

**City of Milpitas
Approved Minutes
Telecommunications Commission
October 18, 2010**

I. Call to Order & Roll Call:

Vice Chair D. Gupta called the meeting to order.

Members Present R. Shaw, I. Munir, D. Gupta, K. Bohan, N. Gupta, S. Bansal

I.S. Staff: B. Marion, E. Pasion

City Council: A. Gomez

Members Absent: A. Alcorn, H. Tran, W. Lam, S. Ahjua

II. Pledge of Allegiance:

The members of the Commission recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Announcements:

Staff reported that Chair Alcorn, Hai Tran and Sumeet Ahjua were excused from the meeting.

IV. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion to approve the agenda as submitted.

M/S S. Bansal / N. Gupta Ayes: 6

V. Approval of the Minutes:

September 20 minutes were reviewed by the members of the Telecom commission.

Motion to approve the minutes as submitted.

M/S S. Bansal / N. Gupta Ayes: 6

VI. Citizen's Forum:

No comments made for the record.

VII. New and Continued Business:

1. Globalstar Satellite Review 461 S. Milpitas Blvd.

Cindy Hom, with the City's Planning Department, provided an update to the Globalstar plans to install two low earth satellite dishes located at 461 South Milpitas Blvd. Globalstar hired a third party research firm to conduct a power density and radiation report. The report was to provide confidence and assurances to an adjoining business to that the two low earth satellite dishes are operating within FCC health and safety guidelines.

The Commission asked if there was sufficient data gathered to provide assurances to Magic Technologies of the overall operational use of the two satellite dishes. A representative with Magic Technologies stated that they were satisfied with the results of the independent power density and radiation report and had no further issues concerning the installation of the two satellite dishes.

The Commission asked if a copy of the report was available. Staff noted that a 48 page copy of the report would be emailed to the Commissioners and be added to the discussion of the Globalstar item.

The Commission concluded that there was satisfactory information and accepted the report.

Motion to note, receipt and file.

M/S N. Gupta / R. Shaw Ayes: 6

2. August and September Information Services Report

The commission received the monthly reports for August and September from the Information Services department. Staff noted it would provide a technology update to the Silicon Valley Unwired WiFi service. Staff reported during the month of August it had completed the installation of data and communications technology for the newly opened Barbara Lee Senior Center. Information Services staff had also completed the use of the building department's online permitting system. Staff has started the pilot testing of the online timecard program. City Hall, Police and Fire department personnel have been using the online timecard program. Staff will start testing the online timecard program with the Public Works and Recreation Services staff in late October. Staff reported that there was very positive feedback in using the online timecard program.

Recently, the City's finance department conducted an annual audit. Part of the finance audit involved a general security test of the City's data network. Staff was informed that the City's network passed with no major security breeches. Staff added that new geographical information services (GIS) mapping features and functions had been added to the City's website.

At the October 5th City Council meeting, Pacific Gas & Electric provided an update on the Smart Meter program being deployed in the Milpitas community. Information on the Smart Meter services from P.G.&E. has been added to the City's main webpage. P.G. &E. also provided an informational update to the natural gas pipelines that are located in Milpitas and their operational and security concerns. P.G. &E. reported it has provided maps and data of their natural gas pipeline network situated in Milpitas to the City's emergency services personnel. They also plan to be active in future emergency planning exercises as part of the Milpitas office of emergency services command center.

Finally, staff provided an updated to the Silicon Valley Unwired project. Staff reported that there has been modest growth in the usage of the free-use WiFi service. New wireless communications technology has recently been made available and the opportunity to upgrade the WiFi network is being reviewed. However, the cost associated with the new equipment may be a factor. Staff is reviewing options on funding this project.

Motion to note, receipt and file.

M/S

N. Gupta / S. Bansal

Ayes: 6

3. Round Table Discussion

Vice Chair D. Gupta reported that MCTV 26 is replaying the Milpitas Chamber of Commerce Candidates Forum and will be replaying the event at various days and times until Election Day. MCTV will also be presenting its own candidates review as part of the October programming. He also added that Comcast should be back at the November meeting to provide an update from the August meeting.

VIII. Adjournment of Meeting:

Meeting adjourned to November 15, 2010.