall relocate at its own expense any such Facilities within one hundred eighty (180) days of receipt of the notice. At Company's request, the city may consent to a longer period, such consent not to be unreasonably or discriminatorily withheld, conditioned or delayed. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the City shall reimburse Company for any such relocation expense if such reimbursement is required by Section 56-468.2 of the Code of Virginia, or other applicable law.

# SECTION 502 RIGHTS-OF WAY PATCHING AND RESTORATION

- **502.1 RESTORATION STANDARD:** Where the Company disturbs or damages the Public Rights-of-Way, the Director shall have the authority to determine the manner and extent of the restoration of the Public Rights-of-Way, and may do so in written procedures of general application or on a case-by-case basis. In exercising this authority, the Director will consult with any state or federal standards for rights-of-way restoration and shall be further guided by the following considerations:
  - (a) the number, size, depth and duration of the excavations, disruptions or damage to the Public Rights-of-Way;
  - (b) the traffic volume carried by the Public Rights-of-Way; the character of the neighborhood surrounding the right-of-way;
  - (c) the pre-excavation condition of the Public Rights-of-Way and its remaining life expectancy;
  - (d) the relative cost of the method of restoration to the Company balanced against the prevention of an accelerated deterioration of the right-of-way resulting from the excavation, disturbance or damage to the Public Rights-of-Way; and
  - (e) the likelihood that the particular method of restoration would be effective in slowing the depreciation of the Public Rights-of-Way that would otherwise take place.
- **502.2 TEMPORARY SURFACING:** The Company shall perform temporary surfacing patching and restoration including, backfill, compaction, and landscaping according to standards determined by, and with the materials determined by, the Director.
- **502.3 TIMING:** After any excavation by the Company pursuant to this Ordinance, the patching and restoration of the Public Rights-of-Way must be completed promptly and in a manner determined by the Director.
- 502.4 GUARANTEES: The Company guarantees its restoration work and shall maintain it for twenty-four (24) months following its completion. The previous statement notwithstanding, the Company will guarantee and maintain plantings and turf for twelve (12) months. During these maintenance periods, the Company shall, upon notification by the City, correct all restoration work to the extent necessary, using the method determined by the Director. Such work shall be completed after receipt of notice from the Director, within a reasonably prompt period, with consideration given for days during which work cannot be done because of circumstances constituting force majeure. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company's guarantees set forth hereunder concerning restoration and maintenance, shall not apply to the extent another company, franchisee, licensee, permittee, other entity or person, or the City disturbs or damages the same area, or a portion thereof, of the Public Rights-of-Way.

- **502.5 DUTY TO CORRECT DEFECTS:** The Company shall correct defects in patching, or restoration performed by it or its agents. Upon notification from the City, the Company shall correct all restoration work to the extent necessary, using the method determined by the Director. Such work shall be completed after receipt of the notice from the Director within a reasonably prompt period, with consideration given for days during which work cannot be done because of circumstances constituting force majeure.
- **502.6 FAILURE TO RESTORE:** If the Company fails to restore the Public Rights-of-Way in the manner and to the condition required by the Director pursuant to Section 502.5, or fails to satisfactorily and timely complete all restoration required by the Director pursuant to the foregoing, the City shall notify the Company in writing of the specific alleged failure or failures and shall allow the Company at least ten (10) days from receipt of the notice to cure the failure or failures, or to respond with a plan to cure. In the event that the Company fails to cure, or fails to respond to the City's notice as provided above, the City may, at its election, perform the necessary work and the Company shall pay to the City its reasonable costs for such restoration within thirty (30) days of billing accompanied by an itemized statement of the City's reasonable costs. If payment is not received by the City within the thirty (30) day period, the City Attorney may bring an action to recover the reasonable costs of the restoration and reasonable attorney's fees in a court of competent jurisdiction pursuant to Section 56-467 of the Virginia Code. Reasonable costs may include, but are not limited to, administrative overhead, mobilization, material, labor, and equipment related to such restoration.
- 502.7 DAMAGE TO OTHER FACILITIES WITHIN THE PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY: The Company shall be responsible for the cost of repairing any Facilities existing within the Public Rights-of-Way that it or the Facilities owned by the Company damage. If the Company damages the City's Facilities within the Public Rights-of-Way, such as, but not limited to, culverts, road surfaces, curbs and gutters, or tile lines, the Company shall correct the damage within a prompt period after receiving written notification from the City. If the Company does not correct the City's damaged Facilities pursuant to the foregoing, the City may make such repairs as necessary and charge all of the reasonable, actual and documented costs of such repairs within thirty (30) days of billing accompanied by an itemized statement of the City's reasonable costs. If payment is not received by the City within such thirty (30) day period, the City Attorney may bring an action to recover the reasonable costs of the restoration and reasonable attorney's fees in a court of competent jurisdiction pursuant to Section 56-467 of the Virginia Code. Reasonable costs may include, but are not limited to, administrative overhead, mobilization, material, labor, and equipment related to such repair.
- **502.8 DIRECTOR'S STANDARD:** All determinations to be made by the Director with respect to the manner and extent of restoration, patching, repairing and similar activities under the franchise granted by this Ordinance, shall be reasonable and shall not be unreasonably conditioned, withheld, or delayed. The Company may request additional time to complete restoration, patching, repair, or other similar work as required under the franchise granted by this Ordinance, and the Director shall not unreasonably withhold, condition, or delay consent to such requests.

