

CITY OF HERMOSA BEACH
CABLE TELEVISION ADVISORY COMMISSION

Date: March 3, 2005

To: Cable Television Advisory Commission

From: Michael Earl, Staff Liaison

Subject: Verizon Communications Fiber Cable Upgrade and Video Programming Proposal

Attached is a memo from the City Manager regarding a proposal from Verizon Communications to upgrade their existing telephone systems by installing fiber optic cable to each home. Currently there are areas within the City that have fiber optic cable; however, this project will take fiber throughout the city and to each home, which is currently not available. This new system will have the capacity to carry voice, data and video service at greater speeds than currently available through other sources. Once complete, this system appears to be a positive service that will be available to the residents of Hermosa Beach. In order to provide video service Verizon will be required to enter into a franchise agreement with the City similar to the one the City has with Adelphia. Verizon is interested in developing a franchise agreement in a short time frame. The City Manager's memo is being placed on the agenda of the City Council meeting scheduled for March 8, 2005 as an informational item. Staff will continue to keep both the Cable Television Advisory Commission and the City Council informed of the progress of this project. It is anticipated that Verizon will be invited to make a presentation at the next Commission meeting.



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