

Quad Cities Cable Communications Commission
Anoka City Hall – Council Chambers

July 16, 2015, 11:00 AM

Agenda

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Approval of Agenda**
- 4. Administrative Reports**
 - 4.1. Secretary
 - 4.1.1. Approval of the June 18, 2015, commission work session minutes.
 - 4.1.2. Approval of June 18, 2015, commission meeting minutes.
 - 4.2. Treasurer
 - 4.2.1. May Financial Reports
 - 4.3. Executive Director
- 5. General Business**
 - 5.1. Designated Depository
- 6. Adjourn**

MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION OF JUNE 18, 2015

CALL TO ORDER – 1

Chair Heitkamp called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. at the Anoka City Hall.

ROLL CALL– 2

Commissioners present were: Bret Heitkamp, Eric Johnson, Carl Anderson, John LeTourneau, Kurt Ulrich, Jim Dickinson, Julie Trude, and Tim Cruikshank

Commissioners absent: None.

Others present included Karen George, Executive Director

TOPIC FOR DISCUSS – 3

3.1 Programming

Ms. George stated that programming had also been discussed at the March and May work sessions. She stated that today the group would be reviewing the strategic plan and ideas for the future in order to determine if any course adjustments are necessary. She briefly reviewed the vision statement and objectives and asked for input from the Commission, specifically regarding programming.

Commissioner Trude stated that perhaps the customer needs to be updated.

Chair Heitkamp questioned if there is anyone that is not comfortable with the vision, mission or core values as he believed that those were well aligned when the document was created and thinks that they are still applicable. He suggested that, if everyone is comfortable with those, perhaps the goals and objectives should be discussed.

Commissioner Trude stated that the organization had conducted a subscriber survey and believed that should occur. She also questioned who the customer would be, whether that would be city officials or viewers and residents.

Ms. George stated that in the strategic planning process a list of customers was created, which included not only elected officials and the Commission but also residents and viewers. She stated that she does have that information and can forward it to the Commission.

Commissioner LeTourneau stated that the real question would be programing and not so much the customer definition as that had been done by the Commission in the past few years.

Ms. George referenced the large subscriber survey that had been planned for this year, explaining that a third party company, Decision Resources, would be hired for that process. She stated that the Comcast negotiations interrupted that process and expected that the large subscriber survey could be done within the next eight months. She stated that she is working on hiring the consultant to complete one on one stakeholder interviews and noted that a short survey will also be posted on the website for viewers.

Commissioner LeTourneau stated that perhaps evaluation of the programming should be delayed until the results of the surveys are known.

Chair Heitkamp stated that the larger subscriber survey should be planned for the first quarter of 2016 in order to plan the questions and reach the highest number of individuals, as summer can be a difficult time to reach people.

Commissioner Trude stated that she is receiving input that people want more coverage of what is occurring at the local level. She referenced the idea of a news program, which could focus on local projects, development, and street improvements.

Chair Heitkamp referenced goal eight and the core services and questioned if the view from Andover is in line with the core services.

Commissioner Trude suggested an expansion on the coverage of local government issues, other than simply meeting coverage. She provided examples of issues that transcend across the four communities.

Commissioner LeTourneau stated that the programming in place follows the direction of the strategic plan and the direction given to staff, which overall represents the needs of the communities served. He stated that perhaps there are challenges regarding individual needs that communities may have, while still within the framework of the plan.

Commissioner Dickinson referenced finding something to meet emerging customer needs and questioned whether that is through the television channel or other mechanisms such as laptops and mobile devices.

Commissioner LeTourneau stated that he is unsure that a broad policy could be developed on the level of QCTV or whether QCTV provides expertise to the member cities on methods of communication including social media.

Commissioner Cruikshank agreed that there are a multitude of ways to pass on information. He referenced the garbage issue that Anoka recently had and advised of the ways Anoka publicized the information including local and larger newspapers, posting at City Hall, use of the Anoka city website and assistance from QCTV. He stated that QCTV is just one method of communication and technology that cities can utilize.

Chair Heitkamp stated that following the last work session and in preparation for this meeting, he spoke with the Champlin Mayor regarding News and Views, noting that Mayor Nelson felt the show provided the necessary information and is in line with the mission to connect the communities through local programming. He stated that while three to five minutes may not seem like enough time to drill down on certain issues, there are other tools to get that message out other than QCTV.

Commissioner LeTourneau stated that the tool of News and Views points people in the right direction, noting that a decision would then need to be made regarding the other tools that cities could use to get out additional details.

Commissioner Ulrich referenced the format used by the police and fire chiefs and stated that perhaps that format would address Commissioner Trude's concern.

Ms. George stated that when staff considers programming they consider whether the item would fall in line with the core services and whether the organization is being fair and equitable to all four member cities. She stated that the public safety program has continued and is provided on a quarterly basis.

Commissioner Cruikshank stated that it seems that if QCTV is going to go down the path of a news format such as that suggested by Commissioner Trude, all member cities would need to be included in order to be fair and equitable. He stated that he is not receiving a lot of input from residents regarding cable television and is not receiving requests for more televised input from elected officials.

Commissioner Johnson agreed that he is not hearing that residents would like more airtime from elected officials but noted that he does receive questions from residents regarding replay of sports or event footage.

Commissioner Trude stated that she gets comments that people are watching the meetings.

Commissioner Anderson acknowledged that people are watching meetings but noted that he had never received any comments that people have watched him on the Council updates that they used to tape.

Commissioner LeTourneau agreed that people watch the meetings and stated that no one ever says that they are not receiving enough information through the meeting. He believed that the programming is solid but noted that if there is a specific need in a member city regarding communication, the organization could help that city to find their voice.

Commissioner Trude stated that Andover has discussed using more creative vehicles to engage the public.

Commissioner Cruikshank stated that there are many methods of communication that Andover could use with the new vehicles for technology.

Chair Heitkamp confirmed the consensus of the Commission that QCTV is moving in the direction outlined by the strategic plan.

Ms. George stated that there are a lot of day to day operation aspects occurring at QCTV and explained that she attempts to package things together, such as programming, for the Commission to review on a larger scale. She stated that she will be preparing a technology package for the Commission to review at the September work session regarding the technological advances that the organization is making.

TOPIC FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION - 4

4.1 Technology – September 17

Ms. George stated that staff is creating the technology presentation which will come before the Commission at the September work session.

Commissioner Ulrich suggested that the communication and administration staff from member cities be brought into a discussion at some point in order to provide additional information on how those resources could be integrated.

Ms. George briefly reviewed some of the technological advances that are underway at this time.

Commissioner Johnson stated that perhaps the financial goal should be reviewed as some of the objectives have been met and could be updated.

ADJOURN – 5

Time of adjournment 10:29 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed for approval,

Amanda Staple
Recording Secretary
TimeSaver Off Site Secretarial, Inc.

Karen George
Executive Director

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 18, 2015

CALL TO ORDER – 1

Chair Heitkamp called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m. at the Anoka City Hall.

ROLL CALL– 2

Commissioners present were: Carl Anderson, Anoka; Tim Cruikshank, Anoka; John LeTourneau, Ramsey; Kurt Ulrich, Ramsey; Jim Dickinson, Andover; Julie Trude, Andover; Eric Johnson, Champlin; and Bret Heitkamp, Champlin (left the meeting at 11:44 a.m.).

Commissioners absent and excused: None.

Others present included Karen George, Executive Director; Bob Vose, Commission Attorney; Katherine Lenaburg, Operations Manager; Corey Laing, Producer; Taylor Johnson, Mobile Production Coordinator/Producer; and Leslie Sauer, Associate Producer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – 3

Motion was made by LeTourneau and seconded by Trude to approve the agenda as presented.

8 ayes – 0 nays. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS – 4

4.1 Secretary

4.1.1. Approval of work session minutes from May 21, 2015

Motion was made by Trude and seconded by Dickinson to approve the May 21, 2015 work session minutes as presented.

8 ayes – 0 nays. Motion carried.

4.1.2. Approval of meeting minutes from May 21, 2015

Motion was made by Trude and seconded by Johnson to approve the May 21, 2015 minutes as presented.

8 ayes – 0 nays. Motion carried.

4.2 Treasurer

4.2.1. April Financial Reports

Commissioner Dickinson stated that the organization is positioning for necessary capital improvements. He noted that an audit report will come forward in the next month or two months.

Motion was made by Trude and seconded by Cruikshank to accept the April Financial Reports as presented.

8 ayes – 0 nays. Motion carried

4.3 Executive Director

Ms. George highlighted some of the recent activities and programs that have been completed and are available for viewing. She stated that the Budget Committee met to review the audit report and will come before the Commission for action at a future meeting. She referenced a recent conference she attended where the reinstatement of tax-exempt status was discussed noting that the reversal has been delayed to January 1, 2017.

GENERAL BUSINESS – 5

5.1 Competitive Franchise – Public Hearing

Chair Heitkamp opened the public hearing at 11:05 a.m.

Ms. George stated that the application submitted by CenturyLink was included in the Board packet. She noted that a response from Comcast was received and provided to the Commission along with the following two public comments, which were received through the QCTV website.

Ms. George reported that the following two comments were received online: Neil Feist, 12353 Zealand Ave N Champlin, commented, "I dropped Comcast TV several years ago in frustration of their price, poor customer service and lack of

content. I did keep internet through Comcast but watch most of my content on Netflix and Hulu+. I think the market should be open to multiple providers. There are many people who are restricted from using satellite in apartments, condo/townhomes, or obstructions to receive a signal. I simply cannot stand Comcast and most of the people I know feel the same way and about to drop cable and go to streaming.”

JT Preese, 11014 Wisconsin Avenue Champlin, commented, “Comments/input much too expensive, no options no competition *= higher cost to consumers. We r considering cutting the cable. Hands are tied. Give us an option to choose what works in out family budgets. Comcast had s monopoly in our area. Choosing channels thstvduit our family viewing preferences would also be a GREAT option.”

Attorney Vose suggested that CenturyLink be provided an opportunity to first provide a brief presentation, with time allotted for additional comments, and then a return to CenturyLink should they wish to comment again. He advised that the time for written comments will extend an additional week and explained the process that would be followed after the public hearing, which will include a review of the materials and comments received through this public comment period in order to evaluate the application. He reviewed the factors that would be considered when evaluating the application and stated that negotiations would also occur regarding proposed franchise terms; at which time staff would be allowed to ask additional information from CenturyLink. He stated that the starting point for discussions would be based off the recently updated Comcast franchise and settlement agreement. He noted that the Commission is an advisory body that will make a recommendation to the member cities as to whether they should enter into a franchise with CenturyLink.

Tyler Middleton, Vice President of Operations for CenturyLink, introduced himself and stated that for the first time in over 30 years CenturyLink is attempting to bring competition and choice to this viewing market. He noted that the product would be Prism, which is not currently available in this market but is offered by CenturyLink in other markets across the nation. He stated that Prism is an IP based technology that would provide a high quality digital picture and operates over the existing network. He described the Prism offerings including the number of channels/packages available, a wireless service box, whole home DVR, warp channel change, video on demand, and smart apps. He stated that in order to bring a product like this to market a significant investment is needed and noted that CenturyLink is the third largest provider in the nation and the second largest cloud provider in the world. He highlighted the number of employees currently working for CenturyLink in Minnesota. He stated that Minneapolis granted CenturyLink a franchise on May 29th and CenturyLink turned on the video service on June 1st in the areas ready to serve that product.

Patrick Haggerty, CenturyLink, stated that they have been through approximately 30 to 35 public hearings recently. He reviewed the Minnesota state law regarding franchise agreements which was enacted in the 1990's and has not changed much since. He noted that the state statute includes requirements of the franchise authorities, imposes a level playing field on any second entrant into a market, and also includes a build requirement that requires a second entrant to have an entire network built out within five years of the franchise. He reviewed the ruling of the FCC, through order 621, which deemed the build out clause among other elements to be unreasonable. He stated that the FCC states that the second entrant would accept an initial build requirement and if the second entrant is successful in obtaining and building a customer base, additional build out terms can be applied and noted that the build-out proposed by CenturyLink meets those requirements. He stated that CenturyLink has offered an initial build out of 15 percent and if after two years they have acquired 27.5 percent of that 15 percent of customers, another obligation would be triggered to build out another 15 percent over the next two years. He explained that cycle would continue to repeat until fully built out. He highlighted aspects regarding the PEG fees and noted that CenturyLink would agree to the same PEG fee offered by the incumbent and would also offer all the PEG channels to be provided in HD, if QCTV passes the material to them in HD.

Attorney Vose referenced language in the 621 order and asked for clarification regarding the deadlines.

Mr. Haggerty stated that CenturyLink is aware of the process that must be followed and has not, and does not intend to, trigger any of the deadlines.

Attorney Vose referenced the comment made by CenturyLink regarding the 612 order preempting the Minnesota state law and asked for clarification.

Mr. Haggerty replied that it is the position of CenturyLink that the 621 order would preempt both elements of the state law.

Attorney Vose stated that the build out requirement contains specific language referring to the construction of the cable system and wondered the extent to which that would apply as CenturyLink does have infrastructure available in some communities already. He questioned what would have to be done to the system.

Mr. Haggerty stated that they have taken the position that the build out requirement is fully preempted.