# **ARTICLE VI**

# SECTION 601 INDEMNIFICATION AND LIABILITY

- **601.1 SCOPE OF INDEMNIFICATION:** Subject to the following, the Company agrees and binds itself to indemnify, keep and hold the City council members, officials and its employees free and harmless from liability on account of injury or damage to persons, firms or corporations or property growing out of or directly or indirectly resulting from:
  - (a) the Company's use of the streets, alleys, highways, sidewalks, rights-of-way and other public places of the City pursuant to the franchise granted by this Ordinance;
  - (b) the acquisition, erection, installation, maintenance, repair, operation and use of any poles, wires, cables, conduits, lines, manholes, facilities and equipment by the Company, its authorized agents, subagents, employees, contractors or subcontractors; or
  - (c) the exercise of any right granted by or under the franchise granted by this Ordinance or the failure, refusal or neglect of the Company to perform any duty imposed upon or assumed by the Company by or under the franchise granted by this Ordinance.
- (a), (b), (c) of Section 601.1, claiming such injury, death, or damage shall be brought or threatened against the City, either independently or jointly with the Company, the Company will defend, indemnify and hold the City harmless in any such suit, at the cost of the Company, provided that the City promptly provides written notice of the commencement or threatened commencement of the action or proceeding involving a claim in respect of which the City will seek indemnification hereunder. The Company shall be entitled to have sole control over the defense through counsel of its own choosing and over settlement of such claim provided that the Company must obtain the prior written approval of City of any settlement of such claims against the City, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed more than thirty (30) days. If, in such a suit, a final judgment is obtained against the City, either independently or jointly with the Company, the Company will pay the judgment, including all reasonable costs, and will hold the City harmless therefrom.

# **SECTION 602 WAIVER BY THE CITY**

The City waives the applicability of these indemnification provisions in their entirety if it:

(a) elects to conduct its own defense against such claim;

- (b) fails to give prompt notice to the Company of any such claim such that the Company's ability to defend against such claim is compromised;
- (c) denies approval of a settlement of such claim for which the Company seeks approval; or
- (d) fails to approve or deny a settlement of such claim within thirty (30) days of the Company seeking approval.

