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Legal Notice

Thursday, March 14, 2024

Newton Mayor Ruthanne Fuller, as statutory cable television license Issuing Authority, has designated a Newton Law Department hearing officer to hold a public cable license renewal hearing on March 14, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers (Room 207), Newton City Hall, 1000 Commonwealth Ave., Newton Center, Newton to allow public comment on public and City cable needs as part of the City's license renewal proceedings pertaining to RCN Telecom Services of Massachusetts, LLC d/b/a Astound Broadband ("RCN"). Notice will be published Thursday, February 29, 2024, and Thursday, March 7, 2024 in The Boston Herald, with a copy posted online and in a conspicuous place at Newton City Hall.

Please Note: This is a hybrid meeting that the public may access in-person or virtually via Zoom with the following link: <https://newtonma-gov.zoom.us/j/82808280079>, or call 1-646-558-8656 and use the Meeting ID: 828 0828 0079. The final agenda will be posted online on Friday, March 8, 2024 at: <https://www.newtonma.gov/government/city-clerk/city-council/friday-packet>. Please call the Clerk's Office at 617-796-1210 for more information.

The Newton RCN cable license expires on September 21, 2026. The federal Cable Act, 47 USC 546, requires a public renewal proceeding to ascertain the community's cable needs and interests. Public comment is invited regarding license renewal needs and cable operator past performance. The hearing officer will accept comments relating to the foregoing subject to the Mayor's reserving control of any and all license-related decisions. For further information on the license renewal process, contact municipal cable counsel William August, Esq. at 617-548-3735. By Order of the Issuing Authority.

A copy of the current RCN cable license is available for inspection at the City Clerk's office.