Mr. Middleton stated that the language is around "build" noting that there are many places where nothing is physically built but where fine tuning would occur to the existing infrastructure in order to carry the additional content. He stated

that the challenge is that CenturyLink is presenting a request to 53 markets in Minnesota among many others across the nation and noted that CenturyLink may be able to provide service to more than 15 percent over the course of two years. He stated that CenturyLink is identifying where some of the slowest speeds are currently offered and will be prioritizing those areas.

Commissioner Trude questioned if CenturyLink would look at a blended network that may include satellite service in order to provide service to a more rural customer.

Mr. Middleton stated that CenturyLink is not going to offer satellite directly but does partner with, and will continue to partner with, DirecTV to provide service to rural customers where Prism would not be available.

Attorney Vose referenced the written response that was received from Comcast prior to the meeting today. He questioned how the organization would be made aware if CenturyLink has obtained the necessary number of customers.

Mr. Haggerty stated that the second build would be triggered once the necessary customer base is obtained. He used the example of Minneapolis where CenturyLink agreed to meet with the city on a quarterly basis in order to share the subscriber information. He stated that they agreed with Minneapolis that once any of those triggers are met, the needed subscriber base or the two years have expired, the next build out would begin.

Mr. Middleton stated that Comcast has sent that response the morning of each of the public hearings that CenturyLink has presented. He stated that CenturyLink is offering indemnification against any possible legal action from Comcast in that regard as they feel strongly about the preempting of the state law.

Chair Heitkamp left the meeting.

Attorney Vose asked for additional clarification regarding CenturyLink and Qwest, specifically whether language would be included that would avoid company A blaming certain aspects on company B.

Mr. Haggerty stated that they will agree to appropriate mechanisms that would avoid that situation.

Commissioner Dickinson questioned why the larger company is not the applicant.

Mr. Haggerty explained that the larger company that owns the voice assets is regulated federally and those requirements would not apply to this type of content.

Attorney Vose noted that CenturyLink has stated that the build out is the area where preemption and applicability of state law would apply. He referenced the written comments from Comcast regarding the capital grants they have paid to support community programming and asked for a response from CenturyLink.

Mr. Haggerty stated that CenturyLink believes that the 621 order preempts all the elements of the state statute. He stated that in regard to capital grants, those are typically recovered by the incumbent provider and therefore CenturyLink believes that would be prohibitive to require that of a second entrant. He noted that is a benefit of a monopoly environment.

Commissioner Johnson stated that in terms of the build out language it would take 12 plus years for full build out to occur. He noted that his biggest concern would be that the Commission would be approving competition but residents may not see that for another decade.

Mr. Middleton explained that CenturyLink would be coming to the market with zero customers and there is a cost to build out a network. He stated that there would be a benefit to allowing CenturyLink into the market, even for those not receiving the service, as other providers would provide more competitive rates. He stated that there is nothing preventing CenturyLink from building out sooner and noted that it is in the interest of CenturyLink to build out faster in order to obtain additional customers that could fund additional build out.

Commissioner Cruikshank questioned what would occur if the 27.5 percent threshold is not met.

Mr. Haggerty stated that the trigger for build out would be the 27.5 percent threshold. He explained that if the threshold is met within the first quarter, the additional build out would be triggered at that time.

Attorney Vose stated that written comments could still be received through Thursday, June 25th.

Motion was made by LeTourneau, and seconded by Trude, to close the oral portion of the public hearing at 11:59 a.m.

7 ayes – 0 nays. Motion carried.

Attorney Vose stated that staff will now analyze the application and the applicant's qualifications and will also begin to negotiate the terms with

CenturyLink. He stated that a report and recommendation would be drafted by staff for the Commission to review and estimated that a clear picture would be known within the next 60 days.

Commissioner Cruikshank stated that Comcast submitted written comments regarding their position and possible legal action that could occur.

Attorney Vose stated that it is his understanding that a similar, or verbatim, letter was submitted by Comcast to Minneapolis and other communities. He stated that in his view there is a limited time for the incumbent to legally contest a grant of a franchise. He noted that the Minneapolis franchise has been enacted and there has been no legal action from Comcast at this time.

5.2 Capital Equipment Request

Ms. George stated that staff has been progressing through the capital improvement plan, noting that the first phase of upgrades were made to the mobile van earlier this year. She introduced Mr. Johnson to provide more detail on the request before the Commission today.

Mr. Johnson confirmed that the phase one capital upgrades have been installed in the mobile van and are working very well. He stated that staff is now looking at phase two which would include high definition cameras, among other items. He stated that staff would like to complete a sealed bid process for the cameras, in combination with another organization, in order to obtain a cost savings. He stated that for the remainder of the equipment staff is proposing to obtain three competitive bids for each piece of equipment over \$1,000. He reviewed the estimated cost for the equipment and stated that staff would like to have the equipment installed prior to August 18th in order to be ready for the fall sports season. He reviewed the recommended actions before the Commission.

Ms. George noted that there would be a collaboration on the sealed bid process in order to obtain a cost savings on the cameras. She advised that there would be additional options should QCTV choose a different model of camera from the other organization. She noted that the Budget Committee reviewed this recommendation and is in agreement with moving forward on this item even though sales tax would be required.

Commissioner Trude questioned if this process would meet the requirements of the member cities.

Commissioner Dickinson stated that the Budget Committee reviewed this item to ensure that the necessary requirements would be met and that an opt out clause would be included in the joint purchase.

Motion was made by Cruikshank, and seconded by Dickinson, to approve Phase 2, Part 1 and Part 2 upgrades not to exceed \$404,068.03.

7 ayes – 0 nays. Motion carried.

5.3 Awards Presentation

Ms. George recognized Mr. Johnson who completed the management academy and Ms. Lenaburg who completed the leadership training at Anoka Ramsey Community College. She stated that both of these individuals and the entire QCTV staff are doing an excellent job of representing the member cities.

Acting Chairperson Ulrich congratulated the two staff members on behalf of the Commission.

Ms. George stated that QCTV enters award programs, which provide feedback even if an award is not received. She briefly highlighted the multiple awards, which QCTV has recently received.

The Minnesota Association of Community Telecommunications Administrators teamed with the Minnesota Association of Government Communicators for the video categories of the MAGC Northern Lights Awards. 2015 marked the 33rd annual Northern Lights Contest. The contest focuses on the best in government communications. The contest averages 150 entries each year in a variety of categories that span government/public communications. Specifically, there were 72 video entries. QCTV received Award of Merit for the following programs:

- Promotional – What's News at the Q
- PSA – Car Wash PSA
- News or Talk Show – The Chamber Report
- News or Talk Show – News and Views
- Live or Live to Tape Sports Coverage – Maple Grove vs. Anoka Boys Soccer
MSHSL State Tournament Semi-Final
- Live or Live to Tape Community Event Coverage – Live and Local: Back to
School Special
- Informational – Anoka County Sheriff's Show

ADJOURN – 6

Time of adjournment 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Reviewed for approval,

Amanda Staple
Recording Secretary
TimeSaver Off Site Secretarial, Inc.

Karen George
Executive Director

**Quad Cities Communications Commission
Balance Sheet Summary**

As of May 31, 2015

	<u>Total</u>
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts - QCTV	1,364,308.23
- PayPay acct	3,503.58
- US Bank Reserve	5,000.00
- Petty Cash	250.00
Accounts Receivable	0.00
Other current assets	0.00
Total Current Assets	<u>\$ 1,373,061.81</u>
Fixed Assets	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u><u>\$ 1,373,061.81</u></u>
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	5,391.95
Other Current Liabilities	300.05
Total Current Liabilities	<u>\$ 5,692.00</u>
Equity	<u>1,367,369.81</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	<u><u>\$ 1,373,061.81</u></u>

Quad Cities Communications Commission
Budget vs. Actuals: Budget 2015 - FY15 P&L
May / YTD 2015

	May 2015				YTD			
	Actual	Budget	over Budget	% of Budget	Actual	Budget	over Budget	Budget
Income								
Duplication Revenue	211.40	208.00	3.40	101.63%	784.27	2,500.00	(1,715.73)	31.37%
Equipment Grant		4,583.00	(4,583.00)	0.00%	0.00	55,000.00	(55,000.00)	0.00%
Franchise Fees		72,854.00	(72,854.00)	0.00%	274,447.00	874,248.00	(599,801.00)	31.39%
Interest Income	18.64	8.00	10.64	233.00%	81.29	100.00	(18.71)	81.29%
Miscellaneous Income	24,539.76	416.00	24,123.76	5898.98%	31,397.12	5,000.00	26,397.12	627.94%
PEG Fee		36,427.00	(36,427.00)	0.00%	138,897.80	437,125.00	(298,227.20)	31.78%
Total Income	24,769.80	114,496.00	(89,726.20)	21.63%	445,607.48	1,373,973.00	(928,365.52)	32.43%
Gross Profit	24,769.80	114,496.00	(89,726.20)	21.63%	445,607.48	1,373,973.00	(928,365.52)	32.43%
Expenses								
Accounting / HR Services	1,436.40	1,500.00	(63.60)	95.76%	5,554.10	18,000.00	(12,445.90)	30.86%
Ads/Promos/Sponsorships		570.00	(570.00)	0.00%	4,349.00	6,850.00	(2,501.00)	63.49%
Andover Capital Equipment	180.21	416.00	(235.79)	43.32%	559.38	5,000.00	(4,440.62)	11.19%
Announcers Fees	760.00	833.00	(73.00)	91.24%	2,510.00	10,000.00	(7,490.00)	25.10%
Anoka Capital Equipment	153.79	416.00	(262.21)	36.97%	883.48	5,000.00	(4,116.52)	17.67%
Audit		1,083.00	(1,083.00)	0.00%	0.00	13,000.00	(13,000.00)	0.00%
AV Equip / Repair / Supply / Software	237.77	2,000.00	(1,762.23)	11.89%	1,943.11	24,000.00	(22,056.89)	8.10%
Bank Fees / CC Fees		41.00	(41.00)	0.00%	0.00	500.00	(500.00)	0.00%
Brand Apparel		166.00	(166.00)	0.00%	0.00	2,000.00	(2,000.00)	0.00%
Building - Cleaning	407.65	500.00	(92.35)	81.53%	2,038.25	6,000.00	(3,961.75)	33.97%
Building - Insurance		241.00	(241.00)	0.00%	1,394.00	2,900.00	(1,506.00)	48.07%
Building - Maintenance	1,271.60	583.00	688.60	218.11%	1,775.92	7,000.00	(5,224.08)	25.37%
Building - Supplies	69.84	250.00	(180.16)	27.94%	636.70	3,000.00	(2,363.30)	21.22%
Car Allowance	250.00	250.00	0.00	100.00%	1,250.00	3,000.00	(1,750.00)	41.67%
Cell Phone - Allowance	435.00	555.00	(120.00)	78.38%	2,175.00	6,660.00	(4,485.00)	32.66%
Champlin Capital Equipment		416.00	(416.00)	0.00%	0.00	5,000.00	(5,000.00)	0.00%
City Sewer & Water	78.23	291.00	(212.77)	26.88%	428.14	3,500.00	(3,071.86)	12.23%
Commission Expense		291.00	(291.00)	0.00%	2,012.02	3,500.00	(1,487.98)	57.49%
Computer Equip / Repair / Supply / Software	439.67	3,111.00	(2,671.33)	14.13%	12,922.23	37,340.00	(24,417.77)	34.61%
Consulting Services	3,252.63	4,166.00	(913.37)	78.08%	21,837.52	50,000.00	(28,162.48)	43.68%
Contingency Fund		2,166.00	(2,166.00)	0.00%	0.00	26,000.00	(26,000.00)	0.00%
Duplication Expenses		208.00	(208.00)	0.00%	82.48	2,500.00	(2,417.52)	3.30%

