



## WILDWOOD

February 22, 2016

The Honorable City Council  
City of Wildwood, Missouri  
16860 Main Street  
Wildwood, Missouri 63040

Re: Update on the City's Rural Internet Access Project

Council Members:

The Department contacted Wisper ISP about the next steps in restarting efforts in the north half of the City, including the option of fiber-optic service to the Wild Horse Creek Road Area, prior to both the January 25, 2016 and February 8, 2016 City Council meetings, and requested direction in this regard. Thereafter, prior to the February 8, 2016 City Council meeting, a Wisper ISP representative responded and noted the following in regard to the company's future efforts in Wildwood:

1. The owner of Wisper ISP is preparing information relating to the fiber-optic option on Wild Horse Creek Road and it will be delivered to the City this week (week of February 8, 2016).
2. The negotiations regarding the use of the St. Louis County E-911 Emergency Tower are ongoing and Ms. Heuring spoke with some optimism about their outcome.

The next day, after the February 8, 2016 City Council meeting, Nathan Stooke provided information regarding a meeting that was planned with an installer of fiber-optic service and hoped to have information to the City regarding the feasibility of its use within certain areas of the north half of the City, timelines, and costs. This detailed information is still not available. The Department has attached Mr. Stooke's e-mail for the City Council's review.

Given the efforts of Bays ET in the south half of the City, the Department is seeking to gain momentum within the north half of the City, since there are a number of residences not served at this time. This area now appears to be generating the greatest amount of contacts to the City regarding service.

As this update notes, the companies, residents, and the City continue to work very hard to find as many connection solutions for unserved households in Wildwood as possible. If any of the Council members should have questions or comments in this regard, please feel free to contact the Department of Planning at (636) 458-0440. A brief summary of this information is planned for

tonight's Work Session. Thank you for your continued support of this project and the overall effort to bring high-speed internet to the rural areas of this community.

Respectfully submitted,  
CITY OF WILDWOOD



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Hello,

I left you a voice mail while I was driving, but I wanted to type up an email update too.

I had a good detailed talk with the contractor we are going to use to do the fiber project in Wildwood this morning. He is coming to town next week to review another small project we are working on. We will then walk the Wild Horse Creek fiber plan to get more exact pricing from him for installing fiber. We will also look at running it east to 109 to pickup the fiber connection from Charter or ATT. If we do run fiber down the main road, anyone that lives along that fiber path would be able to get our service.

Once I have a more detailed plan and pricing I will submit those to the neighborhood board. If the costs is too much we will also submit the amount we would need to have them help finance. We are not looking for a grant, just a loan if needed. The fiber contractor said we would be willing to finance part of of the buildout as we are working with him on a few other fiber projects too.

Once we have the money needed secured we will order the fiber and schedule the install. Best case would be around end of March we could start the install, but that would be if financing is in order soon. Worst case might be mid summer if we have to work through some details with financing or have a really wet spring.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks