



CITY LIBRARY SERVICES-- INTERNET SAFETY POLICY

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Background

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- ❑ Federal Communications Commission's E-rate program helps public schools & libraries provide high-speed internet access
- ❑ Killeen Library Services applied for 80% discount on the existing network circuit for Copper Mountain Branch Library
- ❑ Conditional approval given requires a public hearing and Council approval of Internet Safety Policy

Internet Safety Policy

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- Purpose of policy is to confirm that library conforms to federal Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA)
- Requires library to have a filter to block material deemed to be “harmful to minors” (depicting, describing or representing sexual contact or lewd exhibition)

Expenditures

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- No expenditures are associated with this request
 - ▣ CenturyLink will apply 80% discount to City's bill
 - ▣ City currently pays \$12,844 annually for the circuit
 - ▣ City's cost will be reduced to \$2,569 annually
- The library can apply annually to renew discount

Alternatives

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- Do not hold public hearing and do not approve Internet Safety Policy
- Hold public hearing but do not approve Internet Safety Policy
- Hold public hearing and approve Internet Safety Policy

Recommendation

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- Staff recommends that City Council hold a public hearing and approve the proposed Internet Safety Policy as required by the FCC E-rate program.