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May / YTD 2015

	May 2015				YTD			
	Actual	Budget	over Budget	% of Budget	Actual	Budget	over Budget	Budget
Electric Service	900.18	1,500.00	(599.82)	60.01%	4,655.72	18,000.00	(13,344.28)	25.87%
Emp / Comm Appreciation		208.00	(208.00)	0.00%	77.14	2,500.00	(2,422.86)	3.09%
Federal Unempl Expense	30.57	125.00	(94.43)	24.46%	516.01	1,500.00	(983.99)	34.40%
Health Insurance	4,878.36	5,634.00	(755.64)	86.59%	28,633.07	67,609.00	(38,975.93)	42.35%
Insurance - Deductibles		41.00	(41.00)	0.00%	0.00	500.00	(500.00)	0.00%
Insurance - Liability / Bonds		580.00	(580.00)	0.00%	3,964.00	6,964.00	(3,000.00)	56.92%
Lawn Service	831.92	416.00	415.92	199.98%	1,287.84	5,000.00	(3,712.16)	25.76%
Legal Fees	1,772.37	2,500.00	(727.63)	70.89%	12,909.52	30,000.00	(17,090.48)	43.03%
Legislative Lobbying		138.00	(138.00)	0.00%	0.00	1,660.00	(1,660.00)	0.00%
Licenses and Permits		83.00	(83.00)	0.00%	0.00	1,000.00	(1,000.00)	0.00%
Meals	248.50	83.00	165.50	299.40%	248.50	1,000.00	(751.50)	24.85%
Memberships - NATOA / Others		456.00	(456.00)	0.00%	1,319.00	5,480.00	(4,161.00)	24.07%
Mileage	613.81	500.00	113.81	122.76%	2,348.21	6,000.00	(3,651.79)	39.14%
Miscellaneous Expenses		83.00	(83.00)	0.00%	0.00	1,000.00	(1,000.00)	0.00%
Natural Gas	157.96	291.00	(133.04)	54.28%	1,947.57	3,500.00	(1,552.43)	55.64%
Office Supplies / Equipment	117.39	833.00	(715.61)	14.09%	2,122.00	10,000.00	(7,878.00)	21.22%
Parking Lot Maintenance		416.00	(416.00)	0.00%	0.00	5,000.00	(5,000.00)	0.00%
Payroll Expenses (ADP)	503.35	433.00	70.35	116.25%	2,345.20	5,200.00	(2,854.80)	45.10%
PERA	3,926.68	3,609.00	317.68	108.80%	13,225.51	43,317.00	(30,091.49)	30.53%
Postage	94.80	83.00	11.80	114.22%	543.94	1,000.00	(456.06)	54.39%
Printing / Copy Services		166.00	(166.00)	0.00%	52.49	2,000.00	(1,947.51)	2.62%
Professional Development	2,845.16	1,425.00	1,420.16	199.66%	4,101.72	17,100.00	(12,998.28)	23.99%
Publications		41.00	(41.00)	0.00%	0.00	500.00	(500.00)	0.00%
Ramsey Capital Equipment	23.15	416.00	(392.85)	5.56%	121.05	5,000.00	(4,878.95)	2.42%
Sales Tax		166.00	(166.00)	0.00%	262.00	2,000.00	(1,738.00)	13.10%
Secretary Services	171.40	150.00	21.40	114.27%	935.40	1,800.00	(864.60)	51.97%
Snow Plowing Service		416.00	(416.00)	0.00%	1,497.50	5,000.00	(3,502.50)	29.95%
SS/Medicare Expense	4,150.05	4,087.00	63.05	101.54%	13,888.17	49,055.00	(35,166.83)	28.31%
State Unemploy Exp		416.00	(416.00)	0.00%	227.32	5,000.00	(4,772.68)	4.55%
STD / LTD / Life Insurance	593.85	504.00	89.85	117.83%	2,846.80	6,054.00	(3,207.20)	47.02%
Studio Sets		166.00	(166.00)	0.00%	0.00	2,000.00	(2,000.00)	0.00%
Subscription Services		0.00	0.00		220.00	0.00	220.00	

Quad Cities Communications Commission
Budget vs. Actuals: Budget 2015 - FY15 P&L
May / YTD 2015

	May 2015				YTD			
	Actual	Budget	over Budget	% of Budget	Actual	Budget	over Budget	Budget
Temp Staff Services		416.00	(416.00)	0.00%	0.00	5,000.00	(5,000.00)	0.00%
Vehicle - Equipment / Repair	1,741.09	1,416.00	325.09	122.96%	3,666.30	17,000.00	(13,333.70)	21.57%
Vehicle - Insurance		250.00	(250.00)	0.00%	1,887.00	3,000.00	(1,113.00)	62.90%
Vehicle - Maintenance / Gas	59.77	666.00	(606.23)	8.97%	687.58	8,000.00	(7,312.42)	8.59%
Wages - Full-time	49,447.23	45,853.00	3,594.23	107.84%	166,504.48	550,246.00	(383,741.52)	30.26%
Wages - Part-time	5,054.84	7,581.00	(2,526.16)	66.68%	15,210.11	90,979.00	(75,768.89)	16.72%
Waste Removal	83.06	166.00	(82.94)	50.04%	415.30	2,000.00	(1,584.70)	20.77%
Web / VOD / Int / CaTV / Phone	1,108.67	1,333.00	(224.33)	83.17%	5,650.15	16,000.00	(10,349.85)	35.31%
Work Comp Insurance		208.00	(208.00)	0.00%	1,281.00	2,500.00	(1,219.00)	51.24%
Total Expenses	88,326.95	103,907.00	(15,580.05)	85.01%	357,948.93	1,247,214.00	(889,265.07)	28.70%
Net Operating Income	(63,557.15)	10,589.00	(74,146.15)	-600.22%	87,658.55	126,759.00	(39,100.45)	69.15%
Net Income	(63,557.15)	10,589.00	(74,146.15)	-600.22%	87,658.55	126,759.00	(39,100.45)	69.15%
ZCIP - Network Servers					100,186.70			
ZCIP - Studio					48.34			
ZCIP - Truck					114,234.24			
	<u>0.00</u>				<u>214,469.28</u>			
	<u>88,326.95</u>				<u>572,418.21</u>			

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QCTV Bank Reconciliation
May 2015

Beginning Balance - 4M Statement	1,067,422.04
Less: Cleared Checks/Withdrawals	(77,113.12)
Plus: 4M Fund Interest	18.64
Plus: Bank Deposits/Credits	386,402.39
Bank Balance	\$1,376,729.95
Book Balance	1,376,729.95
Adjusted Book Balance	1,376,729.95
Difference:	\$0.00

Completed by: MK

Quad Cities Communications Commission**Reconciliation Report**Quad Cities Commission, Period Ending **05/31/2015**

Reconciled on: 06/12/2015 (any changes to transactions after this date aren't reflected on this report)

Reconciled by: Lee Brezinka

Summary

Statement Beginning Balance	1,067,422.04
Checks and Payments cleared	-77,113.12
Deposits and Other Credits cleared	+386,421.03
Statement Ending Balance	1,376,729.95
Uncleared transactions as of 05/31/2015	-12,421.72
Register Balance as of 05/31/2015	1,364,308.23
Uncleared transactions after 05/31/2015	14,296.18
Register Balance as of 06/12/2015	1,378,604.41

Details

Checks and Payments cleared

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
03/26/2015	Bill Payment	10788	IABC Pacific Plains Region	-79.00
04/03/2015	Bill Payment	10798	Pete C. Andersen	-75.00
04/24/2015	Bill Payment	10819	Markertek Video Supply	-252.58
04/24/2015	Bill Payment	10820	The Lincoln National Life Ins. Co.	-593.85
04/24/2015	Bill Payment	10816	Amazon	-1,727.09
04/24/2015	Bill Payment	10817	CBG Communications, Inc.	-6,802.58
04/29/2015	Bill Payment	10821	Markertek Video Supply	-282.09
04/29/2015	Bill Payment	10822	Preferred One Insurance Co.	-5,032.38
04/29/2015	Bill Payment	10823	Verizon Wireless	-70.29
04/29/2015	Bill Payment	10824	Alpha Video & Audio Inc.	-4,120.00
04/29/2015	Bill Payment	10825	Comcast Cable	-20.31
04/29/2015	Bill Payment	10826	Kennedy & Graven, Chartered	-449.15
04/29/2015	Bill Payment	10827	Market Place Plus, LLC	-404.95
04/29/2015	Bill Payment	10828	Velocity Drain Services Inc.	-127.50
04/30/2015	Bill Payment	10829	City of Andover	-1,126.30
04/30/2015	Bill Payment	10830	Bret Heitkamp	-120.00
04/30/2015	Bill Payment	10831	Carl E. Anderson	-120.00
04/30/2015	Bill Payment	10832	Eric Johnson	-40.00
04/30/2015	Bill Payment	10833	James Dickinson	-160.00
04/30/2015	Bill Payment	10834	John Letourneau	-120.00
04/30/2015	Bill Payment	10835	Julie Trude	-160.00
04/30/2015	Bill Payment	10836	Kurtis G. Ulrich	-160.00
05/01/2015	Bill Payment	W/D	PERA	-2,458.81
05/01/2015	Bill Payment	W/D	Voya Financial	-300.00
05/01/2015	Journal	05A - 2015MK		-163.70
05/08/2015	Bill Payment	10837	A+ Cleaning Service, Inc.	-407.65
05/08/2015	Bill Payment	10838	ACE Solid Waste, Inc.	-83.06
05/08/2015	Bill Payment	10839	Comcast Cable	-334.66
05/08/2015	Bill Payment	10840	David S. Washburn	-115.00
05/08/2015	Bill Payment	10841	Image Lawncare Services, Inc.	-455.92
05/08/2015	Bill Payment	10842	Joe G. Ruhland	-265.00
05/08/2015	Bill Payment	10843	Kelly Printing Supplies	-171.80
05/08/2015	Bill Payment	10844	MACTA	-1,520.00
05/08/2015	Bill Payment	10846	Pierce	-749.06
05/08/2015	Bill Payment	10847	Timesavers	-133.00
05/08/2015	Bill Payment	10848	Trans Alarm	-376.83
05/08/2015	Bill Payment	10849	U.S. Bank Corporate	-1,556.95
05/08/2015	Bill Payment	10850	Xcel Energy	-850.33
05/12/2015	Bill Payment	10851	CenterPoint Energy	-157.96
05/12/2015	Bill Payment	10852	David S. Washburn	-75.00

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
05/15/2015	Bill Payment	W/D	Voya Financial	-300.00
05/15/2015	Bill Payment	W/D	PERA	-2,406.71
05/15/2015	Journal	05B - 2015MK		-13,347.40
05/15/2015	Journal	05B - 2015MK		-4,938.45
05/15/2015	Journal	05B - 2015MK		-168.60
05/22/2015	Bill Payment	10854	Amazon	-804.80
05/22/2015	Bill Payment	10855	City of Champlin	-78.23
05/22/2015	Bill Payment	10856	Comcast 2	-452.34
05/22/2015	Bill Payment	10857	David S. Washburn	-190.00
05/22/2015	Bill Payment	10858	ECM Publisher	-205.56
05/22/2015	Bill Payment	10860	Huebsch	-33.07
05/22/2015	Bill Payment	10861	Joe G. Ruhland	-75.00
05/22/2015	Bill Payment	10863	The Lincoln National Life Ins. Co.	-593.85
05/22/2015	Bill Payment	10864	Verizon Wireless	-70.51
05/29/2015	Bill Payment	W/D	PERA	-2,464.30
05/29/2015	Journal	05C - 2015MK		-5,078.48
05/29/2015	Journal	05C - 2015MK		-13,688.02
Total				-77,113.12

Deposits and Other Credits cleared

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
04/30/2015	Deposit		Terry Lovaas	226.86
04/30/2015	Deposit		Comcast	37,836.45
04/30/2015	Deposit		Comcast	75,672.77
04/30/2015	Deposit		Comcast	22,033.76
04/30/2015	Deposit		Comcast	44,067.58
04/30/2015	Deposit		Comcast	32,684.43
04/30/2015	Deposit		Comcast	65,368.78
04/30/2015	Deposit		Comcast	27,937.23
04/30/2015	Deposit		Comcast	55,874.41
05/05/2015	Deposit		Comcast	24,539.76
05/26/2015	Deposit			73.00
05/31/2015	Journal	05E - 2015MK		87.36
05/31/2015	Journal	05D - 2015MK		18.64
Total				386,421.03

Additional Information

Uncleared Checks and Payments as of 05/31/2015

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
07/16/2013	Bill Payment	10010	City of Anoka	-125.00
05/08/2015	Bill Payment	10845	Minnesota Association of Government Communicators	-140.00
05/12/2015	Bill Payment	10853	Ryan Farrell	-87.36
05/22/2015	Bill Payment	10859	GraVue Co., LTD	-50.00
05/22/2015	Bill Payment	10862	Monarch Pest Control	-112.64
05/29/2015	Bill Payment	W/D	Voya Financial	-300.00
05/29/2015	Bill Payment	10865	Alpha Video & Audio Inc.	-1,731.96
05/29/2015	Bill Payment	10866	CBG Communications, Inc.	-3,252.63
05/29/2015	Bill Payment	10867	City of Andover	-1,418.70
05/29/2015	Bill Payment	10868	Preferred One Insurance Co.	-5,032.38
05/29/2015	Journal	05C - 2015MK		-171.05

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Total				-12,421.72

Uncleared Checks and Payments after 05/31/2015

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
06/05/2015	Bill Payment	10869	Comcast Cable	-194.41
06/05/2015	Bill Payment	10870	David S. Washburn	-75.00
06/05/2015	Bill Payment	10871	ECM Publisher	-475.56
06/05/2015	Bill Payment	10872	Holiday Station	-59.77
06/05/2015	Bill Payment	10873	Joe G. Ruhland	-115.00
06/05/2015	Bill Payment	10874	Kennedy & Graven, Chartered	-1,091.25
06/05/2015	Bill Payment	10875	Market Place Plus, LLC	-404.95
06/05/2015	Bill Payment	10876	Pete C. Andersen	-115.00
06/05/2015	Bill Payment	10877	Timesavers	-171.40
06/05/2015	Bill Payment	10878	U.S. Bank Corporate	-1,096.95
06/05/2015	Bill Payment	10879	Xcel Energy	-900.18
06/11/2015	Bill Payment	10880	A+ Cleaning Service, Inc.	-407.65
06/11/2015	Bill Payment	10881	ACE Solid Waste, Inc.	-83.06
06/11/2015	Bill Payment	10882	Alpha Video & Audio Inc.	-995.00
06/11/2015	Bill Payment	10883	CenterPoint Energy	-78.57
06/11/2015	Bill Payment	10884	City of Champlin	-194.83
06/11/2015	Bill Payment	10885	Comcast 2	-452.34
06/11/2015	Bill Payment	10886	Comcast Cable	-160.56
06/11/2015	Bill Payment	10887	Huebsch	-33.07
06/11/2015	Bill Payment	10888	Image Lawn care Services, Inc.	-831.92
06/12/2015	Bill Payment	W/D	PERA	-2,483.06
06/12/2015	Bill Payment	1	Voya Financial	-300.00
Total				-10,719.53

Uncleared Deposits and Other Credits after 05/31/2015

<u>Date</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Num</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
06/03/2015	Deposit		Michelle Costa	15.00
06/03/2015	Deposit		Misc - Cash	0.71
06/03/2015	Deposit		Century Link	25,000.00
Total				25,015.71

QCCCC Agenda Item

4.3 Executive Director's Report

July 7, 2015

To: Commissioners

From: Karen George, Executive Director

Subject: Executive Director's Report

2014 Audit

The 2014 audit report is complete and will be presented to the commission for action at the August meeting.

