

ORDINANCE NO. 6

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A FRANCHISE TO HAROLD D. OR LAURA A. LOVETT, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, TO OWN, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN A COMMUNITY TELEVISION SYSTEM IN THE CITY OF GOSHEN, ARKANSAS; SETTING FORTH CONDITIONS ACCOMPANYING THE GRANT OR FRANCHISE; AND PROVIDING FOR REGULATIONS AND USE OF THE SAID SYSTEM BY SAID CITY.

SECTION 1: Short Title. This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the "Cable Television Ordinance".

SECTION 2: Definitions. For the purpose of this Ordinance the following terms, phrases, word and their deriviations shall have the meaning given herein. When not inconsistent with the context, words used in the present tense include the future, words in the plural number include in the singular number, and words in the singular number include the plural number. The word "shall" is always mandatory and not merely directory.

- (1) "City" is the city of Goshen in the State of Arkansas.
- (2) "Company" is the grantee of rights under this Ordinance awarding a franchise and is known as Dave's Cable TV.
- (3) "Person" is any person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company or organization of any kind.
- (4) "System" shall mean the entire installation located in the City of Goshen.

SECTION 3: Grant of Authority. The city, after due consideration, being satisfied as to the Company's legal, technical,

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character, financial and other qualifications, and the adequacy and feasibility of the Company's construction arrangements, hereby grants to the Company, a non-exclusive franchise, right and privilege to construct, erect, operate and maintain in, upon, along, across, above, over, and under the streets, alleys, public ways and public places now laid out or dedicated and all extensions thereof, and additions thereto, in the City, poles, wires, cables, underground conduits, manholes, and other television conductors and fixtures necessary for the maintenance and operation in the City of a Cable Television System for the purpose of distributing television and radio signals and other electronic impulses in order to furnish television and radio programs, and various communications and other electronic services to the public. The right so granted includes the right to use and occupy said streets, alleys, public ways and public places and all manner of easements for the purposes herein set forth.

SECTION 4: Liability and Indemnification. The Company shall pay and by its acceptance of this franchise the Company expressly agrees that it will pay all damages and penalties which the City may legally be required to pay as a result of the Company's negligence in the installation, operation, or maintenance of the Cable Television System Authorized herein. The City shall notify the Company's representative within fifteen (15) days after the presentation of any claim or demand to the City. either by suit

or otherwise, made against the City on account of a negligence or contract as aforesaid on the part of the Company. The Company shall carry and pay the cost of the following liability insurance in support of its undertaking to hold the City harmless from loss sustained by either on account of the negligence of the Company, in at least the amounts indicated below, for injury to or death of persons and injury to or destruction of property:

- (1) \$50,000.00 for property damage to any one person.
- (2) \$100,000.00 for property damage in any one accident.
- (3) \$100,000.00 for personal injury to any one person.
- (4) \$300,000.00 for personal injury in any one accident.

The Company shall comply with all the provisions of the Workman's Compensation Law of the State of Arkansas.

SECTION 5: Local Office: During the term of this franchise, and any renewal thereof, the Company shall maintain within the area a local business office or agent for the purpose of resolving all complaints regarding the quality of service, equipment malfunctions, and similar matters. The Company shall provide the City Clerk's office with the address and phone number of said office or agent which will receive complaints regarding quality of service, equipment malfunctions and similar matters. The local business office or agent shall be open to receive inquiries or complaints from subscribers regarding the quality of service, equipment malfunctions, and similar matters during normal business hours.

SECTION 6: Condition of Road Occupancy.

(1) The Company may enter into one or more contracts with the Light, Gas, Water and Telephone Companies or the owner or lessee of any poles or posts located within the City to whatever extent such contract or contracts may be expedient and of advantage to the Company furnishing the service covered by this Franchise to its customers.

(2) The Company system, poles, wires, and appurtenances shall be located, erected and maintained so that none of it shall endanger or interfere with the lives of persons, or interfere with any improvements the City may deem proper to make, or hinder unnecessarily or obstruct the free use of the streets, alleys, bridges, easements, or public property.

