

**NEW SCANDIA TOWNSHIP
SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE GRANTING CABLE TELEVISION FRANCHISE**

THE TITLE AND SUMMARY OF THIS ORDINANCE HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR
PUBLICATION PURSUANT TO MINNESOTA STATUTE 368.01 (21).

ORDINANCE NO. 60

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A FRANCHISE TO CITATION CABLE SYSTEMS, LTD.
PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 59 TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN A
CABLE TELEVISION SYSTEM IN THE TOWN OF NEW SCANDIA; SETTING FORTH
CONDITIONS ACCOMPANYING THE GRANT OF THE FRANCHISE.

SECTION I.

Purpose

The purpose of the ordinance is to establish the terms and conditions by which Citation Cable Systems, Ltd. ("franchisee") may operate a cable television system within New Scandia Township.

SECTION II.

Grant of Authority

1. The franchisee shall have the right and privilege to construct, erect, operate and maintain over, under and across public streets, alleys and public places, poles, wires, cables, underground conduits, television conductors and fixtures necessary for maintenance and operation of a cable system.

2. The franchise shall be in effect for a period of 15 years unless renewed, revoked, terminated, shortened or otherwise extended as provided in the agreement. The ordinance provides that the franchisee shall provide installation of one cable drop, one cable outlet and monthly basic service and cable programming service to the Town and certain other public institutions located within 150 feet of the system without charge.

3. The franchisee is required to obtain permits from the Town before commencing construction and to adhere to all state and local laws in building and zoning codes.

4. The franchisee is required to provide a system capable of delivering a minimum of 60 channels initially and 78 channels within 5 years of the effective date of the ordinance.

5. The franchisee is required to maintain a local drop box for receiving subscriber payments and for dropping off or exchanging equipment.

6. The franchisee is required to dedicate 3 channels for public education and government programming. Subject to the system's available channel capacity, the franchisee is required to furnish one specially designated non-commercial public access channel available for use by the general public on a first come, first served non-discriminatory basis.

7. The franchisee is required to collect \$.70 per subscriber per month to be remitted to the Forest Lake Cable Commission on a quarterly basis to be used solely to support public, education and government programming.

8. The franchisee is required to pay to the Town a franchise fee in an amount equal to 5% of the its annual gross revenue payable quarterly.

9. The franchisee is required to maintain a performance bond in the amount of \$10,000.00, a construction bond of \$75,000.00 under circumstances described in the ordinance and a security fund of \$5,000.00.

10. The member cities to the Forest Lake Cable Commission may appoint a citizen advisory body to monitor the performance of the franchisee.

The franchise is effective upon its acceptance by the franchisee.

A printed copy of the entire ordinance is available for inspection by any person at the office of the Town Clerk during regular office hours of the Town Hall.

APPROVED AS THE OFFICIAL SUMMARY OF THE ORDINANCE GRANTING A CABLE TELEVISION FRANCHISE TO CITATION CABLE SYSTEMS, LTD. THIS 2ND DAY OF DECEMBER, 1997.

NEW SCANDIA TOWN BOARD

By: Charles I. Nordin
Charles I. Nordin
Chairman

ATTEST

By: Dolores Peterson
Dolores Peterson
Clerk