Programming and Playback

The commission has completed the programming and playback annual review. Programming services continue in alignment with the strategic plan and staff has completed updating the playback guidelines.

Minnesota legislative update

Attached to this report is the MACTA Legislative Summary. As noted at the last commission meeting, the sales tax exemption for joint powers organizations is further delayed to January 2017 for implementation.

Monthly reports

Attached to this agenda item are the operations and technology updates and the May statistical report.

Action Requested: None.

MACTA 2015 LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

**Joseph T. Bagnoli
Sarah J. Psick**

GENERAL OVERVIEW OF THE 2015 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

2015 Regular Legislative Session Summary

On January 6, 2015, the regular legislative session commenced with Democrat Mark Dayton re-elected as Governor; a returning DFL Senate majority, and a newly elected Republican majority in the House, thus ending the DFL single party control that had existed the prior two years. While one-party control has its own set of challenges, the last time Minnesota had divided government in 2011, the state went into a 21-day government shutdown. Starting out, the Governor and legislative leadership pledged to work together and finish the work on time. Unfortunately, that was not the case.

The constitutional obligation of the Legislature for the 2015 legislative session was to pass a state budget for the next biennium, before June 30. For the first time in several years, the Minnesota Management and Budget department projected a budget surplus of \$1.869 billion for the fiscal 2016-2017 biennium. Governor Dayton budget placed priorities on early education, investments in broadband development grants, increased funding for higher education, and an aggressive transportation funding proposal which included a gas tax increase. The Senate DFL budget priorities largely followed the Governor's recommendations and specifically focused on transportation funding. In contrast, the House Republicans targeted approximately \$2 billion for tax relief and cuts, while also supporting transportation funding – but, without a gas tax increase.

In the end, all sides agreed to set aside any major transportation funding initiatives, and the House Republicans agreed to wait for any major tax relief. This left approximately \$1 billion on the bottom line. The remaining budget bills were negotiated; however, the Senate Majority Leader and Speaker of the House cut the final deal without the approval of the Governor. As the session ended, all the major general fund budget bills passed before the constitutional deadline of Monday, May 18 (the legacy funding bill and bonding bill were not passed.) However, the Governor vetoed three of the budget bills: the omnibus education finance bill, the omnibus environment and agriculture finance bill, and the omnibus jobs, economic development and energy finance bill.

2015 Special Session Legislative Summary

In the vetoed bills, the major sticking points included the level of education funding, policy provisions in the environment bill, and repeal of previously passed language relating to the State Auditor. As the deadline of June 30 and a potential state government shutdown loomed, the Governor and all legislative leaders announced an agreement on the remaining budget and policy issues. The Governor called a Special Session for June 12, 2015.

There were several speed bumps along the way, but all of the bills were passed without amendment as agreed upon by the leaders. Five major bills were passed during the

special session – omnibus E-12 education finance, omnibus bonding bill, omnibus legacy funding bill, omnibus environment and agriculture finance, and the omnibus jobs, economic development and energy finance bill.

Renovation of the Capitol building required that for the first time since 1905, the House and Senate held a legislative session outside of the Capitol building. The Special Session was historic when the House and Senate bodies convened in the State Office Building with committee hearing rooms being converted into legislative chambers. With no electronic vote recording equipment or voting boards, all votes were tallied by a verbal calling of the roll. For legislators, staff, lobbyists and the public, this was a very unique Special Session.

At the end of the regular legislative session, Representative Ryan Winkler (DFL, St. Louis Park) announced that he was resigning and moving with his family to Brussels for his wife's career, Governor Dayton has set November 3, 2015 for a special election to fill the seat. Also, while the 2016 election is over 18-months away, Senator Julianne Ortman (R, Chanhassen) has already announced that she will not be seeking re-election. Finally, Senator Branden Peterson (R-Andover) also recently announced his intention to retire after the 2016 session.

The 2016 legislative session is set to convene on Tuesday, March 8, 2016.

I. LEGISLATION THAT BECAME LAW

**Omnibus Jobs and Economic Development Finance Bill
HF 3 (Garafolo) – SF 2 (Tomassoni)
Minnesota Laws 2015 Special Session Chapter 1 – Art. 1, Sect. 3, subd. 9**

This legislation contained provisions relating to: (1) the Broadband Development office, and (2) border-to-border broadband development grants. Below is the full text from the omnibus bill relative to these provisions. Following the legislative language is a little legislative history with respect to each of these items.

<i>Subd. 9. Broadband Development</i>	FY 2016	FY2017
	\$10,838,000	\$250,000

(a) \$250,000 each year is for the Broadband Development Office.

(b)(1) \$10,588,000 in fiscal year 2016 is for deposit in the border-to-border broadband fund account created under Minnesota Statutes, section 116J.396, and may be used for the purposes provided in Minnesota Statutes, section 116J.395. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2017.

(2) Of the appropriation in clause (1), up to three percent of this amount is for costs incurred by the commissioner to administer Minnesota Statutes, section 116J.395. Administrative costs may include the following activities related to measuring progress toward the state's broadband goals established in Minnesota Statutes, section 16.23

- (i) collecting broadband deployment data from Minnesota providers, verifying its accuracy through on-the-ground testing, and creating state and county maps available to the public showing the availability of broadband service at various upload and download speeds throughout Minnesota;*
- (ii) analyzing the deployment data collected to help inform future investments in broadband infrastructure; and*
- (iii) conducting business and residential surveys that measure broadband adoption and use in the state.*

(3) Data provided by a broadband provider under this paragraph is nonpublic data under Minnesota Statutes, section 13.02, subdivision 9. Maps produced under this paragraph are public data under Minnesota Statutes, section 13.03.

Broadband Development Office

Governor Dayton's budget funded the Office at the same levels contained in the final bill. The House did not include any funding for the Office, and the Senate bill did provide funding for the Office. The bill that was passed and vetoed at the end of the regular session took the Senate position and included funding for the Office at the levels recommended by the Governor. Going into special session, there was never much doubt that the office would be funded at the level the Governor had recommended.

Border-to-Border Broadband Development Grants

In 2014, legislation was enacted that created the "Border-to-Border infrastructure Grant Program" that is administered by the Office of Broadband Development, which is housed in the Department of Employment and Economic Development ("DEED"). In 2014, \$20 million in one-time funds was appropriated to the program.

Governor Dayton's budget called for \$30 million of general fund dollars to be appropriated to this program. Moreover, he mentioned the importance of broadband infrastructure in his state-of-the-state speech.

In the legislature, two bills were introduced that appropriated general fund dollars to the Border-to-Border Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program. One appropriates \$100 million, the other \$50 million.

\$100 million appropriated. HF 556 – Johnson, S, Simonson, Metsa, Lien
SF 439 – Schmit, Tomassoni, Sparks, Dahms, Westrom

\$50 million appropriated HF 593 – Kresha, Johnson, S., Backer, Nornes, Urdahl
SF 1260 – Gazelka, Saxhaug

The original Senate bill included \$10,588,000 in one-time funding for broadband infrastructure – the same amount that eventually became law. The House bill did not contain any unrestricted funding for the Grant program. Instead, it provided a grant of \$2 million to a city for a broadband infrastructure and other eligible expense for a wire-line broadband infrastructure demonstration project that is part of a public-private partnership. As written, only one city – Annandale – would qualify for the grant. In the end, funding for this one city was removed and the Senate position prevailed.

Prior to the end of the regular session, MACTA and other organizations, submitted a letter supporting broadband infrastructure funding.

**Omnibus E-12 Education Funding Bill – Delay of Sales Tax Exemption
HF 844 (Loon) – SF 811 (Wiger) (*Vetoed by Governor Dayton*)**

**Special Session HF 1 (Loon) – Special Session SF 3 (Wiger)
Minnesota Laws Special Session 2015 Chapter 3 Art. 6, Sec. 7**

In the 2014, legislation was enacted that granted a sales tax exemption for purchases made by joint powers entities and other special taxing districts. The exemption was set to take effect on January 1, 2016.

This year, at the very end of the regular session, with no bill ever being introduced and no committee hearings, a provision was inserted in the omnibus education finance bill that delayed the implementation of the sales tax exemption for one-year to January 1, 2017.

Governor Dayton vetoed this bill because he disagreed with the level of funding for schools and early education. As negotiations were taking place prior to the special session, representatives of the League of Minnesota Cities, Association of Counties, and other local government organizations urged the Legislature and Governor to not include the delay in a revised bill. Unfortunately, the “savings” from the delayed implementation was counted in the budget negotiations and the language was included.

II. LEGISLATION THAT DID NOT BECOME LAW

Two bills were introduced this session that, if enacted, would have dramatically changed regulation of telecommunications in Minnesota.

**Minnesota Telephone Alliance (MTA) / Century Link Bill
HF 1066 (Kresha) - SF 736 (Sparks)**

This legislation essentially would have allowed current ILECs to opt to be regulated like a CLEC. The bill did not impact cable regulation, or change definitions of the type of service defined as being regulated by Chapter 237, which governs telecommunications. This legislation generated significant opposition by the Attorney General, the Department of Commerce, AARP, Legal Aid and a variety of other consumer groups. All felt that this legislation would have allowed the traditional safety net that current ILECs provide to be unilaterally removed.

The bill, after being amended, was sent to the House floor on a straight party line vote. It was never brought up on the House floor for a vote. The language of the bill was not included in the House Omnibus Jobs and Economic Development bill. In the Senate, the language of the bill was folded into the “VOIP bill,” but not included in the Senate companion to the House Omnibus Jobs and Economic Development Bill.

The last version of the language supported by industry is found in the Senate bill that merged the VOIP bill and the MTA bill. This language is attached below.

https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/text.php?number=SF736&version=1&session=ls89&session_year=2015&session_number=0&format=pdf

**VOIP – ATT / MN Cable Ass’n Bill
HF 776 (Sanders) – SF 895 (Sparks)**

This legislation prohibited any unit of government from regulating voice, data or video if it was delivered using internet protocol. As introduced, the bill was sweeping and generated even greater hostility from the Attorney General, the Department of Commerce and consumer groups. The Attorney General had a press conference flanked by citizens in which she decried the legislation as an attack on seniors and poor people.

In the bill’s first hearings in the House and Senate committees, a MACTA sponsored amendment was added to the bill, which explicitly indicated that this bill did not include within its ambit video provided by cable service providers even if the video was provided by internet protocol. The House bill with the MACTA amended is attached below. The MACTA amendment reads as follows:

Subd. 4. Exemption

The following services delivered by IP-enabled services are not regulated under this chapter:

- (1) Video services provided by a cable communications system, as defined in section 238.02, subdivision 3; or
- (2) Cable services, as defined in United States Code, title 47, section 522, clause (6); or
- (3) Any other IP-enabled video service.

The HF 776 with the MACTA amendment is set out below in the attached link. The MACTA language begins on Line 2.28 of the bill:

<http://wdoc.house.leg.state.mn.us/leg/LS89/HF0776.1.pdf>

This legislation, as amended, was folded into the House Omnibus Jobs and Economic Development bill. The language was not included in the Senate companion and the compromise bill did not contain this language.

Again, the last version of the language supported by industry is found in the Senate bill that merged the VOIP bill and the MTA bill. This language is attached below.

https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/text.php?number=SF736&version=1&session=ls89&session_year=2015&session_number=0&format=pdf

**Municipal Telephone Exchange – Majority Vote
SF 2746 (Schmit)**

Current law requires a 65 percent approval in a referendum in order for a city establish a “telephone exchange” if a local exchange already exists. This legislation changed the requirement from a sixty five percent vote to a simple majority vote for a municipality to construct and operate a new telephone exchange. This legislation was not heard in either body; however, in the Senate Agriculture and Rural Development Committee, when the MTA bill and the VOIP bill were merged, Senator Schmit successfully offered an amendment to the merged bill that eliminated the majority vote requirement.

The language can be found beginning on lines 5.26 of the bill which is found at the link below.

https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/text.php?number=SF736&version=1&session=ls89&session_year=2015&session_number=0&format=pdf

**Broadband Infrastructure and Bonding
HF1900 (Simonson) - SF 1101 (Schmit)**

This bill sought to provide increased flexibility for public-private partnerships for the purpose of utilizing local and state bonding for broadband infrastructure. The bill further authorized the creation of special service districts for broadband that were similar to a watershed or park district. The bill did not receive a hearing in either the House or Senate.