SECTION 7: Payments to the City. The Company shall, during each year of operation under this Franchise, pay to the City, three (3) per cent of the annual gross subscriber revenues to customers located within the city. At the time of this annual payment, the Company shall furnish the City with an annual report showing the Company's annual gross subscriber revenues during the preceding year.

SECTION 8: Franchise Term. The Franchise granted the Company herein shall terminate fifteen (15) years from date of grant. The franchise may be renewed for periods of reasonable duration not to exceed fifteen (15) years per renewal period, on the same terms and conditions as contained herein, or on such different terms or conditions as are consistent with the requirements of Section 76.31 and other Rules of the Federal Communications Commission. Unless

contrary notification be timely received from the City, the Company's application for renewal shall be approved, provided:

- (1) the Company shows that its CABLE service during the preceding franchise period has reflected a good-faith effort to serve the needs and interests of its franchise area, and
- (2) the Company has not demonstrated a callous disregard for the law and all pertinent regulations.

SECTION 9: Franchise Transfer. The Company is also herewith given authority to transfer this franchise and its respective terms, conditions and rights therto, to its successors, transferees, representatives and assigns.

SECTION 10: Commence of Construction. Upon grant of this Franchise to construct and maintain a community television system in the City of Goshen, Arkansas, the Company may enter into contracts with Light, Gas, Water, and Telephone Companies or others for the use of Poles and posts necessary for proper installation of the system, obtain right of way permits from appropriate State, County and Federal officials necessary to cross highways or roads under their respective jurisdictions to supply main trunk lines from the Company's receiving antennas, obtain permission from the Federal Aviation Authority to erect and maintain antennas suitable to the needs of the system and its subscribers and obtain whatever other permits a County, State or Federal Agency may require. In the construction, installation and maintenance of its system the Company will use steel, cable and electronic devices, all of specialized and

advanced design and type; in the operation of its system the Company will employ personnel with training, skill and experience in electronics and communications. Neither materials nor personnel of this sort will be available to the Company for its system in the event of a war or other similar national emergency.

SECTION 11: Construction Schedule. Within one (1) year from the date the Federal Communications Commission certifies that the Company's plans for cable television operation in and for the City comply with it's Rules and Regulations governing cable television, the Company shall accomplish significant construction of the system; thereafter, it shall reasonably and equitably extend energized trunk cable to twenty (20) per cent of its City Franchise area each year unless additional time is granted by the City Council upon request of the Company for good cause shown.

SECTION 12: Modification of FCC Rules. Consistent with the requirements of Rule 76.31 (a) (6) of the Federal Communications Commission, any modification of Rule 76.31 resulting from amendment thereto by the Federal Communications Commission shall to the extent applicable be considered as a part of this franchise as of the effective date of the amendment made by the FCC and shall be incorporated in such franchise by specific amendments thereto by the lawful action of the City Council within one (1) year from the effective date of the Federal Communications Commission's amendment or at the time of renewal of this franchise, whichever occurs first.

SECTION 13: Activities Prohibited. The Company shall not allow it's cable or other operations to interfere with television reception or persons not served by the Company, nor shall the system interfere with, obstruct or hinder in any manner, the operation of the various utilities serving the residents of the City.

SECTION 14: Limited Purpose. This Franchise is granted by the City Council of Goshen, Arkansas, to the Company purely for the purpose of using easements, streets and highways of the City to erect and construct the Company's system and is not intended to convey any copyrighted or patent privileges whatsoever.

SECTION 15: Separability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any Court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion hereof.

SECTION 16: Ordinance Repealed. All ordinances or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of the Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 17: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance take effect from the date it shall have been passed by the Council, certified and delivered, to the office of the Mayor of Goshen, Arkansas, in writing by the City Clerk, and become effective as otherwise provided by law.

Passed and Approved this 13th day of March, 1990

Euel E Bower

Mayor of the City Council

Robert A Stingley

City Clerk

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, City Clerk of the City of Goshen, Arkansas, hereby certifies that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance NO Six duly passed and approved by the City Council and the Mayor of the City of Goshen, Arkansas, on 13th day of March, 1990, the same being recorded in Book No. _____ at Page _____.

Robert A Stingley

City Clerk