

COUNCIL MOTION (Passed 9-0) - Fiber-to-the-Premises and Direction on Next Steps for Fiber and City Wireless Services September 28, 2015, Palo Alto City Council Meeting, Council Member DuBois moved, seconded by Council Member Burt:

- A. Council adopts a preferred alternative of creating a ubiquitous fiber network in Palo Alto reaching nearly all residents with City ownership of Fiber assets as a public benefit and that goal will be revisited in the first quarter of 2016.
- B. Council requests an update to the consultant's report including:
 - a. In the Fiber-to-the-Premises (FTTP) Master Plan:
 - i. Detailed assumptions, and their impacts, used to forecast the FTTP capital additions are to be reviewed by Citizens Advisors. If there is a disagreement between the consultant's report and the Citizen Advisory Committee's (CAC) recommendation, the Staff Report to Council will highlight the discrepancy. Once this is accomplished, a revised forecast is to be provided to the Council as an Action Item.
 - b. In the Wireless Network Report:
 - i. A 20-year forecast should be provided consistent with the FTTP report; and
 - ii. The description of Scenario 1 lacked both a price forecast and fiber backhaul details for the proposed municipal properties to be served; these details should be included in an update prior to a Request for Proposals (RFP). Evaluate expanding wireless to retail areas with an option for expanding Wi-Fi coverage at City facilities and public areas as part of the RFP (Scenario 1); and
- C. Issue an RFP to add dedicated wireless communications to increase communication for Public Safety and Utilities Departments (Scenarios 3 and 4); and
- D. Wireless plans will not use Fiber Funds at this time but this will be revisited when Council reviews Fiber Goals in the first quarter of 2016; and
- E. Direct Staff to bring a dig-once Ordinance; and
- F. Direct Staff to discuss co-build with AT&T and Google, how the City can lay its own conduit to the premises during their buildouts; and
- G. Move forward with Request for Information (RFI) exploring both Muni-owned model with contractors for build and ongoing operations, and public-private model with City-owned fiber and private partner (such as Sonic) operating and owning electronics, considering both Google in the market and not.