The bill language of HF 1900 / SF 1100 can be found at this link:

https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/text.php?number=SF1101&version=0&session=ls89&session_year=2015&session_number=0&format=pdf

**Expanding the Sales Tax Exemption for Telecommunications Equipment
SF 1186 (Koenen – HF 53 (Davids))**

This bill, which was broadly supported by the cable and telecommunications industry, expanded the sales tax exemption for capital equipment to include “wire, cable, fiber,

poles, or conduit for telecommunications.” Proponents argued that this sales tax exemption would help Minnesota compete with other states that had this exemption when corporations with a national footprint made infrastructure investment decisions. The cost of this provision was \$4.2 million for the biennium.

The bills was heard in both the both the House and Senate Tax Committee. It was included in the Senate Tax bill, but not included in the House Tax bill. Session ended with no tax bill passing and commitments by legislative leadership to pass a tax bill in 2016. Consequently, this issue will reappear in 2016.

The bill language of SF 1186 / HF 53 can be found at this link:

https://www.revisor.mn.gov/bills/text.php?version=latest&session=ls89&number=SF1186&session_year=2015&session_number=0&format=pdf

Local Referenda related to Spending Must be held in November Election SF 1711 (Kiffmeyer) – HF 922 (Drazkowski)

This bill requires elections on city, county, and school district referenda questions related to spending to be conducted on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of even- or odd-numbered years, to coincide with the annual general election date. Thus, the bill also, struck the option for a special election on decision of a city to establish a telephone exchange and specifies that an election be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of either an even-numbered or odd-numbered year.

This bill was never heard in the Senate. The language of this bill was included in the House Omnibus Tax bill. Since a tax bill did not pass, this did not become law. It will be an issue next year. The League of Minnesota Cities is closely monitoring this provision.

<http://wdoc.house.leg.state.mn.us/leg/LS89/HF0922.2.pdf>

III. Conclusion

It has been a privilege to represent MACTA at the Capitol again this session. As we move into an election season, we encourage MACTA members to invite legislators and legislative candidates to visit your studios to learn about the services you provide in their community and the value of supporting MACTA members. We are happy to make those connections for you if you would like. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions about the issues included in this report.

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4.3.1 Operations Report

July 7, 2015

To: Karen George, Executive Director

From: Katherine Lenaburg, Operations Manager

Subject: Operations Update

QCTV had yet another busy month. We finished graduation season with Metro North's Graduation. We produced live coverage of the Father Hennepin parade. We produced legion and VFW baseball games. Our production van was also used for "Live and Local: In Bloom" an hour show about gardening and landscaping-we worked with the Anoka County Master Gardeners as well as Mickman Brother's Nursery. We chose a local Andover woman to host the show- Jeorgette Knoll and she did a great job.

Most of the production staff attended the MACTA conference that was held in St. Paul this year. We attended sessions on storytelling, new technology implementation, and a session called "60 Ideas in 60 Minutes" which included ideas on audio, production tips, lighting, script writing, etc. We also heard the NATOA Executive Director Steve Traylor give an update on the industry. This is part of our strategic goal in terms of investing in professional development.

City meetings were covered in four cities as well as the District 11 School Board meeting and Cable Commission meeting. We also covered The State of the County luncheon at Greenhaven Country Club as well as a City of Anoka presentation called "Urban Land Institute- Navigating the New Normal."

We produced our regular monthly programs: "News and Views" and "The Chamber Report". "It's Your History", and "The Sheriffs Show" are in the works. "The Public Safety Show" and "District Court" will be produced in August.

Several promos, including "What's News at The Q" were produced and two PSA's- one called "Road Rage" with Police Chief Dave Kolb and another called "Count to 10" which has to do with being patient before you react to a dog or child that is upsetting.

We produced a show called “Beyond the Book” that features local authors. It is hosted by Anoka County Library Director Marlene Moulton- Janssen. She interviews four local authors who discuss their books and writing styles.

Action: None

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4.3.2 Technology Report

July 1, 2015

To: Karen George, Executive Director

From: Steve Ulrich

Subject: June 2015 Technology Report

Equipment Issues:

QCTV Equipment

Unit QCTV-9 locks up when running Premier. Replace hard drive. Reformat.

Comcast Issues:

- 6/8/2015 – All Comcast services down – cable, phone & internet for several hours in the morning. Service restored just before noon.
- 6/22/2015 – Channel 18, School Channel, dark. The i-Net went down between the school office and the studio. Comcast restored operation later in the day.
- 6/30/2015 i-Net down between Castle Field and Studio which prevented live broadcast of game that day.

Web Site:

- Requested additional information regarding the exact format of the channel feeds they need. Waiting to test.

June Projects:

- Testing continued on Razuna server. Reconfigured to run under Windows 8.1.
- Continued work on SDI switching issue. Initial interface boards completed and tested.

- Continue documentation for new Truck equipment.
- Removed wall cabinet in lobby (that held the 6 monitors). Repaired damaged walls and repainted.

July Planned Projects:

- Continue with remote SDI switching project.
- New web site development. Test video feeds.
- Rework equipment checkout system.
- Database maintenance.
- Install digital asset management server
- Recycle old equipment.

Ongoing Projects:

- NAS file maintenance.
- Equipment documentation.

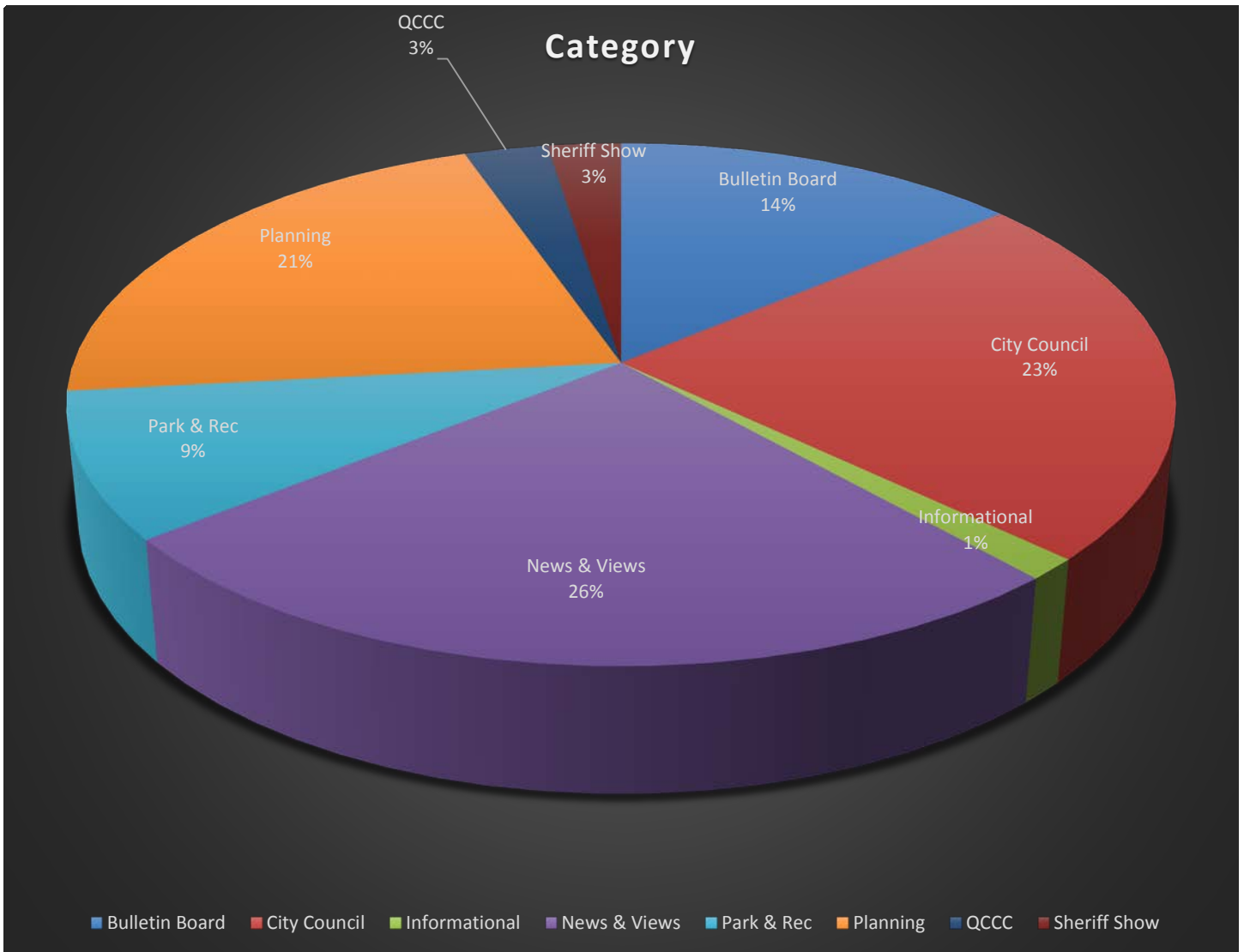
Action: None.

Andover Channel & Web Statistics

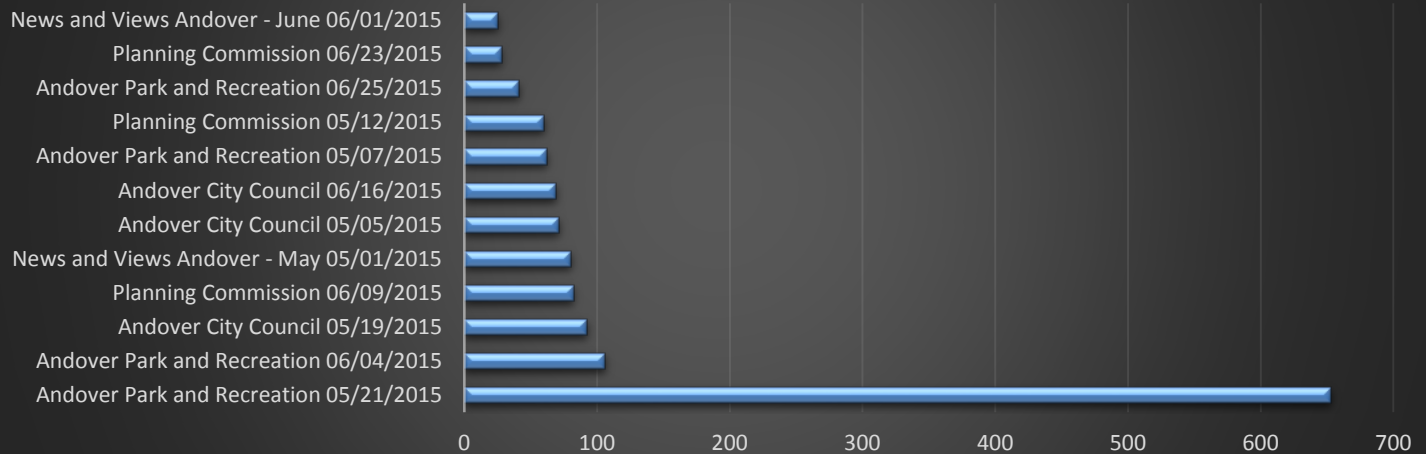
June 2015

Playback:	Shows:	Bulletin Board:	Web Hits:
Total Runs: 1317	New Shows: 10	Total Hours: 99.5	Total Hits: 1369
Total Time: 620.50	New Time: 5.2	Saturation: 13.8%	
Saturation: 86.2%	All Shows: 19	New Andover: 124	
	All Time: 12.36	New All Cities: 741	

Shared With Multiple Cities		
6/18/2015	QCCC 6-18	1.238056
5/21/2015	QCCC 5-21	0.223611
4/30/2015	News and Views - May	1
6/9/2015	News and Views - June	1



Web Hits



Detail

Title	Event Date	Category	Length-d	Runs	Total-d
The Sheriff Show May and June **	5/5/2015	Sheriff Show	0.5000	36	18.0000
Public Safety Talk 2-13	3/24/2015	Public Safety Show	0.5000	2	1.0000
QCCC 6-18 **	6/18/2015	QCCC	1.2381	20	15.9040
City Council Meeting Andover 5-19	5/19/2015	City Council	1.0900	13	14.1700
News and Views - May **	4/30/2015	News & Views	1.0000	16	16.0000
QCCC 5-21 **	5/21/2015	QCCC	0.2236	20	4.4722
Parks and Recreation Meeting Andover 6-25	6/25/2015	Park & Rec	1.0758	25	26.8958
Pollinator Crisis - Kameron Kytonen	3/12/2015	Informational	0.0244	1	0.0244
Planning Commission Andover 6-23	6/23/2015	Planning	1.5414	30	46.2417
City Council Meeting Andover 6-16	6/16/2015	City Council	0.7006	113	79.1628
Andover City Update 7-10	7/10/2014	Informational	0.2583	37	9.5583
News and Views June **	6/9/2015	News & Views	1.0000	46	46.0000
Planning Commission Andover 5-12	5/12/2015	Planning	0.5792	65	37.6458
Planning Commission Meeting Andover 6-9	6/9/2015	Planning	0.6353	110	69.8806
City Council Andover 6-2	6/2/2015	City Council	0.6081	121	73.5747
Park And Recreation Andover 6-4	6/5/2015	Park & Rec	0.1111	166	18.4444
News and Views - Andover Segment June	6/9/2015	News & Views	0.2622	343	89.9422
Park and Recreation Andover 5-21	5/21/2015	Park & Rec	0.7528	26	19.5722
News and Views May-Andover Segment	4/30/2015	News & Views	0.2678	127	34.0078
** Shard with multiple cities			12.3686	1317	620.4971

