

Ector County Independent School District Odessa, Texas

Memorandum

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Hector Mendez, Interim Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE CITY OF ODESSA AND ECTOR COUNTY
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT CONCERNING THE
OPERATION OF THE EDUCATIONAL ACCESS CHANNEL**

DATE: January 22, 2008

Chapter 66, Section 66.009 of the Texas Utility Code is now governing PEG (Public Educational Government) Access Channels. Subsection (f) provides that the operation of a PEG Access Channel shall be the responsibility of the municipality receiving the benefit of the channel. Channel 10 has always been operated by ECISD (with little cost to ECISD) and ECISD has assumed responsibility for the channel. The City has no interest in assuming that function or responsibility, and the resultant contract between the City of Odessa and ECISD provides for Channel 10 to continue to be operated by ECISD pursuant to the State requirements and for ECISD to continue responsibility for its operation and any costs that might arise from that operation.

Karen Johnson, Director of ECISD TV, will be available to answer questions related to this agreement.

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the interlocal agreement between the City of Odessa and Ector County Independent School District concerning the operation of the educational access channel as presented.

Respectfully submitted,

Hector Mendez,
Interim Superintendent of Schools

Brian J. Moersch,
**Executive Director for
District Operations**