



Snohomish County Council

Committee: Committee of the Whole

Analyst: Deb Evison Bell

ECAF: 2023-0313

Proposal: Ord. 23-031

Date: April 18, 2023

Consideration

The proposed ordinance would grant a non-exclusive franchise authorizing limited use of the public road rights-of-way in portions of unincorporated Snohomish County, Washington to Fatbeam, LLC, under RCW 36.55.010, Snohomish County Charter 9.20, and SCC 13.80.

Background

Fatbeam, LLC has applied to Snohomish County for a non-exclusive franchise to construct, maintain, operate, replace and repair telecommunications facilities, including fiber optic cables, within public rights-of-way in unincorporated Snohomish County, specifically Township 28 North, Range 8 East, Sections 35 and 36 (between Sultan and Gold Bar).

Fatbeam, LLC agrees to comply with all requirements of Federal Law, State Law, County Charter, County Code, the County EDDS, the County's Utility Accommodation Policy, all rights-of-way use permit application, review, and construction standards, including but not limited to the County's Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Code, and other development regulations.

Included in the ECAF packet is an illustration of the franchise area as specified in Section 2 of the Franchise and as depicted in Exhibit A of the County Engineers Report with recommendation, which is to grant the right-of-way franchise, under SCC 13.80.040.

Current Proposal

Scope: Approval by Council of this non-exclusive franchise to Fatbeam, LLC.

Duration: An initial term of ten (10) years is recommended with an automatic renewal for an additional ten (10) years.

Fiscal Implications: County expenditures are estimated at \$1,000.00, and all costs are to be reimbursed by the applicant to Public Works prior to recording of the franchise.

Budget Impacts: NA

Handling: Normal

Approved-as-to-form: YES

Risk Management: APPROVE.

Executive Recommendation: APPROVE.

Attachments: See ECAF packet.

Amendments: NONE.

Request: The requested action is for Council to set a time and date for a Public Hearing (May 10, 2023, at 10:30 am is suggested).