

## **BILL/ RESOLUTION REQUEST**

**1. Title:** A resolution authorizing an increase in the Capital Contribution fee ("PEG Fee") from \$.87 per month to \$1.00 per month for residential subscribers under Denver's cable television franchise.

**2. Requesting Agency:** City Council

**3. Contact Person *with actual knowledge of proposed ordinance***

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**4. Contact Person *with actual knowledge of proposed ordinance who will present the item at Mayor Council and who will be available for first and second reading, if necessary***

**Name:**

**Phone:**

**Email:**

**5. Describe the proposed ordinance, including what the proposed ordinance is intended to accomplish, who's involved**

**a. Scope of Work**

ection 9.3 of the Comcast cable television franchise (Ord. 617, Series 1999) authorizes the collection of monthly "Capital Contribution" fee on each residential subscriber's account. This fee is commonly known as the "PEG fee" because it can be used only for capital expenses related to the development of the public, educational and governmental cable services contemplated under the franchise.

The fee was originally set at \$.63/month, was allowed to escalate to \$.87/ month as of June 2004, and could have escalated to \$1.00/month as of June 2005. However, until now the Office of Telecommunications, in consultation with the City Council has waived the final escalation of the fee.

On the basis of projected capital costs associated with the PEG services, the OTC is now recommending that the monthly fee be increased to the full \$1.00. For further explanation, see attached executive summary.

**b. Duration**

**c. Location**

**d. Affected Council District**

**e. Benefits**

**f. Costs**

**6. Is there any controversy surrounding this ordinance, groups or individuals who may have concerns about it? Please explain.**

**Bill Request Number: <BRNumber>**

**Date: <SubmitDate>**