

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**ORDINANCE OF ALBANY TOWNSHIP AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A
CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP AND
BLUE RIDGE CABLE TECHNOLOGIES, INC.**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Title VI of the Communications Act, the regulations of the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) and Pennsylvania law, the Township is authorized to grant and renew franchises to construct, operate and maintain a Cable System utilizing Public Rights-of-Way and properties within the Township’s jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, Blue Ridge has requested that the Township grant Blue Ridge a cable franchise to construct, operate, and maintain its Cable System over, under and along the aforesaid rights-of-way for use by the Township’s residents; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Public Rights-of-Way used by Blue Ridge are public properties acquired and maintained by the Township on behalf of the citizens of the Township, and the right to use said rights-of-way is a valuable property right; and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to protect and manage the aforesaid rights-of-way, establish standards of Subscriber service, maintain a technologically advanced Cable System, receive Franchise Fees (if desired) for Blue Ridge’s use of the Township’s public rights-of-way as provided by federal law, use of public, educational and governmental channels, establish certain reporting requirements, provide legal protections for the Township’s and meet the current and future cable-related needs of its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Township has determined that Blue Ridge has the financial, legal and technical ability to provide Cable Services to Subscribers located in the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township has determined that this Agreement and the process for consideration of this Agreement complies with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Township has determined that the public interest would be served by granting Blue Ridge’s franchise according to the terms and conditions contained herein;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED that the Albany Township Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the cable franchise agreement negotiated with Blue Ridge, including all of the terms and conditions contained therein, and does hereby authorize the execution of such agreement.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

ATTEST:

**ALBANY TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

Michele Morstatt, Secretary

Christopher Schucker, Chair

Joshua Rabert, Vice-Chair

Charles Volk, Member

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**ORDINANCE OF ALBANY TOWNSHIP AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A
CABLE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWNSHIP AND
COMCAST CABLE COMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT, LLC**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Title VI of the Communications Act, the regulations of the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) and Pennsylvania law, the Township is authorized to grant and renew franchises to construct, operate and maintain a Cable System utilizing Public Rights-of-Way and properties within the Township’s jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, Comcast has requested that the Township grant Comcast a cable franchise to construct, operate, and maintain its Cable System over, under and along the aforesaid rights-of-way for use by the Township’s residents; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Public Rights-of-Way used by Comcast are public properties acquired and maintained by the Township on behalf of the citizens of the Township, and the right to use said rights-of-way is a valuable property right; and

WHEREAS, the Township desires to protect and manage the aforesaid rights-of-way, establish standards of Subscriber service, maintain a technologically advanced Cable System, receive Franchise Fees (if desired) for Comcast’s use of the Township’s public rights-of-way as provided by federal law, use of public, educational and governmental channels, establish certain reporting requirements, provide legal protections for the Township’s and meet the current and future cable-related needs of its residents; and

WHEREAS, the Township has determined that Comcast has the financial, legal and technical ability to provide Cable Services to Subscribers located in the Township; and

WHEREAS, the Township has determined that this Agreement and the process for consideration of this Agreement complies with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Township has determined that the public interest would be served by granting Comcast’s franchise according to the terms and conditions contained herein;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED that the Albany Township Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the cable franchise agreement negotiated with Comcast, dated, including all of the terms and conditions contained therein, and does hereby authorize the execution of such agreement.

ENACTED AND ORDAINED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

ATTEST:

**ALBANY TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

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