



Snohomish County Council

Committee: Public Works
ECAF: 2022-0728
Motion: 22-316

Analyst: Nicole Gorle
Date: August 8, 2022

Consideration:

Authorize the Executive to sign the letter for Cable Franchise Reimbursement – Application/Processing Fees and authorize the Finance Department to allocation a portion of the franchise fee payment to reimburse the road fund for legal and consulting costs.

Background:

On July 13, 2022 the Snohomish County Council approved a non-exclusive franchise agreement with Comcast Cable Communications, LLC and Comcast Cable Communications Management, LLC for limited use of the public road rights-of way in Snohomish County.¹ At the time of approval, it was understood that the County would be reimbursed for the cost of staff time , consulting, and legal expenses for processing the application, prior to the recording of the franchise.²

Current Proposal:

Scope: Authorize the Executive to sign the letter for Cable Franchise Agreement Reimbursement – Application/Processing Fees required for Finance to process the next franchise fee payment to reimburse the road fund for legal and consulting costs.

Duration: n/a

Budget: Comcast will reimburse the County \$44,108 for the cost of Public Work’s staff time used and a \$93,057 franchise fee to cover legal and consultant costs related to the application/processing of the agreement approved through Ordinance 22-026.

2022 Budget: Yes

Future Budget Impact: No

Handling: Normal

Approved-as-to-form: n/a

Risk Management: Yes

Executive Recommendation: Approve

Attachment: None

Amendments: None

Request: Move to GLS on August 24th for consideration.

¹ [Ordinance 22-026](#)

² Ordinance 22-026 [Staff Report](#): See page 1 – Current Proposal – Fiscal Implications