

TO: CITY/COUNTY TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

FROM: PEG COMMITTEE Eric Hale, Chair Ellen Rogers

DATE: December 6, 2023

SUBJECT: Recommendations for the 2024 PEG Capital Support Grants

Purpose of the PEG Capital Grant Program:

The purpose of the PEG Capital Support Fund, established under the 1997 cable franchise agreement and renewed in the 2013 cable franchise agreement, is to promote the use and availability of local programming by providing capital support for equipment and facilities for use by the public, education, and local government for the benefit of Vancouver/Clark County cable television subscribers. Comcast collects a "PEG fee" of \$1 per month per cable subscriber which is remitted to the City and County to support this purpose. PEG funds may also be used for costs related to the use of the Institutional Network (iNET) as provided in the franchise agreement.

Grant Proposal Evaluation:

Grant proposals for the current round of funding were due by October 6, 2023. Fourteen proposals were received totaling \$446,313.83 in requests: two (2) from CVTV and twelve (12) from TV ETC. There is \$500,000 available for PEG grants this year.

Grant applications were reviewed by the PEG Committee in concert with outside experts who reviewed the applications from a technical perspective. The PEG Committee decided to forgo meeting with each of the applicants as there were no issues or concerns with the proposals.

PEG Capital Grant Program: Recommended Projects for 2024

The Committee asked for clarification on equipment needs and uses on several of the grants. One request from Vancouver School District was amended slightly based on a revised understanding of project needs. Another request from TV Etc. was amended to reflect the inclusion of an additional piece of equipment. In general, the Committee was very complimentary of the submissions.

With these grant awards, there is approximately \$53,686 remaining in the PEG fund for future grant distribution. The PEG Committee is recommending the following funding for approval by the Telecommunications Commission:

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Grant Applications *	Requested	Recommended
Live Event Broadcasting (Battle Ground School District)		
	\$21,435.37	\$21,435.37
ASC Studio Upgrades (Evergreen School District)		
	\$26,486.28	\$26,486.28
Editing Computers Upgrade (Evergreen School District)		
	\$18,194.18	\$18,194.18
Evergreen High School Studio (Evergreen School District)		
	\$26,873.85	\$26,873.85
Mountain View High School Studio (Evergreen School District)		
	\$24,640.06	\$24,640.06
Union High School Studio (Evergreen School District)		
	\$71,679.19	\$71,679.19
Skyview and Fort Vancouver Auditoriums (Vancouver School		
District)	\$6,848.44	\$6,848.44
Sports Production Improvements (Vancouver School District)	\$69,651.16	\$69,651.16
Studio Upgrade (Vancouver School District)	¢2401409	¢2401400
	\$34,916.28	\$34,916.28
VSAA Studio (Vancouver School District)	\$50,786.38	\$50,786.38
Control Room Upgrades (TV ETC)	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	\$10,559.06	\$10,559.06
Camera Field Package (TV ETC)	\$19,587.58	\$19,587.58
City Hall/PSC NDI Upgrades – Phase II (CVTV)	\$33,823.00	\$33,823.00
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Editing PC Replacement (CVTV)	\$30,833.00	\$30,833.00
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Total PEG Access Capital Grant Funds	\$446,313.83	\$446,313.83

Applicant	Total Amount Requested	Total Amount Funded
TV ETC	\$381,657.83	\$381,657.83
CVTV	\$64,656	\$64,656
Total PEG Access Capital Grant Funds	\$446,313.83	\$446,313.83

*PEG Grant Applications are available on file at the City/County Cable Television Office.