

Background/Supporting Information Attached

Appointments to Minneapolis Telecommunications Network Board:

Consideration of the following applicants to one City Council, one Mayor/City Council and two Mayor w/City Council approval appointments:

City Council Appointee (four year term)

Mark Engebretson, 4731 Park Avenue South. (Would like to be re-appointment as a City Council Appointed term to expire February 13, 2008)

Mayor/City Council Appointee (four year term to expire February 13, 2008)

Teresa Konechne, No address given, only zip code 55408. (Mayor's recommendation to fill the vacancy created by the completion of term for Mayoral Appointment, Tomas Gonda which expired January 15, 2004.)

Mayor with Council Approval (1 four year term to expire February 13, 2008 and 1 unexpired four year term to expire January 15, 2005.)

Joan Higinbotham, 442 Summit Avenue. (Would like to be re-appointed as a Mayor with Council approval appointed term to expire February 13, 2008.)

Thomas M. Cassidy, 5136 Lyndale Avenue South. (Would like to be appointed as a Mayor with Council approval appointed term to expire January 15, 2005 - Mayor's recommendation to fill position vacated by Julie Wallace)

Applications also received from:

Marido C. Huber 3026 Ulysses Street NE

Joel Rainville, 2200 26th Avenue NE

Minneapolis Telecommunications Network (MTN) is community access to television and to communications and information networks. MTN is a public non-profit organization (PNC). MTN strengthens community by encouraging creation of and access to programs and information using electronic technology. MTN believes in freedom of expression for all.

The Articles of Incorporation authorize the corporation: (1) to promote the use of cable communication systems for community and public access in the City of Minneapolis; (2) to address the information and cultural needs of residents, businesses, non-profit organizations and governmental bodies; (3) to regulate, control and manage dedicated public channels; and (4) to make recommendations on other franchise issues.

Membership:

MTN is comprised of nine members (+3 ex-officio), five appointed by the City Council, 3 Mayoral appointments and one joint Council President and Mayoral appointment, each serving four year terms. Director shall be individuals who live, work or are engaged in business within the City of Minneapolis. The Articles of Incorporation contain a conflict of interest statement, which prohibits directors from having a financial interest in any entity engaged in, or doing business with, cable television in Minnesota.