ORDINANCE NO. 1233-24

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALGONA, WASHINGTON, GRANTING TO ZIPLY FIBER PACIFIC, LLC DBA ZIPLY FIBER AND ITS AFFILIATES, SUCCESSORS, AND ASSIGNS THE RIGHT, PRIVILEGE, AUTHORITY, AND NONEXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE FOR FIVE YEARS TO CONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN, OPERATE, REPLACE, AND REPAIR A TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK IN, ACROSS, OVER, ALONG, UNDER, THROUGH, AND BELOW THE PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY OF THE CITY OF ALGONA, WASHINGTON.

WHEREAS, Ziply Fiber Pacific, LLC dba Ziply Fiber (the "Franchisee") has requested that the City Council grant a nonexclusive franchise (this "Franchise") for purposes of operating and maintaining a telecommunications network; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has the authority to grant franchises for the use of its streets and other public properties pursuant to RCW 35A.47.040; and

WHEREAS, the Algona Municipal Code requires persons who are seeking to operate and maintain wireline telecommunications facilities in City rights-of-way to obtain a franchise to do so; and

WHEREAS, the City is willing to grant the rights requested by Franchisee for a wireline franchise subject to certain terms and conditions, which are acceptable to both parties.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALGONA, WASHINGTON, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. FRANCHISE GRANTED. Franchisee is granted a non-exclusive franchise for the transmission of wireline telecommunications in, through, over, and under the rights-of-way of the City of Algona, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the franchise language detailed in Section 3 of this Ordinance.

<u>Section 2</u>. EFFECTIVE DATE. In compliance with RCW 35A.47.040, this Ordinance shall take effect five (5) days after its passage, approval, and publication of an approved summary thereof consisting of the title, all as required by law ("Effective Date").

<u>Section 3</u>. TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF FRANCHISE. The following provisions establish the terms and conditions of the franchise granted herein:

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This Franchise is entered into in Algona, Washington, by and between the City of Algona, a Washington municipal corporation (hereinafter "the City"), and Ziply Fiber Pacific, LLC dba Ziply Fiber (the "Franchisee"). The City and Franchisee are sometimes referred to hereinafter collectively as the "parties."

Section 1. Franchise Granted.

Section 1.1 Pursuant to RCW 35A.47.040, the City hereby grants to the Franchisee, its affiliates, heirs, successors, legal representatives, and assigns, subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter set forth, a Franchise for a period of five (5) years, beginning on the Effective Date of this ordinance. This franchise will automatically renew for an additional five (5) year period, unless either party provides at least ninety (90) days' written notice of its intent not to renew.

Section 1.2 This Franchise ordinance grants Franchisee the right, privilege, and authority to construct, operate, maintain, replace, relocate, repair, upgrade, remove, excavate, acquire, restore, and use the Facilities, as defined in Section 2.1, for its telecommunications network, in, under, on, across, over, through, along, or below the public Rights-of-Ways located in the City of Algona, as approved pursuant to City codes and permits issued pursuant to this Franchise. Public "Rights-of-Way" means all public streets and property granted or reserved for, or dedicated to, public use for street purposes, together with public property granted or reserved for, or dedicated to, public use for walkways, sidewalks, bikeways and horse trails, whether improved or unimproved, including the air rights, sub-surface rights and easements related thereto. Rights-of-Way for the purpose of this Franchise do not include: buildings, other City-owned physical facilities, parks, poles, conduits, fixtures, real property or property rights owned by the City, or similar facilities or property owned by or leased to the City. Franchisee is required to obtain a lease or similar agreement for the usage of any City or third party owned poles, conduit, fixtures, or structures.

Section 2. Authority Limited to Occupation of Public Rights-of-Way for Services.

Section 2.1 The authority granted herein is a limited authorization to occupy and use the Rights-of-Way throughout the City (the "Franchise Area"). The Franchisee is authorized to place its Facilities in the Rights-of-Way only consistent with this Franchise, the Algona Comprehensive Plan, the Algona Public Works Standards, and the Algona Municipal Code (collectively, the "Codes"). Nothing contained herein shall be construed to grant or convey any right, title, or interest in the Rights-of-Way of the City to the Franchisee other than for the purpose of providing telecommunications services. The following "Services" are permitted under this Franchise: high speed data and fiber optic services, internet protocol-based services (including voice over internet protocol), internet access services, conduit and dark fiber leasing, telephone, and data transport services conveyed using wireline facilities. For the purposes of this Franchise the term Facilities excludes "microcell" facilities, "minor facilities," "small cell facilities," all as defined by RCW 80.36.375, and small wireless facilities as defined by 47 CFR 1.6002, including towers and new base stations and other similar facilities used for the provision of "personal wireless services" as defined by RCW 80.36.375 (collectively "Personal Wireless Services").

<u>Section 2.2</u> This Franchise does not grant the right to offer cable internet services or Cable Services as those terms are defined in 47 U.S.C. § 522(6) by wireline transmission.

Section 2.3 No right to install any facility, infrastructure, wires, lines, cables, or other equipment, on any City property other than a Right-of-Way, or upon private property without the owner's consent, or upon any City, public, or privately-owned poles or conduits is granted herein. Nothing contained within this Franchise shall be construed to grant or convey any right, title, or interest in the Rights-of-Way of the City to Franchisee other than for the purpose of providing the Services, or to subordinate the primary use of the Right-of-Way as a public thoroughfare. If Franchisee desires to expand the Services provided within the City, it shall request a written amendment to this Franchise. If Franchisee desires to use City-owned property, or to site new structures within the Rights-

of-Way, it shall enter into a separate lease, site specific agreement, or license agreement with the City.

