AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING UNITE PRIVATE NETWORKS, LLC DBA SEGRA TO USE THE CITY'S RIGHTS-OF-WAY TO CONSTRUCT, INSTALL, OPERATE, AND MAINTAIN FIBER FACILITIES AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A RIGHTS-OF-WAY USE AGREEMENT THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, Unite Private Networks, LLC dba Segra desires to construct, install, operate, and maintain fiber facilities in the City of Gladstone ("Gladstone"); and

WHEREAS, Gladstone is permitted to license rights-of-way users to the extent authorized by Missouri law; and

WHEREAS, the Gladstone City Council encourages development of fiber services to provide customers a broad range of choices and to allow providers equal opportunities to operate and compete in Gladstone; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the citizens of Gladstone to permit Unite Private Networks LLC dba Segra to access the City's rights-of-way to construct, install, operate, and maintain fiber facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLADSTONE, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

THAT, the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute a Rights-of-Way Use Agreement with Unite Private Networks, LLC dba Segra;

THAT, further the City Manager is hereby authorized to take such steps, in his discretion, as are necessary to carry out the terms of the agreement.

INTRODUCED, READ, PASSED, AND ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLADSTONE, MISSOURI, THIS 23RD DAY OF JUNE 2025.

Mayor Les Smith

ATTEST:

Kris Keller, City Clerk

First Reading: June 23, 2025 Second Reading: June 23, 2025



Request for Council Action

RES □# City Clerk Only

BILL 🖾# 25-20

ORD⊠# 4.704

Date: 6/3/2025 Department: Public Works

Meeting Date Requested: 6/23/2025

Public Hearing: Yes □ Date: Click here to enter a date.

Subject: Rights-of-Way Use Agreement, Unite Private Networks, LLC dba Segra

<u>Background</u>: Unite Private Networks, LLC dba Segra has submitted a request to the City for a Rights-of-Way Use Agreement. The purpose of the agreement is to allow the construction, installation, operation, and maintenance of fiber facilities within the City's rights-of-way. Unite Private Networks, LLC dba Segra currently provides fiber services to commercial clients in the region.

Budget Discussion: N/A

<u>Public/Board/Staff Input:</u> Unite Private Networks, LLC dba Segra approached the City requesting to install new microfiber on NE Englewood Road from Missouri Route 1 to N. Flora and on N. Flora and N. Troost from NE Englewood Road to the north City limits. Under Missouri Revised Statutes § 67.1832, Cities are required to grant consent to public utility right-of-way users authorized to do business in the State. While consent is mandatory, the City retains the authority to manage the rights-of-way and does so under Title VI, Chapter 115 Managing Excavation and Use of City Rights-of-Way of the City of Gladstone Code of Ordinances.

The short-term and long-term financial impacts are unknown, however, the expansion of fiber facilities in Gladstone is expected to provide customers a broad range of choices and to allow additional providers to operate and compete within the City. Staff recommends execution of the Rights-of-Way Use Agreement.

Provide Original Contracts, Leases, Agreements, etc. to: City Clerk and Vendor.

Timothy A. Nebergall

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Department Director/Administrator

City Attorney

City Manager