# **SECTION 603 INSURANCE**

- **603.1** The Company shall also maintain in force a comprehensive general liability policy in a form satisfactory to the City Attorney, which at minimum must provide:
  - (a) verification that an insurance policy has been issued to the Company by an insurance company licensed to do business in the State of Virginia, or a form of self insurance acceptable to the City Attorney;
  - (b) verification that the Company is insured against claims for personal injury, including death, as well as claims for property damage arising out of (i) the use and occupancy of the Public Rights-of-Way by the Company, its agents, employees and permittees, and (ii) placement and use of Facilities owned by the Company in the Public Rights-of-Way by the Company, its officers, agents, employees and permittees, including, but not limited to, protection against liability arising from completed operations, damage of underground Facilities and collapse of property;
  - (c) verification that the City Attorney will be notified thirty (30) days in advance of cancellation of the policy or material modification of a coverage term;
  - (d) verification that comprehensive liability coverage, automobile liability coverage, workers compensation and umbrella coverage established by the City Attorney in amounts sufficient to protect the City and the public and to carry out the purposes and policies of this Ordinance; and
  - (e) verification that the policy has a combined single limit coverage of not less than two million dollars (\$2,000,000).

The policy shall include the City as an additional insured party, and the Company shall provide the City Attorney with a certificate of such coverage before execution of this franchise.

**603.2** The Company shall also require similar indemnification and insurance coverage from any contractor working on its behalf in the public right-of-way.

# SECTION 604 NEGLIGENCE AND INTENTIONAL ACTS

Nothing herein contained shall be construed to render the Company liable for or obligated to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City, its agents, or employees, for the negligence or intentional acts of the City, its Council members, its agents or employees, or a permittee of the City.

# **ARTICLE VII**

# SECTION 701 GENERAL REQUIREMENT OF A PERFORMANCE BOND

Prior to the Effective Date of this Ordinance, the Company has deposited with the City a Performance Bond made payable to the city in the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000). The bond shall be written by a corporate surety acceptable to the City and authorized to do business in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Performance Bond shall be maintained at this amount through the term of this franchise.

# SECTION 702 CHANGED AMOUNT OF THE PERFORMANCE BOND

At any time during the Term, the City may, acting reasonably, require or permit the Company to change the amount of the Performance Bond if the City finds that new risk or other factors exist that reasonably necessitate or justify a change in the amount of the Performance Bond. Such new factors may include, but not be limited to, such matters as:

- (a) material changes in the net worth of the Company;
- (b) changes in the identity of the Company that would require the prior written consent of the City;
- (c) material changes in the amount and location of Facilities owned by the Company;
- (d) the Company's recent record of compliance with the terms and conditions of this Ordinance; and
- (e) material changes in the amount and nature of construction or other activities to be performed by the Company pursuant to this Ordinance.

#### SECTION 703 PURPOSE OF PERFORMANCE BOND

The Performance Bond shall serve as security for:

(a) the faithful performance by the Company of all terms, conditions and obligations of this Ordinance;

- (b) any expenditure, damage or loss incurred by the City occasioned by the Company's failure to comply with all rules, regulations, orders, permits and other directives of the City issued pursuant to this Ordinance;
- (c) payment of compensation required by this Ordinance;
- (d) the payment of premiums for the liability insurance required pursuant to this Ordinance;
- (e) the removal of Facilities owned by the Company from the Streets at the termination of the Ordinance, at the election of the City, pursuant to this Ordinance;
- (f) any loss or damage to the Streets or any property of the City during the installation, operation, upgrade, repair or removal of Facilities by the Company;
- (g) the payment of any other amounts that become due to the City pursuant to this Ordinance or law;
- (h) the timely renewal of any letter of credit that constitutes the Performance Bond; and
- (i) any other costs, loss or damage incurred by the City as a result of the Company's failure to perform its obligations pursuant to this Ordinance.

# SECTION 704 FEES OR PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE ORDINANCE

- **704.1 FEE OR PENALTY:** The Company shall be subject to a fee or a penalty for violation of this Ordinance as provided for in applicable law.
- 704.2 APPEAL: The Company may, upon written request within thirty (30) days of the City's decision to assess a fee or penalty and for reasons of good cause, ask the City to reconsider its imposition of a fee or penalty pursuant to this Ordinance unless another period is provided for in applicable law. The City shall schedule its review of such request to be held within forty-five (45) days of receipt of such request from the Company. The City's decision on the Company's appeal shall be in writing and supported by written findings establishing the reasonableness of the City's decision. During the pendency of the appeal before the City or any subsequent appeal thereafter, the Company shall place any such fee or penalty in an interest-bearing escrow account. Nothing herein shall limit the Company's right to challenge such assessment or the City's decision on appeal, in a court of competent jurisdiction.

