

FIVE TOWN CABLE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

*Representing the Towns of Great Barrington, Lee, Lenox,
Sheffield, and Stockbridge Massachusetts*

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Re: Ascertainment Report, Proposed Cable Television Renewal License, and Request for Proposal

On behalf of the Towns of Great Barrington, Lee, Lenox, Sheffield, and Stockbridge, the Five Town Cable Advisory Committee is pleased to provide this Ascertainment Report, a federal and state requirement for the Renewal of Charter Communications, Inc. Cable TV License Agreement expiring on February 23, 2023.

Significant work, including, but not limited to, data collection and analysis; review of signed Massachusetts Cable TV Licenses and cable TV industry trends and forecasts; conducting a multi-media survey on all aspects of Charter Communications' Spectrum performance, offerings, pricing, etc. in each of the Five Towns; analysis of survey results; line by line review of the current Charter Communications, Inc. Cable TV License Agreement; and completion of all Phase One activities.

Each of these Phase One activities are detailed in this Ascertainment Report, which clearly documents our residents' needs and wants and positions the Five Towns in a solid position to constructively negotiate the upcoming Cable TV Renewal License Agreement, beginning on or about October 1, 2022 or upon receipt of a response from Charter Communications on DTC's Form 100. It is our goal to complete all renewal activities and have the respective Issuing Authority of each of the five Towns sign a Renewal License by February 23, 2023.

Our proposed Cable TV Renewal License is also included. The Committee has updated the current contract to include standard language found in Massachusetts Cable TV license, incorporate our residents' need, and strongly position CTSB Access programming to fulfill its mission. Ongoing disputes should be greatly minimized with added language, including defining complaints and complaint resolution procedures; reporting requirements; and enforcement mechanisms for non-performance and breach of contract. Much has changed since 2013 and any renewal license for a ten year period must assertively look ahead.

The public hearing on this Ascertainment Report and propose Cable TV Renewal License will be held on September 13, 2022, 6:30pm, at the Stockbridge Town Offices, 6 Main St, Stockbridge.

Should you have any questions or comments, please direct them to Linda Miller, Chair at LZMiller-5TownCAC@roadrunner.com

Sincerely,



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Enclosures: Ascertainment Report
 Proposed Cable TV Renewal License

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