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Mayor Neugebauer and City Council,

Four years ago in November 2018, the city sent a survey to residents asking about their experience with broadband in the city. At the time the you wrote to me your goals were:

1. Help them [residents] find the solution that meets their needs; and 2. **Help motivate** service providers to invest more in our community [your emphasis]. There is [sic] many ways to achieve the same goal.

Since that time, AT&T's best offer at my location continues to be "Speeds up to 5Mbps" (no, not Gbps, Mbps!) for an introductory offer of \$55/month--and I live a mile from one of the busiest intersections in Green (619/Arlington).

Being a monopoly provider, unsurprisingly, Spectrum continues to price gouge Green residents. Consider the following introductory offers from Spectrum (see below attached images):

Green: \$49.99 for "up to 200Mbps" for 12 months Fairlawn: \$44.99 for "up to 400Mbps for 24 months

I think we can conclude that your administration has been unable to "motivate service providers to invest more in our community." It is no wonder given the fact broadband has not been discussed even once before City Council during this period (search). Not once. Also the "Technology Committee" has been disbanded and not met for years. Meanwhile high-tech companies like Diebold have left Green for a city with fiber gigabit internet, noting on their way out, "<u>business friendly actions, like Velocity Broadband</u> ... to attract new businesses and tax revenue to Hudson."

Green residents are paying a high price for your administration ignoring the defining infrastructure requirement of a 21st century city. We need to do better.

Sincerely, Gary McKee 3756 Greenfield Rd Uniontown, OH 44685

