AGENDA REPORT

TO: Mayor Pat Humphrey & Clare City Commissioners

FROM: Diane Lyon, City Clerk
DATE: September 14, 2023
RE: *Communications

For the Agenda of September 18, 2023

*Note: This is a Consent Agenda item and is considered routine by the City Commission. As such, this matter shall be automatically enacted by one motion with all other Consent Agenda items unless a Commissioner or citizen requests this item be individually discussed, in which event it shall be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered and acted upon in its designated sequence on the approved Clare City Commission agenda of September 18, 2023.

<u>MEDC Pitch Competition</u>: Clare's Pitch Competition will take place on September 19 at 7:00 p.m. at the Ideal Theatre.

<u>Free Food Voucher:</u> MyMichigan Health, MSU Extension and Family Fare have collaborated to provide \$100 food vouchers to purchase fruits and vegetables at Family Fare stores in Michigan.

<u>Charter Communications Programming Change:</u> Charter has announced that the Walt Disney Company channels are no longer available on Charter Cable due to their increased pricing.

<u>Site Plans, Special Use Permits, Variance Requests & Public Notices:</u>
Ordinance Amendment 2023-003, Chapter 46, Utility Deposits, has been publicly noticed.

Attachments. As noted above.



SUPPORTING GOOD IDEAS that SUPPORT OUR TOWN



Clare's first ever Downtown Pitch competition is underway. It's an effort to bring amazing ideas to life and facilitate community engagement. The competition will fund at least one project that will enhance the vibrancy of our incredible City!

COMMUNITY EVENT: SEPT. 19TH

Cast a vote for your favorite pitch to determine who wins the People's Choice Award at our community event on September 19th. This showcase will feature pitch finalists publicly presenting their ideas and plans. The night will culminate in winners being announced. It's a great apportunity to connect with your neighbors, enjoy innovative ideas, and support local business owners and change leaders. Plus, it'll be fun!

mmdc.org/downfown-pitch-clare MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Sept. 19 Public Pitch Event: 7:00 PM \$5 Donation Encouraged Ideal Theatre, downtown Clare

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Register and Donate Online!

Save time and register online! Additionally, you can donate to the People's Choice Award when you buy your ticket. Just select the \$5, \$10, or \$15 option. Show your receipt at the Ideal Theatre and claim your free popcorn to enjoy with the event*.

Prescription for Health



It's always a great time to increase your fresh fruit and vegetable consumption!

MyMichigan Health, MSU Extension and Family Fare have collaborated to provide a

<u>Prescription for Health</u> program for Clare County residents!

Could you and your family use \$100 for food?

All participants are eligible to receive up to \$100 in vouchers to be used towards fruits and vegetables at any Family Fare in Michigan! There is no cost to participate in the program.

Series Options:

Series A: In-person, Mondays At 225 W Main St., Harrison, MI

Time: 1 p.m.– 2 p.m.

Dates: September 11th, 18th, 25th

October 2nd, 9th, and 16th

Series C: All virtual, Tuesdays

Time: 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Dates: February 13th, 20th, 27th March 5th, 12th, 19th **Series B:** All virtual, Tuesdays Time: 10 a.m.— 11 a.m.

Dates: October 17th, 24th, 31st November 7th, 14th, 21st

How to Participate?

Email: sydney.zuke@mymichigan.org Or call (989) 466-3378





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September 1, 2023

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Dear Franchise Official:

I am writing to inform you that effective August 31, 2023, at 8pm ET, The Walt Disney Company removed its programming from Spectrum Mid-America, LLC ("Charter"). Charter had been in discussions to renew its carriage agreement when The Walt Disney Company took this action. As a result of The Walt Disney Company's unreasonable demands to increase prices and limit customer choice, negotiations failed to reach a deal and they chose to pull the programming from Charter customers, rather than extend the contract until negotiations conclude. The Walt Disney Company's decision to remove its programming is outside of Charter's control; we wanted to provide you notice of these changes as quickly as possible.

A full list of impacted channels is as follows:

NETWORKS OWNED BY THE WALT DISNEY COMPANY

- ACC Network*
- BabyTV SAP
- Disney Channel
- Disney Junior
- Disney XD
- ESPN
- ESPN2
- ESPN Deportes
- ESPN News
- ESPNU

- Freeform
- FX
- FX Movie Channel
- FXX
- Longhorn Network*
- National Geographic
- Nat Geo Mundo
- Nat Geo Wild
- SEC Network*

*Carriage depends on customers' region

The rising cost of programming is the single greatest factor in higher cable television prices, and we are fighting hard to hold the line on programming rates imposed on us by companies like The Walt Disney Company. We hope to resolve this dispute quickly and, though inconvenient, impacted Charter customers have other alternatives for viewing impacted content and can learn more at www.video-choice.com.

If you have any questions about this matter, please feel free to contact me at (906) 553-7866.

Sincerely,

Joan Movrich

Manager - State Government Affairs, Michigan

Charter Communications

Joan Movrich

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

CITY OF CLARE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Clare Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, October 2, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., at Clare City Hall, 202 W. Fifth Street, Clare MI to receive public comments pertaining to an Ordinance amendment to Chapter 46-278(a) Collection, *Security Deposits*. A copy of the proposed Ordinance amendment is available for review by contacting the City at info@cityofclare.gov or calling 989-386-7541. The Clare City Commission will accept comments during the hearing or in writing if the written comments are received by the City Clerk not later than 4 p.m. on the date of the hearing. The City of Clare is an equal-opportunity employer and provider.

Diane Lyon Clare City Clerk