#### **ARTICLE VIII**

# SECTION 801 COMPENSATION/PROW USE FEE.

The City reserves the right to impose at any time on the Company consistent with Section 253(c) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended:

- (a) a PROW Use Fee in accordance with Section 56-468.1(G) of the Code of Virginia, and/or
- (b) any other fee or payment that the City may lawfully impose for the occupation and use of the Streets.

The Company shall be obligated to remit the PROW Use Fee and any other lawful fee enacted by the City, so long as the City provides the Company and all other affected certificated providers of local exchange telephone service appropriate notice of the PROW Use Fee as required by Section 56-468.1(G) of the Code of Virginia. If the PROW Use Fee is eliminated, discontinued, preempted or otherwise is declared or becomes invalid, the Company and the City shall negotiate in good faith to determine fair and reasonable compensation to the City for use of the Streets by the Company for Telecommunications.

#### **SECTION 802 RESERVED**

# **SECTION 803 NO CREDITS OR DEDUCTIONS**

The compensation and other payments to be made pursuant to Article VIII: (a) shall not be deemed to be in the nature of a tax, and (b) except as may be otherwise provided by Section 56-468.1 of the Code of Virginia, shall be in addition to any and all taxes or other fees or charges that the Company shall be required to pay to the City or to any state or federal agency or authority, all of which shall be separate and distinct obligations of the Company.

# SECTION 804 REMITTANCE OF COMPENSATION/LATE PAYMENTS, INTEREST ON LATE PAYMENTS

(1) If any payment required by this Ordinance is not actually received by the City on or before the applicable date fixed in this Ordinance, or (2), in the event the City adopts an ordinance imposing a PROW Use Fee, if such Fee has been received by the Company from its customers, and has not been actually received by the City on or before the applicable date fixed in this Ordinance or thirty (30) days after receipt of the PROW Use Fee from its customers, whichever is later, then the Company shall pay interest thereon, to the extent permitted by law, from the due date to the date paid at a rate equal to the rate of interest then charged by the City for late payments of real estate taxes.

# **ARTICLE IX**

# SECTION 901 RESERVATION OF ALL RIGHTS AND POWERS

The City reserves the right by ordinance or resolution to establish any reasonable regulations for the convenience, safety, health and protection of its inhabitants under its police powers, consistent with state and federal law. The rights herein granted are subject to the exercise of such police powers as the same now are or may hereafter be conferred upon the City. Without

limitation as to the generality of the foregoing the City reserves the full scope of its power to require by ordinance substitution of underground service for overhead service, or the transfer of overhead service from the front to the rear of property whenever reasonable in all areas in the City and with such contributions or at such rates as may be allowed by law.

Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, nothing herein shall be construed to extend, limit or otherwise modify the authority of the City preserved under Sections 253 (b) and (c) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. Nothing herein shall be construed to limit, modify, abridge or extend the rights of the Company under the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

# **SECTION 902 SEVERABILITY**

If any portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

# **ARTICLE X**

#### SECTION 1001 MAINTENANCE OBLIGATION

The Company will maintain the poles, wires, cable, conduits, lines, manholes, equipment and other Facilities it owns within the City's PROW in good order and operating condition throughout the term of the franchise granted by this Ordinance.

# **SECTION 1002 TREE TRIMMING**

Should the Company install any overhead lines, it shall have the authority to trim trees upon or overhanging the streets, alleys, walkways or Public Rights-of-Way to prevent the branches of such trees from interfering with its lines or other Facilities. However, all such trimmings shall be performed in a safe and orderly manner under the general direction of the Director of Public Works or his or her designee and in compliance with the pruning standards of the National Arborists Association as currently in effect.

# **ARTICLE XI**

# SECTION 1101 INITIAL TERM OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS FRANCHISE

The term of the franchise granted by this Ordinance shall be for a period of five (5) years from the effective date of this Ordinance.

