



Legislation Text

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Consider a resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Non-Exclusive License Agreement with Google Fiber Texas LLC for the Use of City Public Right of Way for Network Facility Installation.

This is a non-exclusive license agreement between the City of Round Rock and Google Fiber Texas LLC for the use of City public right-of-way for network facility installation. The License Fee to Google is 1% of Gross Revenue remitted on a quarterly basis and it grants them the ability to run their fiber to the premise service to customers in the City of Round Rock.

This agreement allows Google to begin applying for permits from the City to start constructing the backbone of their service. Once that work is complete, Google will begin signing up customers and running their last-mile infrastructure. What makes this process stand out is Google will generally be using micro-trenching technology. Essentially they make a cut two inches wide that goes below the asphalt depth along the curb in neighborhood streets. This allows them to run subsurface infrastructure faster with less disruptions to the public. Transportation staff have reviewed the micro-trenching technique and have approved its use.

Many folks will be excited by this announcement, but it should be noted that Google does not anticipate activating individual service for consumers until late 2023. The City has set up an information page at roundrocktexas.gov/googlefiber to make sure folks are getting directed to the right location to get their questions answered about this new offering in Round Rock.

Staff recommends approval of this agreement.