# CITY OF HIGH POINT AGENDA ITEM



**Title: Thomas Built Bus Wireless Antennas** 

From: Electric Department

Meeting Date: August 21, 2017

Public Hearing: N/A Advertising Date: N/A

**Advertised By:** 

**Attachments:** Photo

### **PURPOSE**:

The purpose of this project is to facilitate a private wireless operation at 715 W. Fairfield Road, the campus of Thomas Built Bus. Thomas Built Bus will install a 14"x12"x6" polycarbonate cabinet type enclosure that will be bolted to the pole as well as an antenna. There will be 50 poles impacted by this throughout the campus. The city facilities will be protected with a lease agreement holding the city harmless.

## **BACKGROUND**:

The City Attorney's office will develop a lease agreement allowing for the placement of this wireless network equipment on the area utility poles currently being leased to Thomas Built Bus.

### **BUDGET IMPACT:**

There will be no budget impact for this project.

### **RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:**

We are requesting the Thomas Built Bus be permitted to attach to The City of High Point electric poles for the purposes of this project; and that the City Manager or his designee be authorized to execute said lease.

## RESOLUTION OF HIGH POINT CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE LEASE OF CERTAIN UNOCCUPIED SPACE ON CITY UTILITY POLES

**WHEREAS,** the City of High Point ("City") owns certain utility poles located within the High Point city limits, specifically along the rights-of-way adjacent to property owned and occupied by Thomas Built Buses, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS,** North Carolina General Statute § 160A-272(a) provides that any property owned by a city may be leased or rented for such terms and upon such conditions as the council may determine and only if the council determines that the property will not be needed by the city for the lease term; and

**WHEREAS**, the City finds that those utility poles on and adjacent to property owned and occupied by Thomas Built Buses, Inc. have available space that can safely accommodate additional equipment; and

**WHEREAS,** Thomas Built Buses, Inc. has been a business and community leader in High Point since it was founded in 1916 and it is in the City's interest to continue to foster the relationship between Thomas Built Buses, Inc., and the High Point community; and

**WHEREAS,** North Carolina General Statutes § 160A-272(b) authorizes the City to enter into leases of one year or less by adopting a resolution at a regular council meeting, without the requirement of public notice; and

**WHEREAS**, the lease shall only be for those periods during which the City has no immediate use of the open space on the utility poles and shall not interfere with any other city uses, licenses, leases or rental that are concurrently in effect.

#### **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council that:

- 1. The available space of those utility poles, owned by the City, are surplus to the City's current needs; and
- 2. The High Point City Council delegates the Mayor to sign and otherwise fulfill the requirements of entering into a lease agreement with Thomas Built Buses, Inc. for a period of not more than one year.

Adopted, this the 21st day of August, 2017.	
Lisa B. Vierling	
High Point City Clerk	Mayor William S. Bencini, Jr.

