



CITY OF NOVI
Public Utilities & Technology Committee Meeting
February 19, 2025, 5:30 p.m.
Novi Depot Conf. Room | Novi Civic Center | 45175 Ten Mile Road
(248) 347-0445

CALL TO ORDER 5:30 PM

ROLL CALL: Council Members Heintz, Smith, and Thomas

PRESENT: Council Members Heintz, Smith, and Thomas

STAFF LIAISON: Rob Petty, Chief Information Officer

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motioned by: Member Smith; Seconded by Heintz. (Motion approved 3:0)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Minutes of 12/10/2024 and 1/14/2025

Motioned by: Member Heintz; Seconded by Member Smith. (Motion approved 3:0)

REMARKS FROM THE CHAIRPERSON

No remarks from Chairperson Thomas.

MATTERS FOR COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

1. DTE Goals

Key points included the need for regular outage reports, understanding the primary causes of outages, and identifying areas of high outage frequency. Questions were raised about infrastructure maintenance, response times, and community communication during outages. The group also discussed the potential for implementing resilient technologies and the importance of public data transparency.

2. Broadband Next Steps

The committee plans to conduct a community survey to gauge support for a broadband master plan, aiming to provide fiber access, multiple options, and affordability. The next steps involve finalizing survey questions.

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

- Chairperson Thomas and Councilmember Smith agree to work on the flash survey questions and gather community input.
- A discussion was held on the need to budget for the broadband master plan.
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REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS

N/A

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by: Member Heintz; Seconded by Member Smith.
Approved 3:0 (6:30 PM)