



CITY OF NOVI
Public Utilities & Technology Committee Meeting
September 24, 2024, 5:30 p.m.
Novi Depot Conference Room | Novi Civic Center | 45175 Ten Mile Road
(248) 347-0445

CALL TO ORDER 5:30 PM

ROLL CALL: Council Members Heintz, Smith, and Thomas

PRESENT Council Members Heintz, Smith, and Thomas

STAFF LIAISON: Rob Petty, Chief Information Officer (CIO)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motioned by: Member Smith; Seconded by Heintz

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of September 3rd, 2024, Minutes: Motioned by Member Smith;
Seconded by Heintz. Approved 3:0

REMARKS FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

MATTERS FOR COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

1. Presentation by representatives of 123NET.

Justin Lampman and Jeff Moerschell of 123NET attended the meeting and gave an overview of their company, focusing particularly on their fiber connectivity footprint within the City of Novi.

- Take-up rate plays a key role in expanding into a neighborhood.
- A neighborhood is considered a mature market when it hits the three-year service point.
- 123Net has public/private partnerships ongoing in Allegan and Ottawa counties.
- A discussion took place around a "Middle Mile" project. This term refers to the distance between the main fiber run and the neighborhood targeted for fiber connectivity.
- The topic of joint trenching was discussed. They have partnered with DTE in the past, particularly in new developments, to lay fiber while other utilities are placed in the ground.
- 123NET offers four-speed levels: 250 Mbps, 1 GB, 2 GB, and 6 GB.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

- Multiple members suggested that the committee reach out to other fiber providers with a footprint in our community, when appropriate, to gauge their interest in talking to the committee.

- The staff liaison shared maps with the committee depicting DTE power outages between 2012 and 2024.

REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS

N/A

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by: Member Smith; Seconded by Member Heintz
Approved 3:0 (6:57 PM)