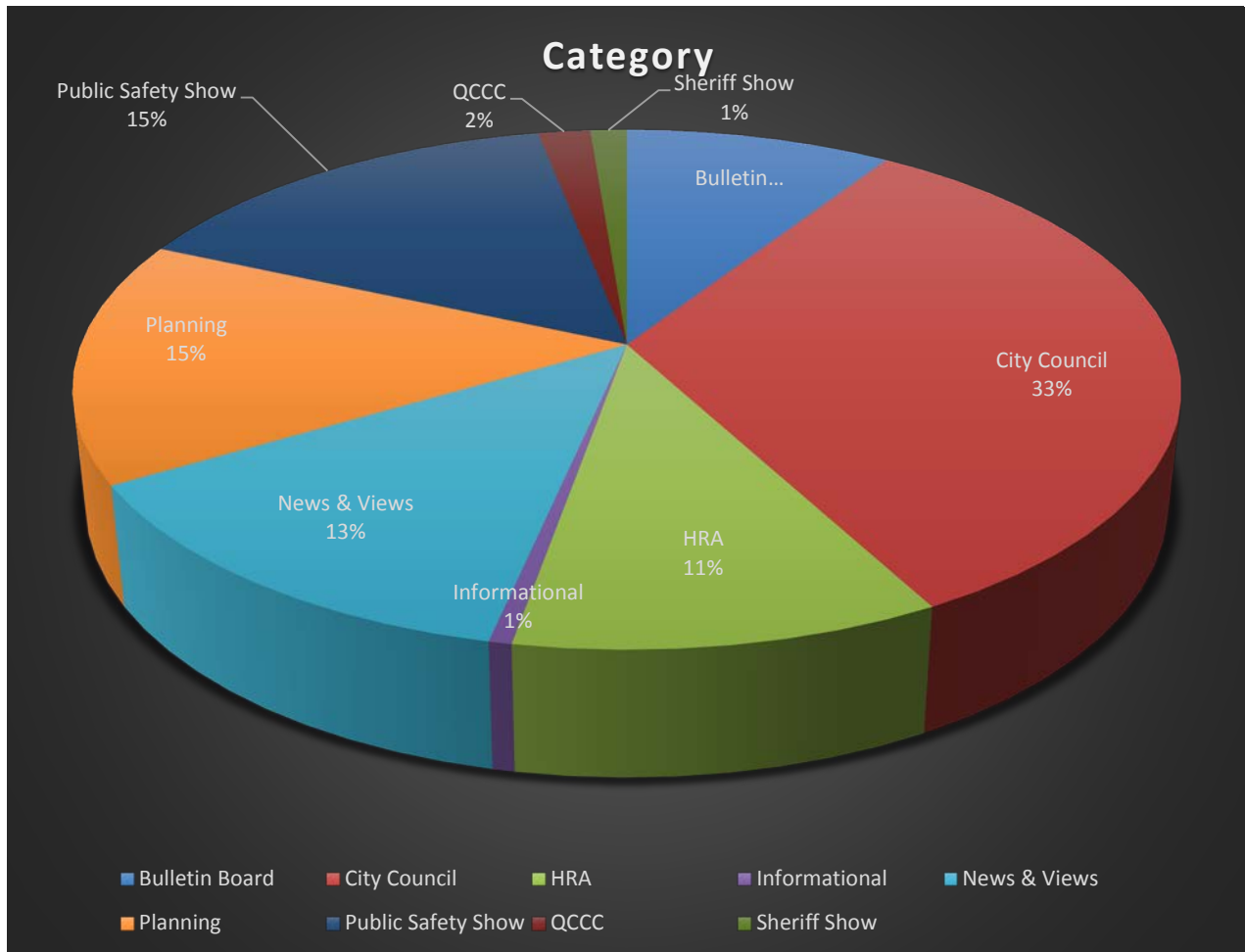
Total Programming Hours:	620.4975
Total Bulletin Board Hours:	99.5025
Total Runs:	1317
June Total Time:	720
Web Hits:	1369

Anoka Channel & Web Statistics

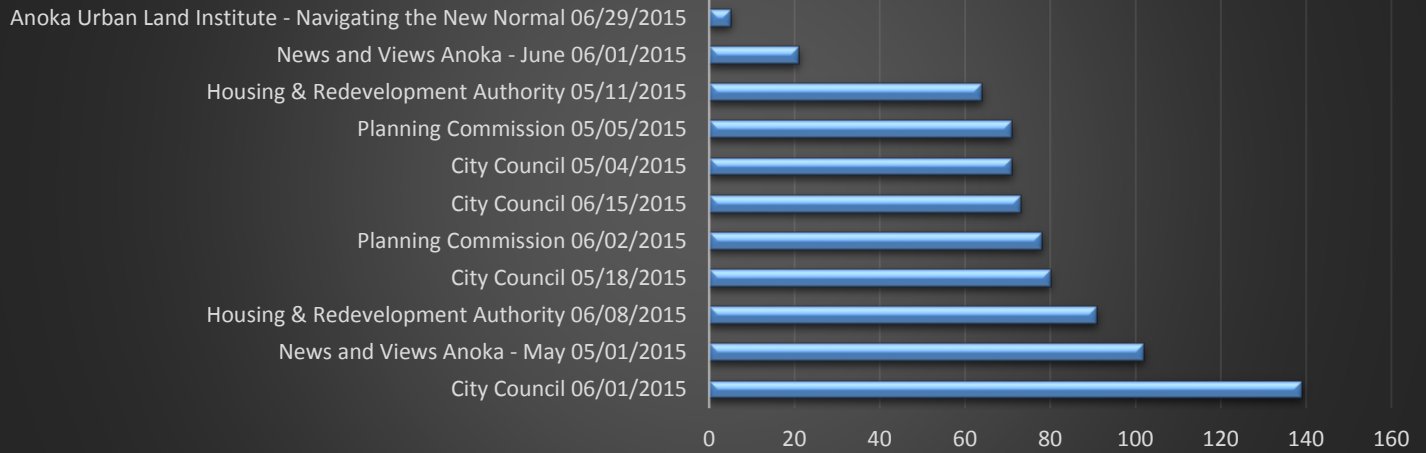
June 2015

Playback:		Shows:		Bulletin Board:		Web Hits:	
Total Runs	924	New Shows	11	Total Hours:	76.5	Total Hits:	795
Total Time:	643.5	New Time:	9.03	Saturation:	10.6%		
Saturation:	89.4%	All Shows:	20	New Anoka:	124		
		All Time:	17.57	New All Cities:	741		

Shared With Multiple Cities		
5/21/2015	QCCC 5-21	0.2236
4/8/2015	Anoka-Champlin Fire Board 4-8	0.8681
6/18/2015	QCCC 6-18	1.2381
6/9/2015	News and Views - June	1.0000
4/30/2015	News and Views - May	1.0000
5/5/2015	The Sheriff Show May and June	0.5000
6/5/2015	Public Safety Talk 6-5	0.5000
3/24/2015	Public Safety Talk 2-13	0.5000



Web Hits



Detail

Title	Event Date	Category	Length-d	Runs	Total-d
HRA Commission Anoka 6-8	6/8/2015	HRA	0.4936	129	63.6758
Anoka Urban Land Institute - Navigating the New Normal	6/29/2015	Informational	1.9456	2	3.8911
Anoka-Champlin Fire Board 4-8 **	4/8/2015	Informational	0.8681	1	0.8681
City Council Anoka 5-18	5/18/2015	City Council	2.1467	2	4.2933
News and Views - Anoka June	6/9/2015	News & Views	0.2161	130	28.0944
City Council Anoka 6-1	6/2/2015	City Council	0.8319	116	96.5056
City Council Meeting Anoka 6-15	6/15/2015	City Council	1.7275	101	174.4775
News and Views May-Anoka Segment	4/30/2015	News & Views	0.2639	77	20.3194
Planning Commission 5-5	5/5/2015	Planning	2.6244	11	28.8689
Planning Commission 6-2	6/2/2015	Planning	0.5783	169	97.7383
QCCC 6-18 **	6/18/2015	QCCC	1.2381	9	11.1425
News and Views June **	6/9/2015	News & Views	1.0000	45	45.0000
Anoka PSA Day	3/10/2015	PSA	0.0986	11	1.0847
QCCC 5-21 **	5/21/2015	QCCC	0.2236	17	3.8010
News and Views - May **	4/30/2015	News & Views	1.0000	16	16.0000
The Sheriff Show May and June **	5/5/2015	Sheriff Show	0.5000	21	10.5000
Public Safety Talk 6-5 **	6/5/2015	Public Safety Show	0.5000	21	10.5000
Housing & Redevelopment Authority 5-11	5/11/2015	HRA	0.5858	43	25.1908
Public Safety Talk 2-13 **	3/24/2015	Public Safety Show	0.5000	3	1.5000
** Shared with multiple cities			17.3422	924	643.4516

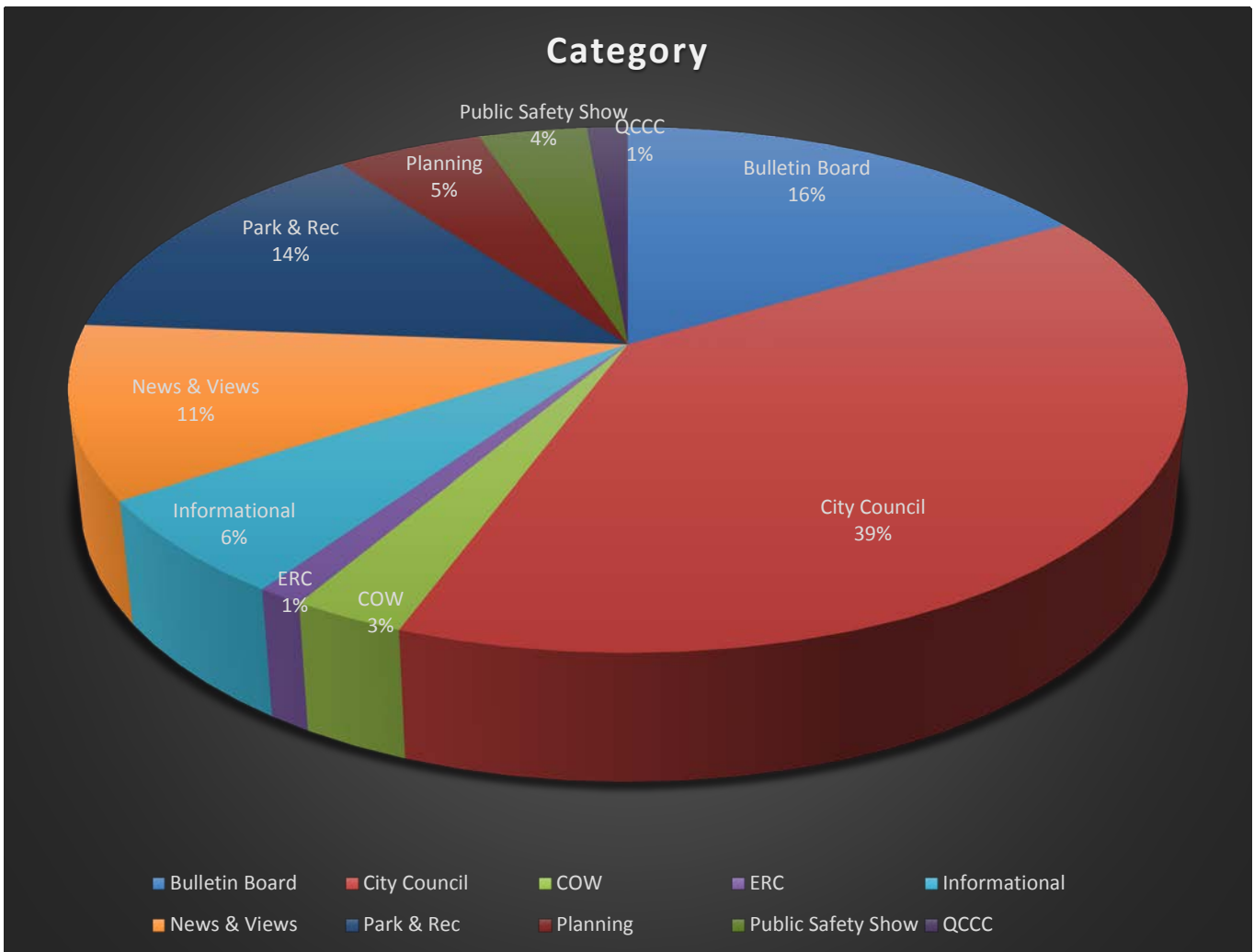
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Total Bulletin Board Hours:	76.5484
Total Runs:	924
Total June Hours:	720
Web Hits:	795