# SECTION 1102 APPLICATION FOR NEW TELECOMMUNICATIONS FRANCHISE

If the Company wishes to maintain its equipment within the City and to continue the operation of the system beyond the term of the franchise granted by this Ordinance, it shall give written notice to the City at least one hundred twenty (120) days before expiration of the franchise granted by this Ordinance, stating that it wishes to apply for a new franchise. Such application shall include a report of the location of the Facilities owned by the Company within the City's PROW, and a statement as to whether the Company has complied with the provisions of this Ordinance.

# SECTION 1103 OPERATION OF FACILITIES OWNED BY THE COMPANY WHILE RENEWAL IS PENDING

Upon a timely request by the Company prior to the expiration of its initial franchise, the Company shall be permitted to continue operations of the Facilities owned by the Company within the City under the terms of the franchise granted by this Ordinance until the City acts. Nothing herein shall be construed to grant the Company a perpetual franchise interest.

## **ARTICLE XII**

# **SECTION 1201 NOTICE**

All notices, except for in cases of emergencies, required pursuant to the franchise granted by this Ordinance shall be in writing and shall be mailed or delivered to the following address:

To the Company:

FiberLight of Virginia, LLC Attn: General Counsel 11700 Great Oaks Way, Suite 100 Alpharetta, Georgia 30022 To the City:

City of Charlottesville Attn: City Manager 605 East Main Street Charlottesville, VA 22902

**Copy to:** City of Charlottesville Attn: City Attorney 605 East Main Street Charlottesville, VA 22902

All correspondence shall be by registered mail, certified mail or regular mail with return receipt requested; and shall be deemed delivered when received or refused by the addressee. Each Party may change its address above by like notice.

#### **SECTION 1202 EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION**

Notices required pursuant to Section 303.2 shall be made orally and by facsimile to the following:

# To the Company:

The duty supervisor number for after hours/weekends/holidays: Duty Supervisor - 434-973-7951

Area Plant Supervisor for weekdays 7:30 to 5PM - 434-971-4307 Cell 434-872-3263 (Wayne Scupp)

Escalations to Area Operations Manager - Office 434-971-2539 Cell 434-962-3130 (Randy Hudson)

# To the City:

Gas Dispatchers
(434) 970-3800 (office)
Emergency (434)293-9164 (leaks)
(434) 970-3817 (facsimile)

Judith Mueller, Director of Public Works (434) 970-3301 (office) (434) 970-3817 (facsimile)

# **SECTION 1203 REGISTRATION OF DATA**

The Company, including any subleasee or assigns, must keep on record with the City the following information:

- (a) Name, address and e-mail address if applicable, and telephone and facsimile numbers:
- (b) Name, address and e-mail address if applicable, and telephone and facsimile numbers of a local representative that is available for consultation at all times. This information must include how to contact the local representative in an emergency; and
- (c) A certificate of insurance as required under Article VI, Section 603 of this telecommunications franchise, and upon prior request a copy of the insurance policy.

The Company shall update all of the above information with the City within fifteen (15) days following its knowledge of any change.

## **ARTICLE XIII**

# SECTION 1301 TERMINATION OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS FRANCHISE

The franchise granted by this Ordinance may be terminated:

- (a) by the Company, at its election and without cause, by written notice to the City at least sixty (60) days prior to the effective date of such termination; or
- (b) by either the Company or the City, after thirty (30) days written notice to the other party of the occurrence or existence of a default of the franchise granted by this Ordinance, if the defaulting party fails to cure or commence good faith efforts to cure, such default within sixty (60) days after delivery of such notice.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section, the terms and conditions of the franchise granted by this Ordinance pertaining to indemnification shall survive a termination under this Section.

#### **ARTICLE XIV**

# SECTION 1401 REMOVAL OF FACILITIES FROM THE PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY

The Company shall remove all Facilities owned by the Company from the streets, alleys and public places of the City at the expense of the Company within six (6) months after the termination, abandonment, or expiration of this franchise granted by this Ordinance, or by such reasonable time to be prescribed by the City Council, whichever is later. No such removal will be required while any renewal requests as provided for in Section 1102 and Section 1103, are pending before the City. If such renewal request is denied, the six (6) month period provided above shall commence on the date of denial or expiration, whichever is later. The City reserves the right to waive this requirement, as provided for in Section 1402 herein. The City shall grant the Company access to the Public Rights-of-Way in order to remove its telecommunications Facilities owned by the Company pursuant to this paragraph.

