

# M O T I O N

Following the enactment in 2006 of California's Digital Infrastructure and Video Competition Act codified in California's Public Utilities Code Section 5800, et. seq., the City Council determined in 2008, that it could not financially sustain Public Access studios to City residents.


The City maintains and operates, directly or by grant of its authority under state and federal law, four Public, Educational and Governmental Access channels available on all of the City's cable/video TV systems including LA CityView, Channel 35, LA36 operated by the Los Angeles Cable Access Television Corporation, a non-profit, UCTV operated by the University of California and a billboard public service announcement channel operated by Channel 35 since 2009.

While the Council acted that the electronic billboard public service announcement channel was, "...to be moved to a public access channel as soon as possible when funding is available." (CF 06-2818), ten years have now passed and it is highly unlikely that the City can now, or in the future, afford and continue to sustain a public access channel that would include public access studios for City residents due to the high costs of funding such an operation.

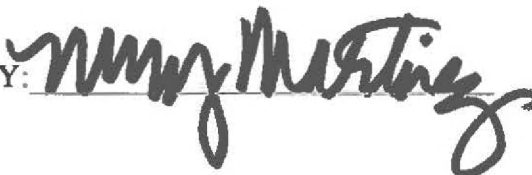
LA CityView, Channel 35, and the Information Technology Agency that it operates under, are now requesting that LA CityView, Channel 35 be granted the use and operations of the public access billboard channel for additional cable-casting and streaming of Governmental Access programming content, including additional City Commission meetings and City events and to provide City government information that would beneficially add to City residents viewing experience and to serve those residents who have subscribe to the City's cable/video TV operators or utilize the Internet to view such programs.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council rescind its action of December 3, 2008 (CF 06-2818) that the public access channel was to be operated as an electronic billboard channel until funding was available for a public access channel, AND hereby authorize LA CityView, Channel 35, and the Information Technology Agency to operate and maintain the City's electronic billboard channel, consistent with policies and guidelines established by the City.

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