I. Call to Order & Roll Call:
Chair Albert Alcorn called the commission meeting to order.

Members Present: A. Alcorn, D. Gupta, W. Lam, , K. Bohan, H. Tran, I. Munir, S. Bansal

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

Members Absent: R. Shaw, N. Gupta, S. Ahuja,

Councilmember A. Gomez

II. Pledge of Allegiance: The members of the Commission recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Announcements: Staff noted the annual Form 700 document filing is being requested from the City Clerk’s office.

IV. Approval of the Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda as submitted.

M/S S. Bansal / D. Gupta  Ayes: 7

V. Approval of the Minutes: Commissioner Bansal noted that minutes should be corrected citing the nominations for Vice Chair was incorrect and that Dinesh Gupta was nominated and not Niranjan Gupta.

M/S W. Lam / H. Tran  Ayes: 7

VI. Citizen’s Forum: Mr. Erlindo Casenas, a new resident at Milpitas Town Center homes, noted that he was frustrated with the lack of service options for high speed internet services in Milpitas. He provided information to the commission regarding federal stimulus programs that may be of interest to the commission is establishing new competitive internet operators to do business in Milpitas.

VII. New and Continued Business:
1. AT&T Wireless 1676 N. Milpitas Blvd.

Staff introduced a request from AT&T wireless to install and operate wireless communications equipment on an existing rooftop at 1676 N. Milpitas Blvd. The wireless equipment would be situated on an existing rooftop and would be screened off to prevent any visual impacts that the installation exhibit. The commission asked of possible impact to the businesses located
at the shopping center. Planning staff and representatives from AT&T noted that the technology and the screening of the wireless equipment would have no impact on the local businesses in the shopping center. Chair Alcorn reiterated that the standard notification be placed at the building’s fire control panel regarding existing radiation hazards.

Motion to approve the application with the condition that proper signage and radiation notices are added to the building’s fire control panel.

M/S D. Gupta / S. Bansal Ayes: 7


Staff introduced a request from Clear Wire communications to install and operate wireless communications equipment on an existing rooftop at 1774 Clear Lake Avenue. The commission reviewed that application and requested additional information for item 11 of the telecom questionnaire. Adding that there was not sufficient information for the item being discussed. After additional discussion with the applicant and city staff it was determined that there would be no significant impacts with other competing wireless providers. However, the commission did request that a revised telecom questionnaire be submitted part of the final approval and that proper placard notification be added to the building’s fire control panel area stating existing radiation hazard in operation.

Motion to approve the application with the condition that a revised questionnaire be submitted and proper signage radiation notices are added to the building’s fire control panel.

M/S D. Gupta / H. Tran Ayes: 7


Staff introduced a request from Clear Wire communications to install and operate wireless communications equipment on an existing rooftop at 901 East Calaveras Blvd. The commission reviewed that submitted telecom questionnaire and again noted insufficient for item 11. Staff noted that existing equipment currently in place on the rooftop did not pose and major issues with the communications equipment being requested for installation.

Motion to approve the application with the condition that a revised questionnaire be submitted for final approval.

M/S D. Gupta / S. Bansal Ayes: 7

Vice Chair Gupta reported that the board was address the video server space issue noting that old programming will need to be off-loaded to provide additional space for new and future shows. AT&T U-Verse has activated the government and public access channels for Milpitas and now can be viewed throughout the bay area on the U-Verse service. MCTV board member H. Tran added that “Milpitas Magazine” show has been adding new programming on a regular basis. The show is produced by volunteer students from Ohlone College.

Motion to note receipt and file.

M/S S. Bansal / H. Tran Ayes: 7


Staff provided a revised summary of the proposed master plan presentation for the commission’s review. Staff added the history of the master plan document development and the involvement of the telecom commission’s role in providing direction and review through the numerous versions of the master plan.

Vice D. Gupta noted that the master plan document should have a plan that is thoroughly defined so that the city council will have a complete perspective of the telecom commission’s future goals. Chair Alcorn countered that a direct plan was not necessary that this time rather a proposal to plan for a plan was a better direction to take.

Chair Alcorn also noted that importance of the social networking developments, such as facebook and twitter, which could be considered as future programs in the master plan document. He note that the master plan is now at its mid-way through its evolution of a five year plan. Commissioner Bohan noted that the social networking developments must be of feasibility for it to work affectivity of the users of that program.

Chair Alcorn added that it was important to review the Information Services department future technical needs as part of the master plan document.

Commissioner Lam noted was the city’s telephone system also part of the master plan document review and that it should be added as part of the final presentation.

Staff noted that it would have the commission review the presentation at the March meeting for additional refinements and comments. Staff is planning to present the master plan update to the city council at the April 20 meeting.

Motion to note, receipt and file.

M/S D. Gupta / H. Tran Ayes: 7

Staff reported on the monthly activities for January 2010.

High included that activation of Milpitas PEG cable channels on channel 99 on AT&T U-Verse, updates and revisions to the city’s website, replacement and upgrades to numerous city operated cell phones, updates to the city’s anti-virus software programs, updates to the city’s building fee-schedule on the city’s website, improvements and updates to the fire department’s telestaff software program, and finally revisions to the city’s GIS maps.

Chair Alcorn noted that the GIS programs still maintained a locked data security for privacy concerns on the city GIS map. The Chair also noted that the city also offered job hosting links on the city’s website. Staff noted that it was linked through the city’s economic development webpage.

Motion to note, receipt and file.

M/S   W. Lam / H. Tran   Ayes:  7

7. Roundtable Discussion

Commissioner Bohan expressed his interest to pursue the Google RFI invitation to aid in the future development of a 1 gigabyte broadband data network. An ultra high-speed data internet service that would offer new development and services to businesses and consumers. He noted that it would change the existing delivery model and bring in a new era of competition for faster services if Google’s plan were ever implemented.

Staff noted that it was working on reviewing the Google document and it was also working with the city’s economic development manager to address several questions that document needed answers to. Google’s time frame for a response and submittal was also in short order. The submittal date to Google was Friday, March 26th. So city staff needed to have the document completed and delivered prior to the deadline date. It may be that Google is seeking only viable submittals with the March 26th deadline.

The commission agreed that its involvement in the completion of the plan would be minimal so that city staff could complete the document. Staff would give a given an update of its progress that the March 15th commission meeting.

Mr. Erlindo Casenas asked has the city considered that process of cloud computing to aid the speed and delivery of its data and internet services.

Commissioner Bohan noted that with a 1 gigabyte network it could support a local internet protocol television network that would provide downloadable programming to Milpitas consumers.

VIII. Adjournment of Meeting:

Meeting adjourned to March 15, 2010.