

# CITY OF SUMAS

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COUNCIL MEETINGS  
SECOND AND FOURTH  
MONDAYS OF EACH MONTH

July 24, 2019

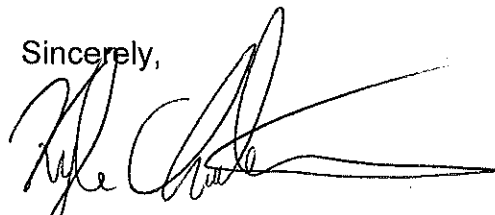
Dear Sumas Cable System Subscriber:

Beginning August 13, 2019, the Sumas Cable System will no longer be able to provide the broadcast from following networks: **ABC (KOMO), CBS (KIRO), CityTV Vancouver, Fox (KCPQ), NBC (KING), and PBS (KCTS)**. Due to changes in the manner by which it is transmitted, the Sumas Cable System will be unable to receive the signal for these networks. The City's cable system is antiquated and the cost to update it with new equipment capable of receiving the signal from these networks would be significant. We are sorry for the inconvenience this change may cause.

This is part of an ongoing trend that calls into question the viability of the City's cable system. Technological changes, increasing subscription fees, the need for new equipment, a decreasing number of subscribers, along with other increasing costs make it difficult for the City to continue to operate its cable system. In light of these circumstances and taking into account past public input on the matter, **the City will be considering ceasing operation of its cable system.**

There will be an opportunity to provide input to the City Council on this issue at either of the next two council meetings: **August 12<sup>th</sup> and August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.** Public comment may be provided at the meetings or may be submitted in writing in advance.

Sincerely,



Kyle Christensen  
Mayor, City of Sumas