



**GRAND JUNCTION CITY COUNCIL  
MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2017**

**PRE-MEETING (DINNER) 5:00 P.M. ADMINISTRATION CONFERENCE ROOM  
WORKSHOP, 5:30 P.M.  
CITY HALL AUDITORIUM  
250 N. 5<sup>TH</sup> STREET**

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- 1. Discussion Topics**
  - a. Broadband Project Discussion
- 2. Next Workshop Topics**
- 3. Other Business**



## Grand Junction City Council

### Workshop Session

Item #1.a.

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**Meeting Date:** March 13, 2017

**Presented By:** Greg Caton, City Manager

**Department:** Admin - City Manager

**Submitted By:** Greg Caton, City Manager

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### **Information**

#### **SUBJECT:**

Broadband Project Discussion

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

City Council will revisit the initial goals for the project, and potentially make revisions, in order to provide direction to City staff who will develop solutions for the broadband project.

#### **BACKGROUND OR DETAILED INFORMATION:**

In April 2015, Grand Junction voters approved an override of Colorado Senate Bill 05-152 by a majority of 77% which allows the City to use City resources and infrastructure to provide broadband capabilities that compete with private providers. As a result of that override, City Council directed staff to explore a public-private-partnership that would accomplish the following goals: The City would have substantial ownership of a fiber optic network that would pass every home and business within the City limits. The City would partner with a company or multiple companies to provide broadband services. Broadband services would be available to residences for \$50-80 per month and to businesses for under \$300 per month.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

N/A

#### **SUGGESTED ACTION:**

If the Council wishes to proceed with a broadband project, City Council should provide staff direction and goals in relation to ownership, funding, open-access, ubiquity, etc.

**Attachments**

None