

Whom Do You Trust?

On April 1st you will have the unique opportunity to influence the future of your hometown. With your vote on the broadband referendum for St. Charles, Geneva and Batavia you will take an active part in preparing the Tri-Cities for the future.

SBC & Comcast say

"Very few of the municipal operations of cable TV and telephone networks have succeeded in a competitive environment."

"If [the cities] don't immediately sign up 1/3 of all businesses and households, they'll have to increase your property taxes to pay the tab - \$62 million worth of increases. That's \$2,353 per household."

This is a "Property Tax Increase Referendum".

"The city governments of Batavia, St. Charles and Geneva (...) believe that since they already operate their own electrical utility, they can provide reliable Internet and telecommunications services as well."

"And in the end, we are confident that you'll be just as proud to have us, as we are to be here."

... and the Truth is:

False. According to a recent AP article more than 500 municipalities are currently offering a variety of telecommunications services. All of them are successful, zero resulted in higher taxes.

Wrong. In fact, the feasibility study expects only 1/6 of all homes to sign up by the end of the second year and we will need less than that to be profitable. This referendum does not require a property tax increase.

It is not. General Obligation bonds will pay for the construction. The bonds will be paid off by subscriber fees.

You betcha! And it will be a better product with better customer service for less money.

If you are so proud to be here, why are you lying to us? Stop spending our subscriber fees on negative advertising to squash the voice of democracy.

Comcast & SBC want to profit at your expense. We want to secure your future.
True Local Service. True Local Accountability. And Your Money Stays Here.

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Vote for Municipal Broadband. Vote for Our Future.