<u>Section 2.4</u> Franchisee shall have the right, without prior City approval, to offer or provide capacity or bandwidth to its customers consistent with this Franchise provided:

- (a) Franchisee at all times retains exclusive control over its telecommunications system, Facilities and Services and remains responsible for constructing, installing, and maintaining its Facilities pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Franchise;
- (b) Franchisee may not grant rights to any customer or lessee that are greater than any rights Franchisee has pursuant to this Franchise; and
- (c) Such customer or lessee shall not be construed to be a third-party beneficiary under this Franchise.

Section 3. Non-Exclusive Franchise Grant. This Franchise is a non-exclusive franchise and is granted upon the express condition that it shall not in any manner prevent the City from granting other or further franchises in, along, over, through, under, below, or across any said Rights-of-Way. This Franchise shall in no way prevent or prohibit the City from using any of said roads, streets, or other public properties or affect its jurisdiction over them or any part of them, and the City shall retain power to make all necessary changes, relocations, repairs, maintenance, establishment, improvement, dedication of same as the City may deem fit, including the dedication, establishment, maintenance, and improvement of all new Rights-of-Way, thoroughfares and other public properties of every type and description.

Section 4. Location of Telecommunications Network Facilities.

Section 4.1 Franchisee may locate its Facilities anywhere within the Franchise Area consistent with and subject to the City's Algona Standards for Public Works Engineering and Construction Manual and applicable Code requirements in effect at the time of the specific Facility application is submitted as well as any requirements included in the facility permit. Franchisee shall not be required to amend this Franchise to

construct or acquire Facilities within the Franchise Area, provided that Franchisee does not expand its Services beyond those described in Section 2.

Section 4.2 To the extent that any Rights-of-Way within the Franchise Area are part of the state highway system ("State Highways"), are considered managed access by the City and are governed by the provisions of Chapter 47.24 RCW and applicable Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) regulations, Franchisee shall comply fully with said requirements in addition to local ordinances and other applicable regulations. Without limitation of the foregoing, Franchisee specifically agrees that:

- (a) any pavement trenching, and restoration performed by Franchisee within State Highways shall meet or exceed applicable WSDOT requirements;
- (b) any portion of a State Highway damaged or injured by Franchisee shall be restored, repaired and/or replaced by Franchisee to a condition that meets or exceeds applicable WSDOT requirements; and
- (c) without prejudice to any right or privilege of the City, WSDOT is authorized to enforce in an action brought in the name of the State of Washington any condition of this Franchise with respect to any portion of a State Highway.

Section 5. Relocation of Telecommunications Network Facilities.

Section 5.1 Relocation Requirement. Consistent with the requirements of AMC 12.02.250, the City may require Franchisee, and Franchisee covenants and agrees, to protect, support, relocate, remove, and/or temporarily disconnect or relocate its Facilities within the Right-of-Way when required by the City for projects covered by AMC 12.02.250(A), and consistent with the timeline contained in AMC 12.02.250(B). Costs and expenses associated with relocations or disconnections ordered pursuant to this Section 5.1 shall be apportioned as set forth in AMC 12.02.250(C) and RCW 35.99.060.

<u>Section 5.2</u> Relocation – Third-Party Structures. If the request for relocation from the City originates due to a Public Project, in which structures or poles are either replaced or removed, then Franchisee shall relocate or remove its Facilities as required by the City and at no cost to the City, subject to the procedure in Section 5.5.

Section 5.3 Relocation – Franchisee-Owned Structures. The cost of relocation of any Franchisee-owned poles or structures shall be determined in accordance with the requirements of RCW 35.99.060(3)(b) for any aerial to underground relocations. For this Section 5.3, designation of the Right-of-Way for a Public Project shall be undertaken in the City's Comprehensive Plan in accordance with the requirements of Ch. 36.70A RCW. The Comprehensive Plan includes, but is not limited to, the Transportation element or Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP), Capital Facilities element, utilities element and any other element authorized by RCW 36.70A.070 and RCW 36.70A.080.

Section 5.4 Locate. Franchisee shall maintain accurate maps and improvement plans of its Facilities located within the City. Franchisee shall provide, upon demand of the Public Works Director, or designee, and deliver to the office of the Public Works Department free of charge, within thirty (30) days after such demand, such maps and plans as may be required to show in detail the exact location, size, depth, and description of all Franchisee Facilities installed within said Public Right-of-Way. If such maps and plans are not available for City requests, Franchisee shall, at Franchisee's sole cost and expense, expose by potholing to a depth of one foot (1') below the bottom of Franchisee's subsurface Facilities, within thirty (30) days of receipt of a written request from the City to do so.

