Task Force Members present: Chair - Chris Clements - UC Davis, Vice-Chair - Christine Crawford, Yolo County Broadband Working Group, Jeff Mischkinsky - DavisGig, Matthews Williams - Davis Community Network, Autumn Labbe-Renault - Davis Media Access, Lorenzo Kristov - Utility Rate Advisory Committee, Marcia Bernard - DJUSD, Carolyn Stiver - Davis Chamber of Commerce, Stephen McMahon - Community Representative, Scott Adler - Community Representative

Staff: Diane Parro, Director of Community and Business Engagement, Sarah Worley, Business Engagement Manager

1. Call to Order & Roll Call – 6:34 p.m.

2. Oaths of Office - Utility Rate Advisory Committee Representative - Lorenzo Kristov, Davis Community Network Representative - Matthews Williams

3. Approval of Agenda – Motion to approve by Scott Adler. Seconded by Autumn Labbe-Renault. Approved unanimously 10-0.

4. Brief Announcements from Staff and Task Force - Mike Adams resignation as Davis Community Network (DCN) representative and appointment of Matthews Williams as new DCN representative. Matt Williams working with ad hoc group aimed at increasing community engagement on projects before formal public review periods.

5. Public Comment

6. Consent Calendar


7. Regular Items

A. Subcommittee Reports

i. Business Models - tests of residential survey results still pending.

ii. Financing Options - informal outreach meeting with public financing expert very informative - learned about other financing models, bonding mechanisms and property based assessment districts that could also be considered. Discussion of providing broadband as a “common good,” and difference between a “value based” vs. “service cost” approach. Could consider further research of services provided by Neighborly (https://neighborly.com/), an organization specializing in assisting public agencies with bond financing for different scale public projects.
B. Next Steps –
Chair & Co-chair propose organizing focus of meeting agendas and tasks on preparing Task Force recommendations for City Council by end of May.

Robert Nickerson provided brief update on DavisGig broadband email survey. Survey still going, received 460 responses so far, most from community representatives not students. Can share a summary of survey results with Task Force at Feb. 27, 2019 meeting.

C. Guest Speaker – Mike Puckett, WAVE Business, on “ISP Market Demand for a Municipal Fiber Ring in Davis”

Mike Puckett outlined his experience in the telecommunications industry; provided an overview of WAVE’s evolution from a cable service company to flexible, multi-service partner and fiber provider; responded to questions about fiber and internet service provider’s interests and potential responses to market opportunities and changes.

Marcia Bernard left at 7:22 p.m.

8. Task Force and Staff Brief Communications
A. Agenda Planning and Long Range Calendar – February 27, 2019 meeting confirmed - Chris Mitchell invited as meeting guest speaker (via video conferencing). Update Task Force Council liaison.
B. Community News
C. Recommended Reading
   Court-Rules-in-Favor-of-FCC-5G-Regulatory-Rollbacks

9. Adjourn – Motion to adjourn by Carolyn Stiver. Seconded by Christin Crawford. Passes unanimously 9-0, 1 absent. Adjourned at 8:34 p.m.