



## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Mayor and City Council

**From:** Mike Land, City Manager

**Date:** April 22, 2020

**Reference:** Consider approval of an agreement for legal services regarding utility franchise agreements with Lloyd Gosselink, Chris L. Brewster, Principal; and authorizing the City Manager to sign the necessary documents.

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### Introduction:

The City of Coppel's electric franchise with Oncor Electric Delivery (Oncor) will expire on August 31, 2020. This contract with Lloyd Gosselink is for legal services related to negotiating a new franchise agreement with Oncor.

### Analysis:

The City of Coppel last adopted Ordinance No 90493 granting Oncor Electric Delivery Company a franchise in November 1990. That agreement was amended on February 27, 2007 by Ordinance No 2007-1155 and again on August 11, 2015 by Ordinance No 2015-1414.

The City recently received a letter from Oncor regarding a proposed electric franchise renewal ordinance for the City of Coppel. The proposed franchise agreement from Oncor was prepared utilizing standard franchise language and incorporating existing payment provisions as contained in the current franchise agreement and amendments. The new proposal is for a term of 20 years and expires on May 31, 2041.

Prior to submitting this agreement to Council, it is recommended that the city engage the services of Lloyd Gosselink to review the proposal to ensure that it is current with any regulatory changes that may have occurred since Ordinance No 90493 was adopted.

**Legal Review:**

Reviewed by City Attorney Bob Hager.

**Fiscal Impact:**

The estimated cost of legal services is Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000.00) to be funded by the city's Legal Services Fund.

**Recommendation:**

Approval recommended.