Section 5.5 Notice and Relocation Process. If the City determines that the project necessitates the relocation of Franchisee's existing Facilities, the City shall provide Franchisee notice in writing as soon as practicable with a date by which the relocation shall be completed (the "Relocation Date") consistent with RCW 35.99.060(2). In calculating the Relocation Date, the City shall consult with Franchisee and consider the extent of facilities to be relocated, the services requirements, and the construction sequence for the relocation, within the City's overall project construction sequence and constraints, to safely complete the relocation. Relocation schedules and the timeline for the work to be completed shall be in compliance with AMC 12.02.250(B). Franchisee shall complete the relocation by the Relocation Date, unless the City or a reviewing court establishes a later date for completion, as described in RCW 35.99.060(2) or by mutual agreement of the City and the Franchisee. To provide guidance on this notice process,

the City will make reasonable efforts to engage in the following recommended process, absent an emergency posing a threat to public safety or welfare or an emergency beyond the control of the City that will result in severe financial consequences to the City:

- (a) The City will consult with the Franchisee in the predesign phase of any Public Project in order to coordinate the project's design with Franchisee's Facilities within such project's area.
- (b) Franchisee shall participate in predesign meetings until such time as (i) both parties mutually determine that Franchisee's Facilities will not be affected by the Public Project or (ii) until the City provides Franchisee with written notice regarding the relocation as provided in subsection (d) below.
- (c) Franchisee shall, during the predesign phase, evaluate and provide comments to the City related to any alternatives to possible relocations. The City will give any alternatives proposed by the Franchisee full and fair consideration, but the final decision accepting or rejecting any specific alternative shall be within the City's sole discretion.
- (d) In the event that the provisions of a state or federal grant require a different notification period or process than that outlined in Section 5.5, the City will notify the Franchisee during the predesign meetings and the process mandated by the grant funding will control.
- (e) Within 30 days following receipt of such written notice, Franchisee shall provide a schedule to the City indicating the estimated completion date for such required relocation. The relocation work shall be completed within 90 days following the original notice by the city unless a different duration is specifically authorized by the city engineer Such relocation shall be provided at no charge or expense to the City unless otherwise permitted under state law. Such timeline may be extended by a mutual agreement.

<u>Section 5.6</u> Alternative Arrangements. The provisions of this Section 5 shall in no manner preclude or restrict Franchisee from making any arrangements it may deem appropriate when responding to a request for relocation of its Facilities by any person or entity other than the City, where the facilities to be constructed by said person or entity

are not or will not become City-owned, operated, or maintained facilities, provided that such arrangements do not unduly delay a City construction project.

Section 5.7 Contractor Delay Claims. Franchisee shall be solely responsible for the actual costs incurred by the City for delays in a Public Project to the extent the delay is caused by or arises out of Franchisee's failure to comply with the final schedule for the relocation (other than as a result of a Force Majeure Event or causes or conditions caused by the acts or omissions of the City or any third party unrelated to Franchisee. Franchisee vendors and contractors shall not be considered unrelated third parties) or failure to properly locate existing facilities. Such costs may include, but are not limited to, payment to the City's contractors and/or consultants for increased costs and associated court costs, interest, and attorney fees incurred by the City to the extent directly attributable to such Franchisee's caused delay in the Public Project.

Section 5.8 Indemnification. Franchisee will indemnify, hold harmless, and pay the costs of defending the City, in accordance with the provisions of Section 15, against any and all claims, suits, actions, damages, or liabilities for delays on City construction projects caused by or arising out of the failure of Franchisee to remove or relocate its Facilities as provided in this Section 5; provided, that Franchisee shall not be responsible for damages due to delays caused by circumstances beyond the control of Franchisee or the sole negligence, willful misconduct, or unreasonable delay of the City or any third party.

Section 5.9 Building Moving. Whenever any person shall have obtained permission from the City to use any Right-of-Way for the purpose of moving any building, Franchisee, upon seven (7) days' written notice from the City, shall raise, remove, or relocate to another part of the Right-of-Way, at the expense of the person desiring to move the building, any of Franchisee's Facilities that may obstruct the removal of such building.

<u>Section 5.10</u> *City's Costs.* If Franchisee fails, neglects, or refuses to remove or relocate its Facilities as directed by the City following the procedures outlined in Section 5.1 through Section 5.5, then upon at least ten (10) days' written notice to Franchisee,

the City may perform such work (including removal) or cause it to be done, and the City's costs shall be paid by Franchisee pursuant to Section 14.3 and Section 14.4, and the City shall not be responsible for any damage to the Facilities.

<u>Section 5.11</u> *Survival.* The provisions of this Section 5 shall survive the expiration or termination of this Franchise during such time as Franchisee continues to have Facilities in the Rights-of-Way.

Section 6. Undergrounding of Facilities.

Section 6.1 Wireline Facilities.

- (a) As it pertains to Franchisee's wireline Facilities, Franchisee shall not be permitted to erect poles or to run or suspend wires, cables or other facilities thereon, but shall lay such wires, cables or other facilities underground in the manner required by the City, except as prohibited by applicable law or unless specifically allowed pursuant to a permit. Franchisee acknowledges and agrees that if the City does not require the undergrounding of its wireline Facilities at the time of permit application, the City may, at any time in the future, require the conversion of Franchisee's aerial wireline Facilities to underground installation at Franchisee's expense, except as otherwise provided in RCW 35.99.060(4) or other applicable law. Unless otherwise permitted by the City, Franchisee shall underground its wireline Facilities in all new developments and subdivisions, and any development or subdivision where utilities, other than electrical utilities, are currently underground.
- (b) Whenever the City may require the undergrounding of the aerial utilities in any area of the City, Franchisee shall underground its wireline Facilities in the manner specified by the City, concurrently with and in the area of the other affected utilities. The location of any such relocated and underground utilities shall be approved by the City. Where other utilities are present and involved in the undergrounding project, Franchisee shall only be required to pay its fair share of common costs borne by all utilities, in addition to the costs specifically attributable to the undergrounding of Franchisee's own wireline Facilities. "Common costs" shall include necessary costs not specifically attributable to the undergrounding of any particular facility, such as costs for common trenching and

utility vaults. "Fair share" shall be determined for a project on the basis of the number and size of Franchisee's wireline Facilities being undergrounded in comparison to the total number and size of all other utility facilities being undergrounded.

