

RESOLUTION NO. 17-10642

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BILLINGS CITY COUNCIL
EXTENDING A CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT
WITH BRESNAN COMMUNICATIONS, LLC**

WHEREAS, Bresnan Communications, LLC ("Charter") currently holds a cable franchise ("Franchise") with the City of Billings, granted on June 9, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Charter's Franchise with the City of Billings expired on July 9, 2017;
and

WHEREAS, Charter has filed a request for renewal of the Franchise under Section 626 of the Cable Act, and Charter and the City of Billings have been engaged in informal renewal negotiations in accordance with Section 626(h) of the Cable Act; and

WHEREAS, the parties continue to reserve all rights under the formal procedures of Section 626 of the Cable Act, and do not waive any rights related thereto; and

WHEREAS, IT IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST TO EXTEND THE CURRENT Franchise for an additional period of time so that cable service to the public will not be interrupted.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Billings, Montana does hereby resolve that the Charter Franchise will be extended through October 9, 2017;
and

FURTHER, RESOLVES that execution of this extension shall not constitute a waiver of the City of Billings' or of Charter's respective rights regarding the Franchise, and that Charter shall not be required to send another request of renewal of the Franchise under Section 626 as a result of this extension.

APPROVED AND PASSED by the City Council of the City of Billings, this 10th day of July, 2017.



CITY OF BILLINGS:

BY: Thomas W. Hanel
Thomas W. Hanel, MAYOR

ATTEST:

BY: Denise R. Bohlman
Denise R. Bohlman, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Brent Brooks, City Attorney

Accepted this 2nd day of July, 2017.

Bresnan Communications, LLC

I/k/a Charter Communications

By:  _____

Name/Title: Paul Abbott/VP, Local Govt. Affairs & Franchising