



August 18, 2016

Board of County Commissioners
Clackamas County

Members of the Board:

Board Order Approving the Service Area Expansion of the
Cable Television Franchise Agreement with Frontier Communications

Purpose/Outcome	Expand the Service Area allowed under the Franchise Agreement with Frontier Communications operating within the former City of Damascus to ensure continued cable television service.
Dollar Amount and Fiscal Impact	N/A
Funding Source	N/A
Duration	Effective August 18, 2016 through December 4, 2023 with Frontier Communications.
Previous Board Action/Review	The franchise with Frontier was approved by the BCC in December 2008.
Strategic Plan Alignment	Building public trust through good government.
Contact Person	Gary Schmidt, Public and Government Affairs, 503-742-5908

BACKGROUND:

Cable television is provided to the citizens of unincorporated Clackamas County in the former City of Damascus by Frontier Communications Northwest Inc. The Franchise Agreement with Frontier Communications Northwest Inc. does not currently allow them to serve the citizens within the former City of Damascus.

With the disincorporation of the City of Damascus it is desirable to expand the Service Areas of the respective cable companies to allow them to continue cable service to these citizens. For this to occur the Franchise Agreement with Frontier Communications Inc. must be amended.

This expansion of the Service Area for the above cable Franchise Agreement has been reviewed and approved by County Counsel.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully recommends the Board approve the Board Order for the Service Area Expansion of the Franchise Agreement with Frontier Communications Northwest Inc. through the remainder of the terms of their current Franchise Agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Schmidt, Director
Public and Government Affairs

In the Matter of Approving an
Expansion of the Cable Television
Franchise service areas with
Frontier Communications Northwest Inc.

ORDER NO.

This matter coming before the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners at its regularly scheduled public meeting on August 18, 2016 to consider approving an expansion of the cable television franchise with Frontier Communications Northwest Inc.

WHEREAS, Frontier Communications Northwest Inc., holds a cable television franchise with Clackamas County. They desire to expand their service area to provide service to areas within the borders of the former City of Damascus after disincorporation effective July 18, 2016 as shown on the attached map (Attachment "A"); and

WHEREAS, Frontier Communications Northwest Inc. is unable to provide cable services in unincorporated Clackamas County without a cable television franchise; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest to expand the service area to provide cable services to unincorporated Clackamas County which had previously been served within the City of Damascus;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the franchise service area granted to Frontier Communications Northwest Inc. shall be expanded to include those areas as shown on Attachment "A" within the current borders of the City of Damascus, thus providing uninterrupted cable service to those residents of the City of Damascus after disincorporation effective July 18, 2016. All areas included in this service area expansion will be subject to the rules and regulation of the Franchise Agreement between Clackamas County and Frontier Communications Northwest Inc.

DATED THIS _____ DAY OF AUGUST, 2016.

CLACKAMAS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Chair

Recording Secretary