



Ordinance 24-12

**Granting a Renewal of the Cable Franchise to Comcast of Maryland, LLC
And Authorizing a Franchise Agreement**

Effective: July 3, 2024

**ORDINANCE
OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON
GRANTING A RENEWAL OF THE CABLE FRANCHISE TO COMCAST OF
MARYLAND, LLC AND AUTHORIZING A FRANCHISE AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, pursuant to §5-201 *et seq.* of the Local Government Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, the City of New Carrollton (hereinafter, the “City”) has the power to pass such ordinances as it deems necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have the power under §5-204(d) of the Local Government Article, Annotated Code of Maryland to grant non-exclusive cable franchises; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have adopted a cable ordinance to govern cable franchises that are located within the City; and

WHEREAS, the City entered into a cable franchise agreement with Comcast of Maryland, LLC which ended in 2015, but has been extended during the negotiation of the renewal of the franchise agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council authorized the negotiation of the renewal of the franchise agreement with Comcast of Maryland, LLC and said proposed agreement has been prepared and presented to the Mayor and Council; and

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WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have determined that it is in the public interest to renew the cable franchise with Comcast of Maryland, LLC, within the corporate limits of the City, on condition that Comcast of Maryland, LLC, enter into a franchise agreement in substantially the form as attached to this Ordinance.

Section 1. **NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED**, by the Mayor and Council of the City of New Carrollton the renewal of the non-exclusive right to construct and operate a cable television system along the public rights of way in the City of New Carrollton is hereby granted to Comcast of Maryland, LLC, subject to the provisions of Chapter 45 of the City Code and a franchise agreement between the City and Comcast Cable, LLC in a form substantially similar to that attached to this Ordinance. The City Mayor is authorized to endorse the franchise agreement on behalf of the City.

Section 2. **BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED AND ENACTED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of New Carrollton that if any section, subsection, provision, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be illegal or otherwise invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall be severable, and shall not affect or impair any remaining section, subsection, provision, sentence, clause, phrase or word included within this Ordinance, it being the intent of the City that the remainder of the Ordinance shall be and shall remain in full force and effect, valid and enforceable.

INTRODUCED by the Mayor and Council of the City of New Carrollton at a regular meeting on the 20th day of June 2024.

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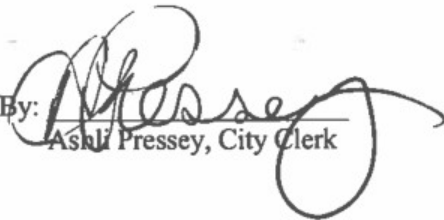
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ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of New Carrollton at a regular meeting on the 3rd day of July 2024.

EFFECTIVE the 24th day of July, 2024.

ATTEST:

CITY OF NEW CARROLLTON

By: 
Ashli Pressey, City Clerk

By: 
Briana Urbina, Chairman, City Council

Approved for legal sufficiency:

Approved:


Jason DeLoach, City Attorney

By:  Date: 3 July 2024
Katrina R. Dodro, Mayor

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