

Understanding the QXC Internet/TV Contract

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After gathering River Club's needs, information and data, the Internet TV contract was awarded to QXC. QXC and Bluestream were the last two considerations to provide Internet and TV services to River Club. The process and details of gathering bids from 6 providers, is found in the article [ChoosingTV Internet Provider 2022.pdf](#) on our website under the Bids section.

Looking at all options and feedback suggested by many owners, the QXC choice allows us to adjust to our needs. While I am an advocate of internet-only services from the HOA, not everyone at RC is ready to stream TV programming. This QXC solution allows us to opt-out of TV services every two years. That said, advocates of choosing to stream their individual programming preferences can help educate others in the next two years should we want individual stream choice, and remove TV programming from QXC should we not value the cost of the features in QXC's application for TV programming. This would be one way to reduce the HOA in the future.

Summary of features and expectations:

- It is a 10 year contract
- QXC will have us online October 1, 2022 or November 1, 2022 still pending that AT&T early buyout. Worst case is we run our current contract out and start would be April 1, 2023 if the buyout fails.
- The expected first billing is January 1, 2023 (unless the AT&T buyout fails)
- Infrastructure build will be done this summer
- Infrastructure (fiber and cables in the ground and to the owner unit) can be bought for \$1 at the end of the contract. River Club will either not pay a monthly infrastructure fee to QXC after 10 years, have another vendor use our infrastructure, or we can do what we wish. This is important because we are now bound by easements given to AT&T and Comcast.
- Each River Club owner will be issued two Firesticks that will run the QXC application. An owner can purchase their own Firesticks for additional TVs but by the agreement, only two streams will be allowed to run simultaneously as part of the agreement. Additional streams can be purchased as well. For those wanting a traditional set top box, they are available for a monthly fee, but are not part of this agreement.
- Snow Bird Mode – is available, and best explained in the contract on page 7, c and d. While an option for River Club, details would need to be discussed with owners because of the way the discount reduces the bulk monthly fees. Ask or read the contract if you need details.
- Internet Only mode – every two years, QXC will allow us to change, or eliminate the TV programming fees and taxes from the contract. In this initial deployment, the TV fees account for \$30/mo/owner plus taxes in the first year.
- Annual adjustments are set to 4% increase
- All equipment is WIFI 6, and backward capable. This is the latest wireless technology for the home
- Each owner will have a dedicated IP address.

- Courtesy outlets and dark fiber wiring - QXC will replicate the free TV services we have in the Club House, Game Room, and Gym. Dark fiber (connects by equipment that River Club purchases) connects the Gate House, Club House, Maintenance/Gym, and docks that will allow us to interconnect cameras and other equipment we wish to integrate them.
- Fees and Feature Summary (below)
Notice the Fee summary calculated at 4% annual increase for 10 years.
- Fiber distribution will be from the Gate House where QXC will install and maintain AC equipment
- Service Level Agreement highlights:

QXC Communications supports and monitors its equipment and services 24 hours per day, 7 days a week, and 365 days a year. QXC does not monitor nor manage Customer's equipment or services. QXC Technical Support/Customer Service is provided on a Best-Efforts basis and is available via email to support@qxc.us 24 hours per day with response objective of 3 hours when received within normal business hours or the next business day if received after normal business hours (Monday-Friday 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM excluding holidays and emergency situations). QXC may, without notice, in its sole discretion, extend standard business hours to 8 PM on weekdays and/or include Saturday hours during seasonal busy season. QXC may, without notice, in its sole discretion, roll back extended business hours to the standard business hours when extended hours are not needed.

A Customer Ticket is opened when QXC Communications receives an email to support@qxc.us or when a Customer contacts QXC Support and receives a ticket number from a QXC Technical Support rep via phone during normal business hours. **Support requests should not be texted or emailed to QXC employees other than to support@qxc.us Support issues are not considered received even if an email or text was sent to a QXC Sales Representative, Relationship Manager, or Concierge.** Customers can call QXC Technical Support/Customer Service via their **community's dedicated support number**, via QXC's standard Technical Support number 6 . 0 . 0 or via our toll-free 866-797-9881, Option 2.

We will be provided a dedicated support number to call QXC.