Section 6.2 To the extent Franchisee is providing wireline Facilities to Small Wireless Facilities owned by a third party, Franchisee shall adhere to the design standards for such Small Wireless Facilities, and shall underground its wireline Facilities and/or place its wireline Facilities within the pole as may be required by such design standards. For the purposes of clarity, this Section 6.1(b) does not require undergrounding or interior placement of wireline Facilities within the pole to the extent that the Small Wireless Facilities are located on utility poles that have pre-existing aerial telecommunications facilities and provided such construction of Franchisee's Facilities continue to comply with Section 6.1.

Section 6.3 Franchisee shall not remove any underground Facilities that require trenching or other opening of the Rights-of-Way, except as provided in this Section 6.1. Franchisee may remove any underground Facilities from the Right-of-Way that have been installed in such a manner that it can be removed without trenching or other opening of the Right-of-Way, or if otherwise permitted by the City. Franchisee may remove any underground cable from the Rights-of-Way where reasonably necessary to replace, upgrade, or enhance its Facilities, or pursuant to Section 5. When the City determines, in the City's reasonable discretion, that Franchisee's underground Facilities must be removed in order to eliminate or prevent a hazardous condition, Franchisee shall remove such Facilities at Franchisee's sole cost and expense. Franchisee must apply and receive a permit, pursuant to Section 8.2, prior to any such removal of underground Facilities from the Right-of-Way and must provide as-built plans and maps pursuant to Section 7.1.

<u>Section 6.4</u> The provisions of this Section 6 shall survive the expiration, revocation, or termination of this Franchise. Nothing in this Section 6 shall be construed as requiring the City to pay any costs of undergrounding any of the Franchisee's Facilities.

Section 7. Maps and Records.

Section 7.1 Franchisee shall provide the City with an accurate as-built map or maps certifying the location of all Facilities within the City annually. Upon request by the City, Franchisee shall, within 30 calendar days, at no cost to the City: (1) submit sufficient information to demonstrate that Franchisee has complied with all requirements of AMC Chapter 12.02; (2) verify that all fees due to the City in connection with the Facilities have been paid by Franchisee; and (3) make all books, records, maps and other documents maintained by Franchisee with respect to the Facilities within Rights-of-Way available for inspection by the City.

Section 7.2 Nothing in Section 7.1 shall be construed to require Franchisee to violate state or federal law regarding customer privacy, nor shall this Section 7.2 be construed to require Franchisee to disclose proprietary or confidential information without adequate safeguards for its confidential or proprietary nature. Unless otherwise permitted or required by State or federal law, nothing in this Section 7.2 shall be construed as permission to withhold relevant customer data from the City that the City requests in conjunction with a tax audit or review; provided, however, Franchisee may redact identifying information including but not limited to names, street addresses (excluding City and zip code), Social Security Numbers, or Employer Identification Numbers related to any confidentiality agreements Franchisee has with third parties.

Section 7.3 Franchisee shall not be required to disclose information that it reasonably deems to be proprietary or confidential in nature; provided, however, Franchisee shall disclose such information to comply with a utility tax audit. Franchisee shall be responsible for clearly and conspicuously identifying the work as confidential or proprietary and shall provide a brief written explanation as to why such information is confidential and how it may be treated as such under State or federal law. In the event that the City receives a public records request under Chapter 42.56 RCW or similar law for the disclosure of information Franchisee has designated as confidential, trade secret, or proprietary, the City shall promptly provide written notice of such disclosure so that Franchisee can take appropriate steps to protect its interests.

Section 7.4 Nothing in Section 7.2 or Section 7.3 prohibits the City from complying with Chapter 42.56 RCW or any other applicable law or court order requiring the release of public records, and the City shall not be liable to Franchisee for compliance with any law or court order requiring the release of public records. The City shall comply with any injunction or court order obtained by Franchisee that prohibits the disclosure of any such confidential records; however, in the event a higher court overturns such injunction or court order and such higher court action is or has become final and non-appealable, Franchisee shall reimburse the City for any fines or penalties imposed for failure to disclose such records as required hereunder within sixty (60) days of a request from the City.

Section 8. Work in the Rights-of-Way.

Section 8.1 During any period of relocation, construction or maintenance, all work performed by Franchisee or its contractors shall be accomplished in a safe and workmanlike manner, so to minimize interference with the free passage of traffic and the free use of adjoining property, whether public or private. Franchisee shall at all times post and maintain proper barricades, flags, flaggers, lights, flares and other measures as required for the safety of all members of the general public and comply with all applicable safety regulations during such period of construction as required by the ordinances of the City or the laws of the State of Washington, including RCW 39.04.180 for the construction of trench safety systems. The provisions of this Section 8 shall survive the expiration or termination of this Franchise and during such time as Franchisee continues to have Facilities in the Rights-of-Way.

Section 8.2 Whenever Franchisee shall commence work in any Rights-of-Way it shall apply to the City for a permit consistent with the requirements of the Municipal Code. During the progress of the work, the Franchisee shall not unnecessarily obstruct the passage or proper use of the Rights-of-Way, and all work by the Franchisee in the area shall be performed in accordance with applicable City standards and specifications and warranted consistent with the Municipal Code requirements. In no case shall any work

commence within any Rights-of-Way without a permit, except as otherwise provided in this Franchise or by Code.

