



**City of Rochester Hills
AGENDA SUMMARY
NON-FINANCIAL ITEMS**

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Legislative File No: 2005-0386 V2

TO: Mayor and City Council Members
FROM: Ed Anzek, Director of Planning and Development, ext. 2572
DATE: August 29, 2005
SUBJECT: ICCA/CMN Public Access Contract

REQUEST:

To consider the contract between ICCA and Community Media Network (CMN) and to provide direction to Jason Dale, the City's ICCA delegate, regarding the upcoming ICCA vote on said contract.

BACKGROUND:

At the July 6, 2005, meeting the City Council approved a Resolution that declared their support for Public Access (PA) Television. The Council further supported ICCA contracting with CMN to be the PA provider and the financing of the operations be accomplished by drawing down from their fund balance to meet the scope of services as proposed. This Resolution further called for a reduction in service, if necessary, and that once the fund balance was near the 25% level that the City Council will resume discussion of providing a funding level equal to that of the other participating communities (letter attached). The CMN recommendation was for each community to provide ½ of 1% of their PEG monies. The City of Rochester Hills instead requested that CMN, as the service provider, operate from fund balance rather than receive additional funding at this time.

The accompanying contract calls for those cities that chose to not provide additional funding to be deemed "Ineligible Members" and that all such communities and their citizens be denied the use of the services, equipment, and facilities.

It appears that the majority of communities that agreed to the ½ of 1% will endorse this contract. If the City of Rochester Hills would choose to participate, than the question of providing funding would be in order. The ½ of 1% would be equivalent to around \$57,000.

Also attached is a letter provided to the Mayor by Mr. J. Martin Brennan, Jr. requesting the City to approve the contract and reinstate the funding. Mr. Brennan was appointed by the City Council as their CMN representative in late 2004.

RECOMMENDATION:

Unless new information is provided staff would recommend denying the contract given the declaration of Rochester Hills as an "Ineligible Member".

RESOLUTION

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APPROVALS:	SIGNATURE	DATE
Department Review		
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