- With the design of the infrastructure, a separate set of fibers are run to each unit from the gate house. This means that we are monitored on an individual unit basis. A NOC (network operations center) at QXC manages and monitors all devices and it is expected that the NOC knows of trouble before an owner knows of any issue with their connection
- QXC sets performance objectives as described below:

QXC Network Services that are subject to QXC's "SLA" performance objectives are subject to the following criteria:
The QXC Communications Service Level Agreement (SLA) is as follows:

1. Service Availability Objective: 99.5% network availability, annualized method
2. Network latency of 30ms or less round-trip delay (RTD) as measured on a QXC laptop via a wired connection to a globally available DNS server such as 8.8.8.8 or 4.2.2.2
3. Packet Loss: Packet Loss of 2% or less
4. Bandwidth Throughput: Eighty percent (80%) of the stated bandwidth

- QXC also has consequence for not meeting the Performance Objectives as seen below:

Credit for QXC Performance Objective Variances

Credits will be issued in the event QXC does not meet its Performance Objective for services designated as being subject to "SLA" level of service as stated above.

The time stamp on the support ticket is the start of the time measurement.

- Less than 4 hours: No credit
- 4-24 hours: 15% of monthly Services fee for the affected Service
- 1-3 days: 25% of monthly Services fee for the affected Service
- 4-5 days: 50% of monthly Services fee for the affected Service
- 6-10 days: 100% monthly Services fee for the affected Service

Determination of the cause of the Service interruption is to be determined by QXC based on testing performed on QXC Backbone equipment.

- QXC will provide us with a utilization report within 90 days of implementation
On demand, River Club can ask for utilization reports as desired
- QXC will provide a dedicated Community Channel for River Club which will allow owners to see events from their TV. While it requires us to assign someone at River Club to update this, it is a way to connect with less tech-savvy owners to simply watch a TV station for RC updates.
- In negotiations, we asked that door fees be removed from any contract as it appears as an incentive to choose a vendor. QXC does however provide 2 free months that will be used to delay billing.
- Below represents the offer in the contract and what to expect from QXC:

Monthly Bulk Price (per unit plus taxes & fees) 1/24/22



Key Deal Terms: River Club of Martin County, Inc.

Option #2 : Bulk TV and Internet Service: "The Navy"

- **TV Service:**

Includes :

- "The Navy" Channel Tier
- Includes Two (2) 4K Fire TV Max's w/ Voice Remotes
- Includes (2) (2) Video Streams
- Multi-Room Cloud DVR
- Stingray Music 50 Channels
- "Ketchup TV" replay live TV up to 72 hours

- **Internet Service:**

Includes

- Symmetrical speed of 300/300mbps per unit
- One (1) Complimentary Static IP per unit
- In-Home Managed Wifi
 - Dual Band Password Protected WIFI Networks
- One (1) TP-Link Deco WIFI 6 Router
 - Whole Home Mesh Platform
 - (4x4 MIMO/ 802.11ax)

- **Notes:**

- \$69.99 per unit, per month, plus taxes and fees.
- 4 Complimentary outlets for HOA use negotiable
- Included Dark Fiber access as requested
- **Minimum 2-year term on TV, 10-year term on Internet**
- 4% annual escalator
- 2 Free Months of Bulk Service for HOA

Year	Internet	TV	FTTH	FTTH
1	\$31.99	\$29.99	\$8.01	\$69.99
2	\$33.27	\$31.19	\$8.33	\$72.79
3	\$34.60	\$32.44	\$8.66	\$75.70
4	\$35.98	\$33.73	\$9.01	\$78.72
5	\$37.42	\$35.08	\$9.37	\$81.87
6	\$38.92	\$36.49	\$9.74	\$85.15
7	\$40.48	\$37.95	\$10.13	\$88.55
8	\$42.10	\$39.46	\$10.53	\$92.10
9	\$43.78	\$41.04	\$10.96	\$95.78
10	\$45.53	\$42.69	\$11.39	<u>\$99.61</u>

- Core programs included in the bulk agreement:



Welcome to QXC-TV!

Your TV package lineup designed exclusively for your community.