Champlin Channel & Web Statistics

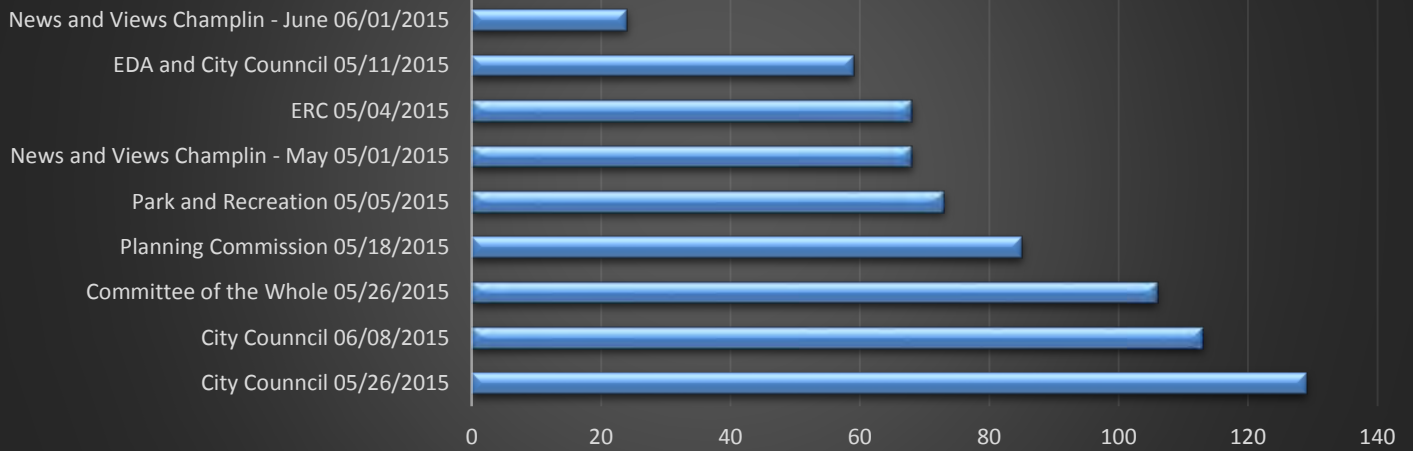
June 2015

Playback:	Shows:	Bulletin Board:	Web Hits:
Total Runs: 1066	New Shows: 7	Total Hours: 118.7	Total Hits: 725
Total Time: 601.2	New Time: 5.8	Saturation: 16.5%	
Saturation: 83.5%	All Shows: 19	New Champlin: 106	
	All Time: 11.6	New All Cities: 741	

Shared With Multiple Cities		
4/30/2015	News and Views - May	1.0000
4/8/2015	Anoka-Champlin Fire Board 4-8	0.8681
6/18/2015	QCCC 6-18	1.2381
6/5/2015	Public Safety Talk 6-5	0.5000
5/21/2015	QCCC 5-21	0.2236
6/9/2015	News and Views June	1.0000



Web Hits



Detail

Title	Event Date	Category	Length-d	Runs	Total-d
News and Views - May **	4/30/2015	News & Views	1.0000	14	14.0000
Environmental Resources Commission 5-4	5/4/2015	ERC	0.4400	19	8.3600
Public Safety Building Tour	1/14/2014	Informational	0.0564	1	0.0564
Anoka-Champlin Fire Board 4-8 **	4/8/2015	Informational	0.8681	1	0.8681
QCCC 6-18 **	6/18/2015	QCCC	1.2381	5	6.1903
Public Saftey Talk 6-5 **	6/5/2015	Public Safety Show	0.5000	12	6.0000
Park and Recreation Champlin 5-5	5/5/2015	Park & Rec	0.6592	12	7.9100
Quad Cities Cable Commission 5-21 **	5/21/2015	QCCC	0.2236	17	3.8070
Planning Commission Champlin 5-18	5/19/2015	Planning	0.2842	127	36.0892
News and Views May-Champlin Segment	4/30/2015	News & Views	0.1678	10	1.6778
Park and Recreation 6-2	6/2/2015	Park & Rec	0.3381	268	90.5989
City Council Meeting Champlin 6-8	6/8/2015	City Council	0.7997	151	120.7581
Champlin Department Update	11/13/2014	Informational	0.4167	102	42.5000
City Council Champlin 5-26	5/26/2015	City Council	0.8353	68	56.7989
City Council Champlin 6-22	6/22/2015	City Council	1.5822	66	104.4267
Committee of the Whole Champlin 5-26	5/26/2015	COW	0.3617	56	20.2533
News and Views - Champlin - June	6/9/2015	News & Views	0.3164	52	16.4522
News and Views June **	6/9/2015	News & Views	1.0000	44	44.0000
Public Safety Talk 2-13	1/13/2015	Public Safety Show	0.5000	41	20.5000
			11.5872	1066	601.2467

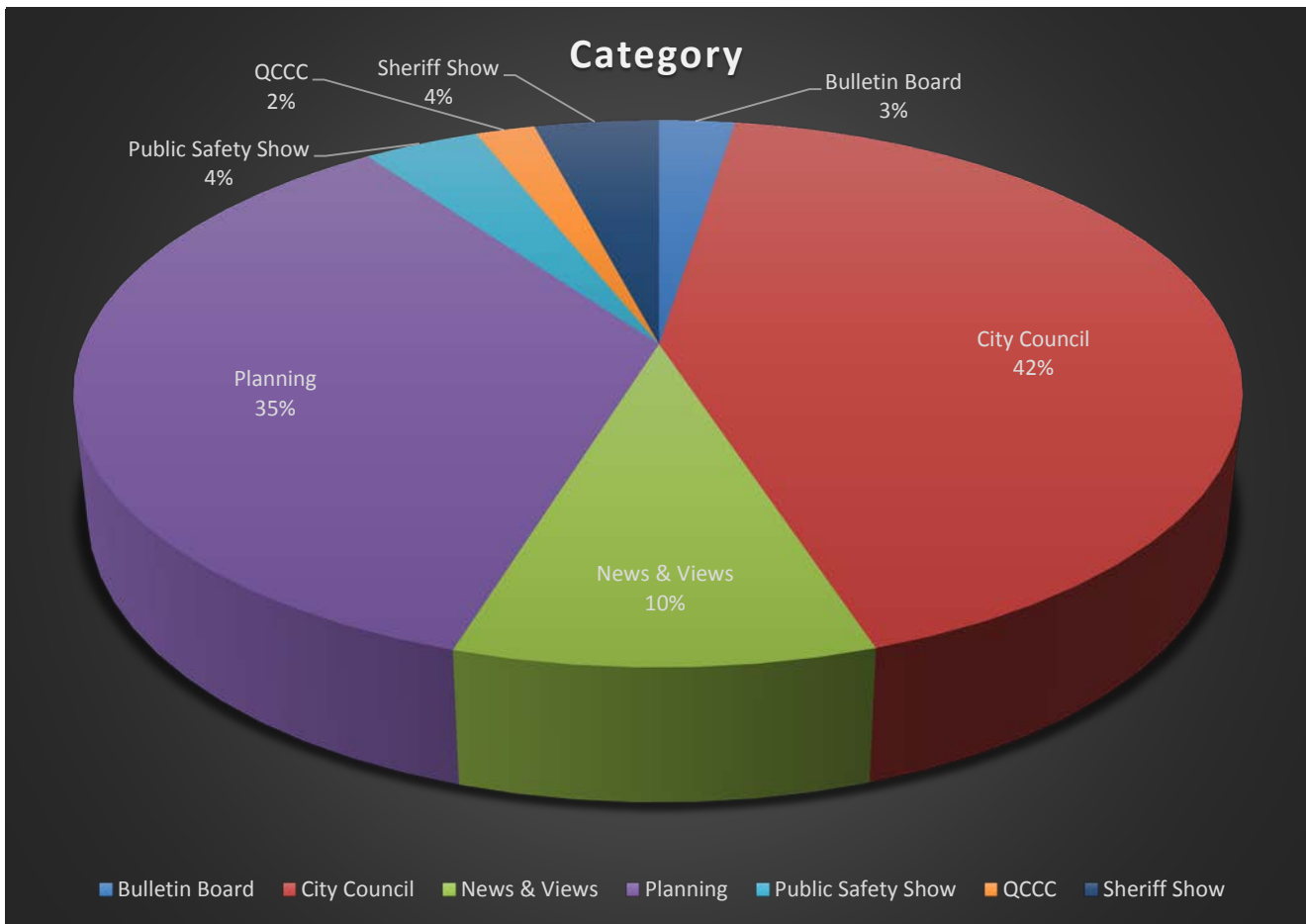
Total Programming Hours: 601.2411
Total Bulletin Board Hours: 118.7589
Total Runs: 1066
June Total Time: 720
Web Hits: 725

Ramsey Channel & Web Statistics

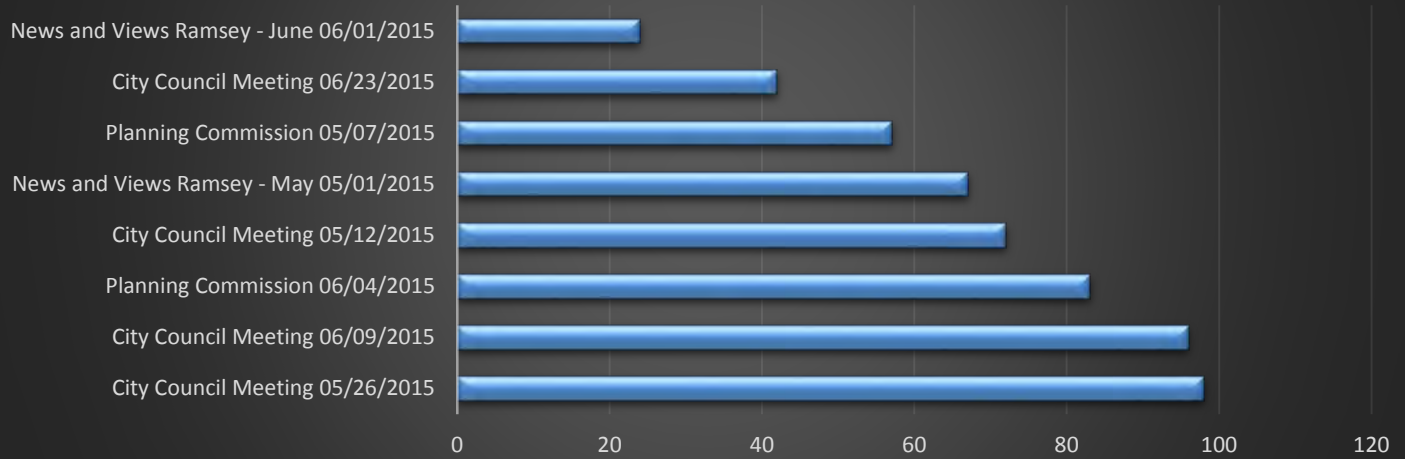
June 2015

Playback:	Shows:	Bulletin Board:	Web Hits:
Total Runs: 530	New Shows: 7	Total Hours: 17.95	Total Hits: 539
Total Time: 702.04	New Time: 9.5	Saturation: 2.5%	
Saturation: 97.5%	All Shows: 13	New Ramsey: 139	
	All Time: 13.8	New All Cities: 741	

Shared With Multiple Cities		
6/18/2015	QCCC 6-18	1.2381
5/21/2015	QCCC 5-21	0.2236
3/24/2015	Public Safety Talk 2-13	0.5000
4/30/2015	News and Views - May	1.0000
6/5/2015	Public Safety Talk 6-5	0.5000
5/5/2015	The Sheriff Show May and June	0.5000



