

City Council Introduction: January 14, 2002

Bill Number 02R-8

Public Hearing: January 28, 2002

## FACT SHEET

**TITLE:** Request for use of right-of-way for buried fiber optic placement for UNL in 11<sup>th</sup> Street from existing vault 120 feet south of 'O' Street to alley between 'P' and 'Q' Streets behind 1155 'Q' Street.

**SPONSOR:** Public Works and Utilities

**OPPONENTS:** Unknown

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Approval

**OTHER DEPARTMENTS AFFECTED:**

**APPLICANT:** Galaxy Network Services

**REASON FOR LEGISLATION:** Installation of buried fiber optic cable for the University of Nebraska - Lincoln from an existing vault 120 feet south of 'O' Street to the alley between 'P' and 'Q' Streets behind 1155 'Q' Street.

## DISCUSSION

The Department of Public Works and Utilities has received a request for a use of right-of-way for the installation of buried fiber optic cable for the University of Nebraska - Lincoln in the above described location. Galaxy's proposed alignment for this cable is 2" in front of the curb line of the existing parking setbacks along the east side of 11th Street at a minimum depth of 96".

Comments received from utility companies with existing facilities in this area have requested that Diggers Hotline be contacted for utility locations. The City of Lincoln Parks and Recreation Department responded that the construction would interfere with existing shrubs in the landscaped areas adjacent to the curb. Applicant will be required to work with the Downtown Lincoln Association for replacement of any damaged shrubs.

The applicant has been made aware of the pending redevelopment of the block bounded by 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Streets, 'O' to 'P' Streets and the potential need to relocate their cable within the next 6 months to a year. Public Works is asking as a condition of approval of this request that the time frame for relocation of this cable, should the need arise, be reduced from 6 months (Chapter 14.53.060) to 30 days. Any relocation required would occur at the applicants expense.

The Department of Public Works recommends approval of this proposal with the above described conditions.

**POLICY OR PROGRAM CHANGE:** No

**COST OF TOTAL PROJECT:** Unknown

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

**CITY:** None

**NON CITY:** Unknown

**BENEFIT COST:**

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