Section 8.3 The City reserves the right to limit or exclude Franchisee's access to a specific route, public Right-of-Way or other location when, in the judgment of the Public Works Director there is inadequate space (including but not limited to compliance with ADA clearance requirements and maintaining a clear and safe passage through the Rights-of-Way), a pavement cutting moratorium, unnecessary damage to public property, public expense, inconvenience, interference with City utilities, or for any other lawful reason determined by the Public Works Director.

<u>Section 8.4</u> New wireline Facilities shall not be installed on existing metal street light standards or traffic signal standards unless specifically approved by the Public Works Director.

<u>Section 8.5</u> If the Franchisee shall at any time plan to make excavations in any area covered by this Franchise, the Franchisee shall afford the City, upon receipt of a written request to do so, an opportunity to share such excavation, PROVIDED THAT:

- (a) Such joint use shall not unreasonably delay the work of the Franchisee causing the excavation to be made;
- (b) Such joint use shall be arranged and accomplished on terms and conditions satisfactory to both parties;
- (c) To the extent reasonably possible, Franchisee, at the direction of the City, shall cooperate with the City and provide other private utility companies with the opportunity to utilize joint or shared excavations in order to minimize disruption and damage to the Right-of-Way, as well as to minimize traffic-related impacts; and
- (d) Franchisee may only charge the incremental costs to the City of installing facilities supplied by the City in such joint or shared excavations.
- (e) If required by a permit, Franchisee shall give reasonable advance notice of intended construction to entities or persons adjacent to the affected area. Such notice shall contain the dates, contact number, nature and location of the work to be performed.

(f) Following performance of the work, Franchisee shall restore the Right-of-Way to City standards in effect at the time of construction except for any change in condition not caused by Franchisee. Any disturbance of landscaping, fencing, or other improvements on private property caused by Franchisee's work shall, at the sole expense of Franchisee, be promptly repaired and restored to the reasonable satisfaction of the property owner/resident. Notwithstanding the above, nothing herein shall give Franchisee the right to enter onto private property without the permission of such private property owner, or as otherwise authorized by applicable law (e.g., RCW 80.36.020).

<u>Section 8.6</u> Franchisee may trim trees upon and overhanging on public ways, streets, alleys, sidewalks, and other public places of the City consistent with AMC 8.26.090. Franchisee shall be responsible for all debris removal from such activities. All trimming, except in emergency situations, is to be done after the explicit prior written notification and approval of the City and at the expense of Franchisee. Franchisee may contract for such services, however, any firm or individual so retained must first receive City permit approval prior to commencing such trimming. Nothing herein grants Franchisee any authority to act on behalf of the City, to enter upon any private property, or to trim any tree or natural growth encroaching into the Public Rights-of-Way. Franchisee shall be solely responsible and liable for any damage to any third parties' trees or natural growth caused by Franchisee's actions. Franchisee shall indemnify, defend and hold harmless the City from third-party claims of any nature arising out of any act or negligence of Franchisee with regard to tree and/or natural growth trimming, damage, and/or removal. Franchisee shall reasonably compensate the City or the property owner for any damage caused by trimming, damage, or removal by Franchisee. Except in an emergency situation, all tree trimming must be performed under the direction of an arborist certified by the International Society of Arboriculture, and in a manner consistent with the most recent issue of "Standards of Pruning for Certified Arborists" as developed by the International Society of Arboriculture or its industry accepted equivalent (ANSI A300), unless otherwise approved by the Public Works Director or his/her designee.

<u>Section 8.7</u> Franchisee shall meet with the City and other franchise holders and users of the Rights-of-Way upon reasonable advance written notice to schedule and coordinate construction in the Rights-of-Way. All construction locations, activities, and schedules shall be coordinated, as ordered by the City to minimize public inconvenience, disruption or damages.

Section 8.8 Franchisee shall maintain all above ground improvements that it places on City Rights-of-Way pursuant to this Franchise. In order to avoid interference with the City's ability to maintain the Right-of-Way, Franchisee shall provide a clear zone of five (5) feet on all sides of such improvements. If Franchisee fails to comply with this provision, and by its failure, property is damaged, then Franchisee shall be responsible for all damages caused thereby, including restoration.

Section 9. One Call Locator Service. Prior to doing any work in the Rights-of-Way, the Franchisee shall follow established procedures, including contacting the Utility Notification Center in Washington and comply with all applicable State statutes regarding the One Call Locator Service pursuant to Chapter 19.122 RCW. Further, upon request, by the City or a third party, Franchisee shall locate its Facilities consistent with the requirements of Chapter 19.122 RCW. The City shall not be liable for any damages to Franchisee's Facilities or for interruptions in service to Franchisee's customers that are a direct result of Franchisee's failure to locate its Facilities within the prescribed time limits and guidelines established by the One Call Locator Service regardless of whether the City issued a permit.

Section 10. Safety Requirements.