# SECTION 1402 ABANDONMENT OF FACILITIES OWNED BY THE COMPANY IN THE PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY

The telecommunications Facilities owned by the Company may be abandoned without removal upon request by the Company and approval by the City. This Section survives the expiration or termination of this franchise granted by this Ordinance.

#### **ARTICLE XV**

## SECTION 1501 PRIOR WRITTEN CONSENT FOR ASSIGNMENT

The franchise granted by this Ordinance shall not be assigned or transferred without the expressed written approval of the City, which shall not be unreasonably or discriminatorily conditioned, withheld or delayed.

In addition, the City agrees that nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to require Company

to obtain approval from the City in order to lease any Facilities owned by the Company or any portion thereof in, on, or above the PROW, or grant an indefeasible right of use ("IRU") in the Facilities owned by the Company, or any portion thereof, to any entity or person. The lease or grant of an IRU in such Facilities owned by the Company, or any portion or combination thereof, shall not be construed as the assignment or transfer of any franchise rights granted under this Ordinance.

#### **SECTION 1502 SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS**

Notwithstanding Section 1501, the Company may assign, transfer, or sublet its rights, without the consent of the City, to any person or entity that controls, is controlled by or is under common control with the Company, any company or entity with which or into which the Company may merge or consolidate, to any lender of the Company provided the City is advised of the action prior to enactment. Any successor(s) of the Company shall be entitled to all rights and privileges of this franchise granted by this Ordinance and shall be subject to all the provisions, obligations, stipulations and penalties herein prescribed.

#### **ARTICLE XVI**

# SECTION 1601 NONEXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE

Nothing in the franchise granted by this Ordinance shall be construed to mean that this is an exclusive franchise, as the City Council reserves the right to grant additional telecommunications franchises to other parties.

#### **ARTICLE XVII**

# SECTION 1701 ALL WAIVERS IN WRITING AND EXECUTED BY THE PARTIES

Subject to the foregoing, any waiver of the franchise granted by this Ordinance or any of its provisions shall be effective and binding upon the Parties only if it is made in writing and duly signed by the Parties.

# SECTION 1702 NO CONSTRUCTIVE WAIVER RECOGNIZED

If either Party fails to enforce any right or remedy available under the franchise granted by this Ordinance, that failure shall not be construed as a waiver of any right or remedy with respect to any breach or failure by the other Party. Nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver of any rights, privileges or obligations of the City or the Company, nor constitute a waiver of any remedies available at equity or at law.

# **ARTICLE XVIII**

# **SECTION 1801 NO DISCRIMINATION**

The Company's rights, privileges and obligations under the franchise granted by this Ordinance shall be no less favorable than those granted by the City to and shall not be interpreted by the City in a less favorable manner with respect to any other similarly situated entity or person or user of the City's Public Rights-of-Way.

#### **ARTICLE XIX**

# **SECTION 1901 FORCE MAJEURE**

Neither the Company nor the City shall be liable for any delay or failure in performance of any part of the franchise granted by this Ordinance from any cause beyond its control and without its fault or negligence including, without limitation, acts of nature, acts of civil or military authority, government regulations, embargoes, epidemics, terrorist acts, riots insurrections, fires, explosions, earthquakes, nuclear accidents, floods, work stoppages, equipment failure, power blackouts, volcanic action, other major environmental disturbances, or unusually severe weather conditions.

# **ARTICLE XX**

# **SECTION 2001 EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance shall be effective upon its passage.

Adopted by the Council of the City of Charle	ottesville on the day of, 20	
	, Clerk of Council	
ACCEPTED: This franchise is accepted, and	d we agree to be bound by its terms and conditions.	
	FIBERLIGHT OF VIRGINIA, LLC	
	Ву	
	Its	

Date