SALT LAKE CITY COUNCIL MEMO

DATE: May 25, 2004

SUBJECT: UTOPIA Interlocal Agreement

AFFECTED COUNCIL DISTRICTS: Citywide

MEMO: Michael Sears

ADMINISTRATIVE DEPT. Department of Management Services

AND CONTACT PERSON: Rocky Fluhart

The Utah Telecommunication Open Infrastructure Agency (UTOPIA) has prepared a revised interlocal agreement that is currently being reviewed by the City Attorney's office and the Administration. The interlocal agreement sets forth the requirements of pledging and non-pledging member cities of the UTOPIA. If Salt Lake City wishes to remain a member city of UTOPIA, the City Council must hold a public hearing between the dates of June 14 and June 25 and adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign the interlocal agreement. Because of the 30-day requirement in Senate Bill 66, the hearing cannot be sooner than June 14th. According to UTOPIA's resolution, any member who has not held the hearing and adopted the interlocal agreement by June 25, 2004 is terminated as of June 26, 2004.

During the briefing on May 27, 2004 members of the Administration will be available to discuss the issues and to provide the Council with the Mayor's recommendation regarding UTOPIA. Due to advertising requirements, if the City Council decides to schedule a public hearing during the requested timeframe, the Council must set the date of the hearing on June 1, 2004. Additional briefings on the interlocal agreement and the UTOPIA project may be scheduled before the date of the public hearing.

Attached to this staff report is an email from the Salt Lake City's attorney reviewing the proposed interlocal agreement, a copy of the UTOPIA Board resolution that was adopted on May 14, 2004, the Final Financing Plan that has been developed by UTOPIA and the proposed interlocal agreement.

The Attorney's Office has not been asked to do an extensive draft of the interlocal but they are prepared to do so if Council Members are interested in scheduling a hearing and moving forward.