Section 10.1 Franchisee shall, at all times, employ professional care and shall install and maintain and use industry-standard methods for preventing failures and accidents that are likely to cause damage, injuries, or nuisances to the public. All structures and all lines, equipment, and connections in, over, under, and upon the Rights-of-Ways, wherever situated or located, shall at all times be kept and maintained in a safe condition. Franchisee shall comply with all federal, State, and City safety requirements, rules, regulations, laws, and practices, and employ all necessary devices as required by

applicable law during the construction, operation, maintenance, upgrade, repair, or removal of its Facilities. Additionally, Franchisee shall keep its Facilities free of debris and anything of a dangerous, noxious or offensive nature or which would create a hazard or undue vibration, heat, noise or any interference with City services. By way of illustration and not limitation, Franchisee shall also comply with the applicable provisions of the National Electric Code, National Electrical Safety Code, FCC regulations, and Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Standards. Upon reasonable notice to Franchisee, the City reserves the general right to inspect the Facilities to evaluate if they are constructed and maintained in a safe condition.

Section 10.2 If an unsafe condition or a violation of Section 10.1 is found to exist, and becomes known to the City, the City agrees to give Franchisee written notice of such condition and afford Franchisee a reasonable opportunity to repair the same. If Franchisee fails to start to make the necessary repairs and alterations within the time frame specified in such notice (and pursue such cure to completion), then the City may make such repairs or contract for them to be made. All costs, including administrative costs, incurred by the City in repairing any unsafe conditions shall be borne by Franchisee and reimbursed to the City pursuant to Section 14.3 and Section 14.4.

<u>Section 10.3</u> Additional standards include:

- (a) All installations and maintenance of equipment, lines, and ancillary facilities shall be installed and maintained in accordance with industry-standard engineering practices and shall comply with all federal, State, and local regulations, ordinances, and laws.
- (b) Any opening or obstruction in the Rights-of-Way or other public places made by Franchisee in the course of its operations shall be protected by Franchisee at all times by the placement of adequate barriers, fences, or boarding, the bounds of which, during periods of dusk and darkness, shall be clearly marked and visible.

<u>Section 10.4</u> Stop Work Order. On notice from the City that any work is being performed contrary to the provisions of this Franchise, or in an unsafe or dangerous

manner as determined by the City, or in violation of the terms of any applicable permit, laws, regulations, ordinances, or standards, the work may immediately be stopped by the City. The stop work order shall:

- (a) Be in writing;
- (b) Be given to the person doing the work or posted on the work site;
- (c) Be sent to Franchisee by overnight delivery;
- (d) Indicate the nature of the alleged violation or unsafe condition; and
- (e) Establish conditions under which work may be resumed.

Section 11. Work of Contractors and Subcontractors. Franchisee's contractors and subcontractors shall be licensed and bonded in accordance with State law and the City's ordinances, regulations, and requirements. Work by contractors and subcontractors are subject to the same restrictions, limitations, and conditions as if the work were performed by Franchisee. Franchisee shall be responsible for all work performed by its contractors and subcontractors and others performing work on its behalf as if the work were performed by Franchisee and shall ensure that all such work is performed in compliance with this Franchise and applicable law.

Section 12. Restoration after Construction.

Section 12.1 Franchisee shall, promptly after installation, construction, relocation, maintenance, or repair of its Facilities, or after abandonment approved pursuant to Section 17, promptly remove any obstructions from the Rights-of-Way and restore the surface of the Rights-of-Way as required by the City's Public Works Standards and applicable Algona Municipal Code provisions. The Public Works Director or his/her designee shall have final approval of the condition of such Rights-of-Way after restoration. All concrete encased survey monuments that have been disturbed or displaced by such work shall be restored pursuant to federal, state (such as Chapter 332-120 WAC), and local standards and specifications.

<u>Section 12.2</u> Franchisee agrees to promptly complete all restoration work and to promptly repair any damage caused by work to the Franchise Area or other affected area

at its sole cost and expense and according to the time and terms specified in the construction permit issued by the City. All work by Franchisee pursuant to this Franchise shall be performed in accordance with applicable City standards and warranted as required by Code.

Section 12.3 If conditions (e.g. weather) make the complete restoration required under this Section 12 impracticable, Franchisee shall temporarily restore the affected Right-of-Way or property. Such temporary restoration shall be at Franchisee's sole cost and expense. Franchisee shall promptly undertake and complete the required permanent restoration when conditions no longer make such permanent restoration impracticable.

Section 12.4 In the event Franchisee does not repair or restore a Right-of-Way as required under this Section 12, the City shall provide Franchisee with written notice including a description of actions the City reasonably believes are necessary to restore the Right-of-Way. If Franchisee fails to take such action after notice is provided pursuant to this section, the City may take such action as reasonably necessary to repair or restore the Right-of-Way. Pursuant to Section 14.3 and Section 14.4, the City may bill Franchisee for expenses associated with the inspection of such restoration work. The failure by Franchisee to complete such repairs shall be considered a breach of this Franchise and is subject to remedies outlined in Code and including the imposition of damages consistent with Section 19.

<u>Section 12.5</u> The provisions of this Section 12 shall survive the expiration or termination of this Franchise so long as Franchisee continues to have Facilities in the Rights-of-Way and has not completed all restoration to the City's standards.

Section 13. Emergency Work/Dangerous Conditions.

Section 13.1 In the event of any emergency in which any of Franchisee's Facilities located in the Rights-of-Way breaks, falls, becomes damaged, or is otherwise in such a condition as to immediately endanger the property, life, health, or safety of any person, entity, or the City, Franchisee shall immediately take the proper emergency measures to repair its Facilities in order to cure or remedy the dangerous conditions for the protection

of property, life, health, or safety of any person, entity, or the City without first applying for and obtaining a permit as required by this Franchise. However, this shall not relieve Franchisee from the requirement of obtaining any permits necessary for this purpose, and Franchisee shall apply for all such permits not later than the next succeeding day during which City Hall is open for business. The City retains the right and privilege to cut, move, or remove any Facilities located within the Rights-of-Way of the City, as the City may determine to be necessary, appropriate, or useful in response to any public health or safety emergency.

