COUNTY COUNCIL
FOR MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MARYLAND

Lead Sponsor: Council President at the request of the County Executive

SUBJECT: Transfer of control of cable franchisee Starpower Communications, L.L.C.

Background

1. Chapter 8A of the County Code governs franchise agreements for cable systems. Section 8A-23 governs transfers of franchise agreements. Under Section 8A-23(g), the County Council must take final action on an application for transfer of a franchise after receiving a recommendation from the County Executive.

2. On May 3, 2016, the County Council approved Resolution No. 18-469, which approved a Cable Franchise Agreement with Starpower Communications L.L.C.

3. On April 19, 2021, the Council received the Executive’s recommendation to approve a transfer of control of Starpower Communications, L.L.C. from Radiate Holdings, L.P. to Stonepeak Associates IV, LLC.

4. Under Federal law, the County has until May 5, 2021 to act on the application for transfer for a franchise.

5. The Executive held a public hearing on this proposed transfer on March 1, 2021 as required by Code §8A-23.

Action

The County Council for Montgomery County, Maryland approves the following resolution:

The County Council approves the transfer of control of cable franchisee Starpower Communications, L.L.C. from Radiate Holding, L.P. to Stonepeak Associates, IV, LLC under the terms of the attached Transfer Agreement.

This is a correct copy of Council action.

Selena Mendy Singleton, Esq.,
Clerk of the Council