City Council Item

April 14, 2025

Item	Letter of Support for Comcast BEAD grant	
File No.		**Item No:** D.19
Agenda Section	**CONSENT AGENDA**	
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SUGGESTED ACTION

"The Chanhassen City Council authorizes the Letter of Support to Minnesota Office of Broadband Development on behalf of Comcast."

Motion Type	Simple Majority Vote of members present
Strategic Priority	Operational Excellence

SUMMARY

Comcast has requested a letter for support from the City of Chanhassen for a BEAD grant application. Comcast is closely monitoring the Minnesota Office of Broadband's (OBD) implementation of the federal BEAD grant program, which aims to expand broadband access to unserved and underserved locations.

Upon reviewing eligible passings in Chanhassen for the BEAD program, Comcast found that these locations are already included in Comcast's current network expansion partnership and are nearing completion. Although these locations remain eligible because they were not finalized last year, Comcast will apply for grant-eligible homes with a $0 subsidy to ensure OBD does not allocate additional state funds to this area.

The grant application requires community support—even for a $0 subsidy. Attached is a letter confirming the Comcast's partnership and ongoing construction in Chanhassen.

BACKGROUND

DISCUSSION

BUDGET

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Chanhassen City Council authorizes the Letter of Support to Minnesota Office of Broadband Development on behalf of Comcast.

ATTACHMENTS

Chanhassen Letter of Support