Section 13.2 The City shall not be liable for any damage to or loss of Facilities within the Rights-of-Way as a result of or in connection with any public works, public improvements, construction, grading, excavation, filling, or work of any kind in the Rights-of-Way by or on behalf of the City, except to the extent directly and proximately caused by the sole negligence, intentional misconduct, or criminal actions of the City, its employees, contractors, or agents. The City shall further not be liable to Franchisee for any direct, indirect, or any other such damages suffered by any person or entity of any type as a direct or indirect result of the City's actions under this Section 13 except to the extent caused by the sole negligence, intentional misconduct, or criminal actions of the City, its employees, contractors, or agents.

Section 13.3 Whenever the construction, installation, or excavation of Facilities authorized by this Franchise has caused or contributed to a condition that appears to substantially impair the lateral support of the adjoining street or public place, or endangers the public, an adjoining public place, street, electrical or telecommunications utilities, or City property, the Public Works Director may direct Franchisee, at Franchisee's own expense, to take reasonable action to protect the public or such property, and such action may include compliance within a prescribed time. In the event that Franchisee fails or refuses to promptly take the actions directed by the City, or fails to fully comply with such directions, or if emergency conditions exist which require immediate action, before the City can timely contact Franchisee to request Franchisee effect the immediate repair, the City may access the Facilities and take such reasonable actions as are necessary to protect the public, the adjacent streets, or street utilities, or to maintain the lateral support

thereof, or reasonable actions regarded as necessary safety precautions, and Franchisee shall be liable to the City for the costs thereof.

Section 14. Recovery of Costs, Taxes, and Fees.

Section 14.1 Franchisee shall pay a fee for the actual and reasonable administrative expenses incurred by the City that are directly related to the receiving and approving this Franchise pursuant to RCW 35.21.860 and AMC 12.02.440, including the costs associated with the City's legal costs incurred in drafting and processing this Franchise. Franchisee shall further be subject to all permit fees associated with activities undertaken through the authority granted in this Franchise or under the laws of the City. Where the City incurs costs and expenses for review, inspection, or supervision of activities, including but not limited to reasonable fees associated with attorneys, consultants, City staff, and City Attorney time, undertaken through the authority granted in this Franchise or any ordinances relating to the subject for which a permit fee is not established, Franchisee shall pay such costs and expenses directly to the City in accordance with the provisions of Section 14.3.

Section 14.2 Franchisee shall promptly reimburse the City in accordance with the provisions of Section 14.3 and Section 14.4 for any and all costs the City reasonably incurs in response to any emergency situation involving Franchisee's Facilities, to the extent said emergency is not the fault of the City. The City agrees to simultaneously seek reimbursement from any franchisee or permit holder who caused or contributed to the emergency situation.

Section 14.3 Franchisee shall reimburse the City within sixty (60) days of submittal by the City of an itemized billing for reasonably incurred costs, itemized by project, for Franchisee's proportionate share of all actual, identified expenses incurred by the City in planning, constructing, installing, repairing, altering, or maintaining any City facility as the result of the presence of Franchisee's Facilities in the Rights-of-Way. Such costs and expenses shall include but not be limited to Franchisee's proportionate cost of City personnel assigned to oversee or engage in any work in the Rights-of-Way as the result of the presence of Franchisee's Facilities in the Rights-of-Way. Such costs and expenses

shall also include Franchisee's proportionate share of any time spent reviewing construction plans in order to either accomplish the relocation of Franchisee's Facilities or the routing or rerouting of any utilities so as not to interfere with Franchisee's Facilities.

Section 14.4 The time of City employees shall be charged at their respective rate of salary, including overtime if applicable, plus benefits and reasonable overhead. Any other costs will be billed proportionately on an actual cost basis. All billings will be itemized so as to specifically identify the costs and expenses for each project for which the City claims reimbursement. At the City's option, the billing may be on an annual basis, but the City shall provide the Franchisee with the City's itemization of costs, in writing, at the conclusion of each project for information purposes.

Section 14.5 Franchisee hereby warrants that its operations as authorized under this Franchise will be consistent with the services described in Section 2 above, including the provision of data transmission, internet access, voice over internet protocol and similar data services. As a result, the City will not impose a franchise fee under the terms of this Franchise, other than as described herein. The City hereby reserves its right to impose a franchise fee on Franchisee if Franchisee's operations as authorized by this Franchise change such that the statutory prohibitions of RCW 35.21.860 no longer apply or if statutory prohibitions on the imposition of such fees are removed. In either instance, the City also reserves its right to require that Franchisee obtain a separate Franchise for its change in use. Nothing contained herein shall preclude Franchisee from challenging any such new fee or separate agreement under applicable federal, state, or local laws.

Section 14.6 Franchisee acknowledges that certain of its business activities may be subject to taxation as a telephone business and that Franchisee shall pay to the City the rate applicable to such taxable services under Title 5 of the Algona Municipal Code, and consistent with state and federal law. The parties agree that if there is a dispute regarding tax payments that the process in Title 5 of the Algona Municipal Code shall control. In that event, the City may not enforce remedies under Section 19 or commence a forfeiture or revocation process pursuant to Section 20 until the dispute is finally resolved either consistent with Title 5 of the Algona Municipal Code or by judicial action

and then only if the Franchisee does not comply with such resolution. The parties agree, however, that nothing in this Franchise shall limit the City's power of taxation as may exist now or as later imposed by the City. This provision does not limit the City's power to amend the Algona Municipal Code as may be permitted by law.