Local Channels 25 ABC WPBF 7 Antenna TV 35 Azteca 14 Bounce 12 CBS WPEC 2 Charge! 33 Circle 6 Comet 17 Court TV 13 Court TV Mystery 34 CW 10 DABL 26 Estrella TV 29 FOX WFLX 30 Grit 16 Laff 8 MeTV 15 MyTV 5 NBC WPBT 20 PBS 3 PBS Kids 31 Quest 36 Rewind TV 4 Stadium 37 Start TV 9 TBD 51 Telemundo 24 True Crime Network 23 Univision 307 3ABN 309 3ABN Dare to Dream* 311 3ABN Latino* 313 3ABN Proclaim* 541 A&E 243 ACC-Core 531 AMC 351 Animal Planet 551 AWE 137 BBC America 415 BET 535 Bravo 623 Cartoon Network 427 CMT	113 CNBC 135 CNBC World 127 CNN 441 Comedy Central 119 CSPAN-1 (House of Reps) 121 CSPAN-2 (Senate) 123 CSPAN-3 (Public Affairs) 325 Discovery Channel 613 Disney Channel 433 E! 201 ESPN 203 ESPN-2 305 EWTN 437 Food Network 111 Fox Business Network 109 Fox News Channel 215 Fox Sports-1 217 Fox Sports-2 537 Freeform 555 FX 559 FX Movie Channel 557 FXX 803 Galavision 507 Hallmark Channel 511 Hallmark Drama 509 Hallmark Movie Channel 547 HGTV 303 Hillson (TBN Inspire 1.1.2022) 319 History Channel 131 HLN 365 HSN 333 Investigation Discovery 525 ION 501 Lifetime 503 Lifetime Movie Network 339 Military History 229 MLB Network* 271 MotorTrend 115 MSNBC 401 MTV 343 Nat Geo Wild 341 National Geographic 227 NBA TV 213 NBC Sports Network 117 Newsmax 251 Next Level Sports* 219 NFL Network 223 NHL Network 601 Nickelodeon 125 OAN 455 OWN 457 Oxygen 453 Paramount 361 QVC 363 QVC-2 245 SEC 369 Shop LC* 367 ShopHQ 529 SyFy 301 TBN 515 TBS 211 Tennis Channel 103 The Weather Channel 539 TLC 517 TNT 347 Travel Channel 519 TruTV 513 Turner Classic Movies 523 TV Land 273 TVG* 533 USA Network 425 VH1 101 Weather Scan* 459 WEtv Stingray Music Channels 901 Rock 902 Rock Alternative 903 Heavy Metal 904 Alt Rock Classics 905 Classic Rock 906 Adult Alternative 907 Eclectic Electronic 908 Maximum Party 909 No Fences 910 Pop Adult	911 Pop Classics 912 Hit List 913 Broadway 914 Chamber Music 915 Classic Masters 916 Easy Listening 917 Flashback 70's 918 Everything 80's 919 Nothin' but 90's 920 Y2K 921 Kids' Stuff 922 Swinging Standards 923 Dance Clubbin' 924 Dancehall Session 925 Gospel 926 Holiday Hits 927 Jukebox Oldies 928 Soca Motion 929 Soul Storm 930 Urban Beats 931 Smooth Jazz 932 The Blues 933 The Chill Lounge 934 The Light 935 The Spa 936 Classic RnB & Soul 937 Jammin' 938 Jazz Masters 939 Jazz Now 940 Groove Disco & Funk 941 Hip Hop 942 Bluegrass 943 Folk Roots 944 Alt-Country Americana 945 Country Classics 946 Hot Country 947 Caribbean Vintage Vibes 948 Today's Latin Pop 949 Rock en Espanol 950 Romance Latino 951 Retro Latino 952 Latino Tropical 953 Latino Urbana
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All channels on this page are included in your base TV package. To add channels, select from the list on the back side.
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equipment works, and the owner has had training and an understanding of the new equipment and service.

Next Steps:

- QXC will be busy getting permits, design and all in order and applications in.
- **We should not expect much onsite work for 60-90 days**
- QXC will contract with the major network provider (most likely AT&T) to bring fiber from the street to the Gate House. That is the first step before any other equipment is brought in.
- QXC will modify the Gate House interior and will most likely insulate and install a new AC unit
- Once the Fiber uplink is installed, AC unit in place, QXC will begin digging external fiber outside our buildings.
- QXC in the mean time, will communicate with River Club to set up accounts and find out what owners want more programming, phones, and the like.
- QXC will also be asking us for permission and plans/permissions to enter owner units. Some is TBD as of the writing of this.
- It is estimated now that the installs will finish in August or September.
- As of the writing of this note, we still await confirmation of the AT&T buyout process, but QXC is in process to get us up and running.