Web Hits



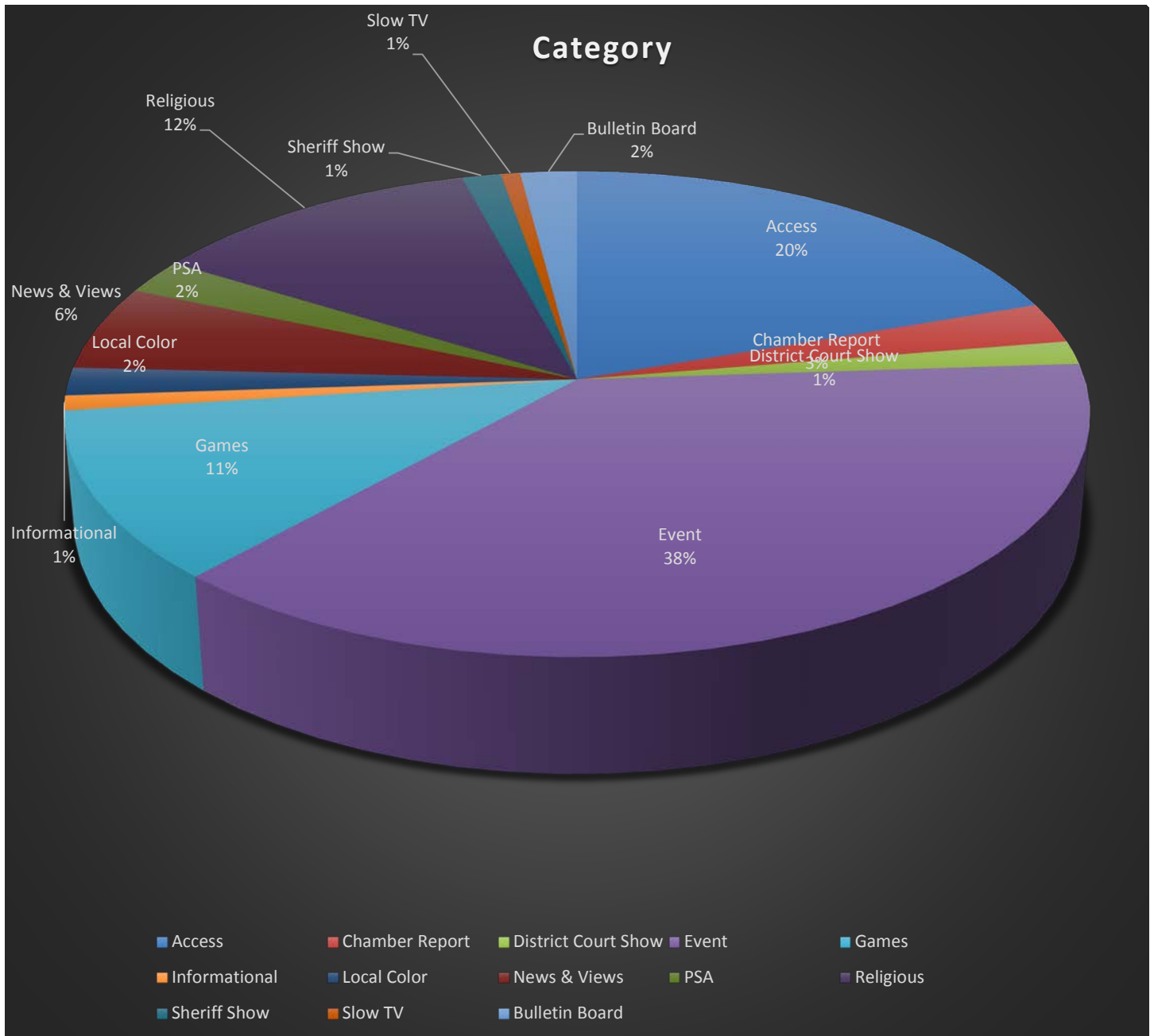
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Title	Event Date	Category	Length-d	Runs	Total-d
News and Views June **	6/9/2015	News & Views	1.0000	43	43.0000
QCCC 6-18 **	6/18/2015	QCCC	1.2381	9	11.1425
QCCC 5-21 **	5/21/2015	QCCC	0.2236	13	2.9069
Public Safety Talk 2-13 **	3/24/2015	Public Safety Show	0.5000	14	7.0000
News and Views - May **	4/30/2015	News & Views	1.0000	14	14.0000
Public Safety Talk 6-5 **	6/5/2015	Public Safety Show	0.5000	41	20.5000
City Council Meeting Ramsey 6-23	6/23/2015	City Council	1.4472	47	68.0194
News and Views - Ramsey June	6/9/2015	News & Views	0.2694	51	13.7417
City Council Meeting Ramsey 6-9	6/9/2015	City Council	2.6431	52	137.4389
City Council Ramsey 5-26	5/26/2015	City Council	1.7906	56	100.2711
The Sheriff Show May and June **	5/5/2015	Sheriff Show	0.5000	59	29.5000
Planning Commission Ramsey 6-4	6/5/2015	Planning	2.4158	102	246.4150
Planning Commission 5-7	5/7/2015	Planning	0.2797	29	8.1119
			13.8075	530	702.0475

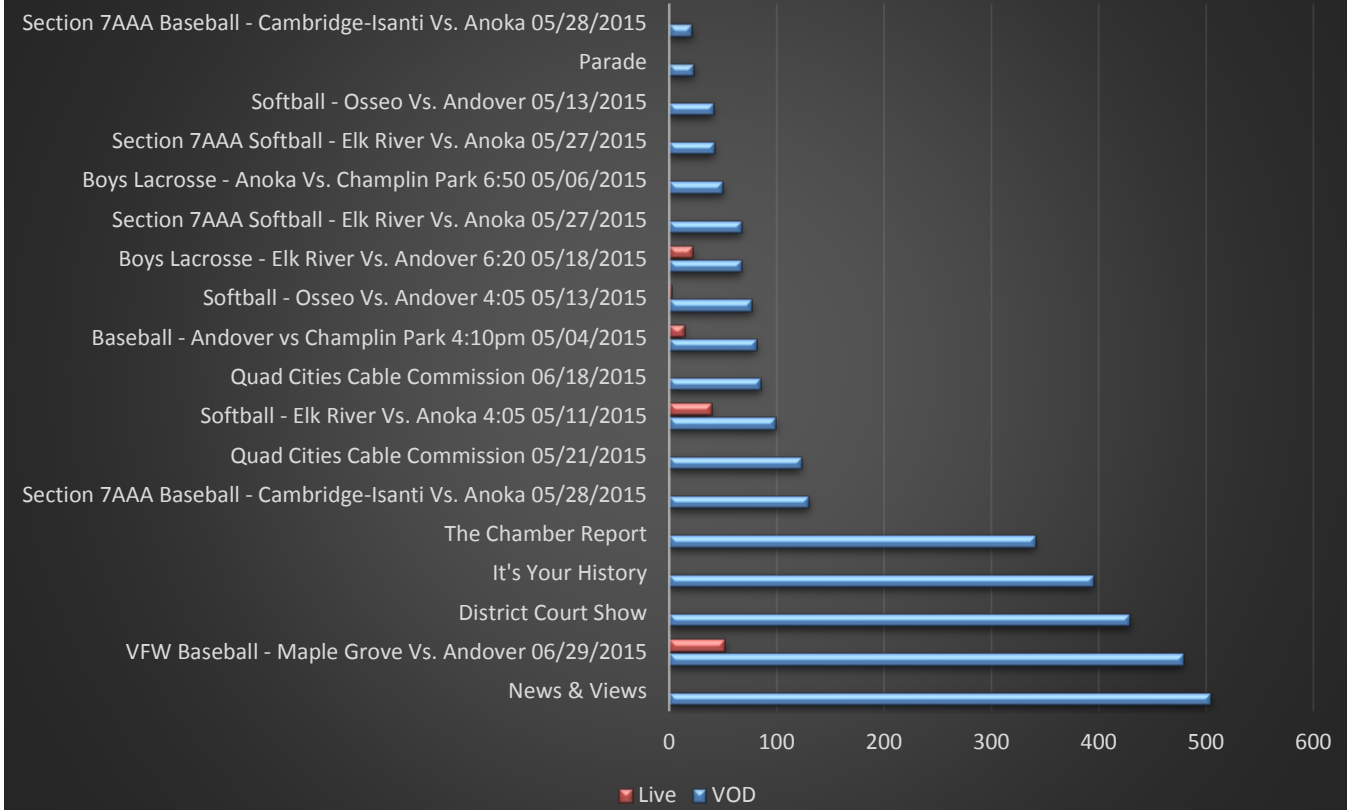
Total Programming Hours: 702.048
Total Bulletin Board Hours: 17.9525
Total Runs: 530
June Total Time: 720
Web Hits: 539

Community Channel 15 June 2015

Playback:		Shows:		Bulletin Board:		Web Hits:	
Total Runs:	1197	New Shows	71	Total Hours	14.46	Total VOD Hits:	3054
Total Time:	705.5	New Time:	68.91	Saturation:	2.1%	Total Live Hits:	129
Saturation:	97.9%	All Shows:	150	New Bulletins	124		
		All Time:	121	All Bulletins	741		



Web Hits



- Detail available upon request

June 2015 YouTube Statistics

Total Views: 1188
Minutes Watched: 7481

Detail

Video	Views	Minutes Watched	Avg Min Watched
Courage: A Tale of Two Women	178 (15%)	1428 (19%)	8:01
It's Your History – Fridley Tornado	148 (13%)	1422 (19%)	9:36
Road Rage	103 (8.7%)	170 (2.3%)	1:38
It's Your History - Anoka State Hospital	94 (7.9%)	591 (7.9%)	6:17
Live and Local: In Bloom!	87 (7.3%)	939 (13%)	10:47
Champlin Park Cluster Band Concert	86 (7.2%)	546 (7.3%)	6:21
Regan Moves	47 (4.0%)	191 (2.6%)	4:04
Antique Appraisal with Mark F Moran	41 (3.5%)	779 (10%)	19:00
News and Views June	38 (3.2%)	108 (1.4%)	2:51
It's Your History - The 1st Minnesota Infantry of the Civil War	35 (2.9%)	378 (5.1%)	10:47
Rebel Classic Marching Bands 2014	34 (2.9%)	203 (2.7%)	5:58
In the Game	33 (2.8%)	98 (1.3%)	2:58
News and Views - May	22 (1.9%)	24 (0.3%)	1:06
Anoka County Sheriff Show – March & April 2015	21 (1.8%)	30 (0.4%)	1:25
Professional Karate Studios	20 (1.7%)	33 (0.4%)	1:38
Chamber Report - May	20 (1.7%)	48 (0.6%)	2:23
Anoka County Sheriff, James Stuart - Law Enforcement Memorial Speech	16 (1.3%)	42 (0.6%)	2:37
Anoka County Sheriff Show - May and June 2015	13 (1.1%)	46 (0.6%)	3:31
A Club Banquet 2015	12 (1.0%)	16 (0.2%)	1:20
Live and Local Hometown Holiday	11 (0.9%)	25 (0.3%)	2:15
Turn off the Device PSA	11 (0.9%)	12 (0.2%)	1:03
Buzzer Beater: Centennial @ Andover, Girls Basketball – February 5th, 2015	9 (0.8%)	9 (0.1%)	0:57
Twin Cities Comcast subscribers, has your cable quit working?	9 (0.8%)	6 (0.1%)	0:40
District Court Show HD 6 3 2015 Leslie 6 4 2015	6 (0.5%)	19 (0.3%)	3:12
Sheriff Show Dec 2014/Jan 2015	6 (0.5%)	39 (0.5%)	6:30
Fire of the Heart ... an Andover Couples Journey	6 (0.5%)	8 (0.1%)	1:20
The Local Show Show PILOT HD Leslie 4 6 2015	6 (0.5%)	15 (0.2%)	2:28
Chamber Report June	6 (0.5%)	10 (0.1%)	1:43
The Serakos Story	5 (0.4%)	13 (0.2%)	2:38
It's Your History December Civil War	4 (0.3%)	53 (0.7%)	13:21
News & Views April	4 (0.3%)	12 (0.2%)	2:57
Sex Trafficking PSA	4 (0.3%)	2 (0.0%)	0:30
NATOA Overall Excellence	3 (0.3%)	14 (0.2%)	4:37
Its Your History October 2014	3 (0.3%)	52 (0.7%)	17:11
Anoka County Sheriff's Award Ceremony 02-17-20 15	3 (0.3%)	21 (0.3%)	7:09
Anoka County Reserve Graduation 2015	3 (0.3%)	22 (0.3%)	7:20

Tiger Scouts	3 (0.3%)	0 (0.0%)	0:07
Overall Excellence Submission	3 (0.3%)	9 (0.1%)	2:58
NMMA Candidate Forum - District 35 A	2 (0.2%)	2 (0.0%)	1:09
Child Safety Awareness	2 (0.2%)	1 (0.0%)	0:22
Serakos Story Clip - N&V Version	2 (0.2%)	0 (0.0%)	0:07
State of the County Chamber Luncheon	2 (0.2%)	0 (0.0%)	0:14
LWV ABC Water Resources Water Supply and Environmental Integrity	2 (0.2%)	15 (0.2%)	7:31
News and Views HD October 2014	2 (0.2%)	1 (0.0%)	0:43
Live and Local: Lets Get Fit!	2 (0.2%)	2 (0.0%)	1:04
Anoka Co-op	2 (0.2%)	7 (0.1%)	3:25
CarWash Water PSA	2 (0.2%)	3 (0.0%)	1:30
Andover Mayor and Council Ward 1 & 2 Forum Candidate Forum	1 (0.1%)	0 (0.0%)	0:02
Crash Simulation held at Anoka Hennepin Technical Collage	1 (0.1%)	3 (0.0%)	3:00
Sheriff Show Dec 2014	1 (0.1%)	0 (0.0%)	0:26
Whats new at the Q March	1 (0.1%)	0 (0.0%)	0:23
Fresh and Local - Champlin Farmers Market	1 (0.1%)	1 (0.0%)	1:15
Anoka County 4-H Showcase	1 (0.1%)	0 (0.0%)	0:02
Champlin Solar Energy Project	1 (0.1%)	1 (0.0%)	1:17
It's Your History - Remembering Scott LaDoux	1 (0.1%)	1 (0.0%)	0:31
News & Views	1 (0.1%)	1 (0.0%)	0:30
Live and Local: Back to School Special	1 (0.1%)	2 (0.0%)	2:09
Chamber Report January	1 (0.1%)	0 (0.0%)	0:06
10-09-2014 Anoka City Council Member at Large Forum	1 (0.1%)	0 (0.0%)	0:19
Sheriff Show - August 2014	1 (0.1%)	0 (0.0%)	0:02
Whats new at the Q - April	1 (0.1%)	0 (0.0%)	0:04
Champlin Mayoral and Ward 1 & 2 Council Member Candidate Forum	1 (0.1%)	0 (0.0%)	0:04
District Court Show	1 (0.1%)	0 (0.0%)	0:00
2015 Anoka County Memorial Service	1 (0.1%)	5 (0.1%)	5:09

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5.1 Designated Depository

July 1, 2015

To: Commissioners

From: Karen George, Executive Director

Subject: Designated Depository

The Minnesota Statutes sets forth the procedures for the deposit of public funds which include requiring Quad Cities Cable Communications Commission to annually designate the official depositories for Commission funds and manage the collateral pledged to such funds. Other financial institutions are, from time to time, able to pay the Commission interest rates on deposits that are greater than can be obtained from the official depository.

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