Section 15. Indemnification.

Section 15.1 Franchisee releases, covenants not to bring suit against, and agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the City, its officers, employees, agents, and representatives from any and all claims, costs, judgments, awards, or liability to any person, for injury or death of any person or damage to property to the extent caused by or arising out of any acts or omissions of Franchisee, its agents, servants, officers, or employees in the performance of this Franchise and any rights granted within this Franchise. This obligation to indemnify the City shall extend to claims, costs, judgements, awards, or liability arising under the circumstances listed in AMC 12.02.340(A). This indemnification obligation shall also extend to claims that are not reduced to a suit and any claims that may be compromised, with Franchisee's prior written consent, prior to the culmination of any litigation or the institution of any litigation. Franchisee shall have sole control over the defense and any settlement of any claims indemnified under this Section. Franchisee shall consult with the City throughout the defense and/or settlement of any matter covered by this section but is not obligated to follow any recommendations made by the City. The City may, at its cost and expense, participate in the defense of any such action using counsel of its choice. If the City chooses to participate, the parties will cooperatively work together in the defense of the matter, but Franchisee retains sole control over the defense and any settlement of claims indemnified under this section.

<u>Section 15.2</u> Inspection or acceptance by the City of any work performed by Franchisee at the time of completion of construction shall not be grounds for avoidance by Franchisee of any of its obligations under this Section 15.

<u>Section 15.3</u> The City shall promptly notify Franchisee of any claim or suit and request in writing that Franchisee indemnify the City. Franchisee may choose counsel to defend the City subject to this Section 15.3. City's failure to so notify and request

indemnification shall not relieve Franchisee of any liability that Franchisee might have, except to the extent that such failure prejudices Franchisee's ability to defend such claim or suit. In the event that Franchisee refuses the tender of defense in any suit or any claim, as required pursuant to the indemnification provisions within this Franchise, and said refusal is subsequently determined by a court having jurisdiction (or such other tribunal that the parties shall agree to decide the matter), to have been a wrongful refusal on the part of Franchisee, Franchisee shall pay all of the City's reasonable costs for defense of the action, including all expert witness fees, costs, and attorney's fees, and including costs and fees incurred in recovering under this indemnification provision. If separate representation to fully protect the interests of both parties is necessary, such as a conflict of interest between the City and the counsel selected by Franchisee to represent the City, then upon the prior written approval and consent of Franchisee, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, the City shall have the right to employ separate counsel in any action or proceeding and to participate in the investigation and defense thereof, and Franchisee shall pay the reasonable fees and expenses of such separate counsel, except that Franchisee shall not be required to pay the fees and expenses of separate counsel on behalf of the City for the City to bring or pursue any counterclaims or interpleader action, equitable relief, restraining order or injunction. The City's fees and expenses shall include all out-of-pocket expenses, such as consultants and expert witness fees, and shall also include the reasonable value of any services rendered by the counsel retained by the City but shall not include outside attorneys' fees for services that are unnecessarily duplicative of services provided the City by Franchisee. Each party agrees to cooperate and to cause its employees and agents to cooperate with the other party in the defense of any such claim and the relevant records of each party shall be available to the other party with respect to any such defense.

Section 15.4 Except to the extent that damage or injury arises from the sole negligence or willful misconduct of the City, its officers, officials, employees, or agents, the obligations of Franchisee under the indemnification provisions of this Section 15 and any other indemnification provision herein shall apply regardless of whether liability for damages arising out of bodily injury to persons or damages to property were caused or

contributed to by the concurrent negligence of the City, its officers, officials, employees, or agents and the Franchisee. Notwithstanding the proceeding sentence, to the extent the provisions of RCW 4.24.115 are applicable, the parties agree that the indemnity provisions hereunder shall be deemed amended to conform to said statute and liability shall be allocated as provided therein. It is further specifically and expressly understood that the indemnification provided constitutes Franchisee's waiver of immunity under Title 51 RCW, solely for the purposes of this indemnification, relating solely to indemnity claims made by the City directly against the Franchisee for claims made against the City by Franchisee's employees. This waiver has been mutually negotiated by the parties.

Section 15.5 Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Section 155, Franchisee assumes the risk of damage to its Facilities located in the Rights-of-Way and upon Cityowned property from activities conducted by the City, its officers, agents, employees, representatives, elected and appointed officials, and contractors, except to the extent any such damage or destruction is caused by or arises from any solely negligent, willful misconduct, or criminal actions on the part of the City, its officers, agents, employees, representatives, elected or appointed officials, or contractors. In no event shall either Party be liable to the other Party for any indirect, incidental, special, consequential, exemplary, or punitive damages, including, by way of example and not limitation, lost profits, lost revenue, loss of goodwill, or loss of business opportunity in connection with its performance or failure to perform under this Franchise. Franchisee releases and waives any and all such claims against the City, its officers, agents, employees, representatives, elected or appointed officials, or contractors. Franchisee further agrees to indemnify, hold harmless, and defend the City against any third-party claims for damages, including, but not limited to, business interruption damages, lost profits, and consequential damages, brought by or under users of Franchisee's Facilities as the result of any interruption of service due to damage or destruction of Franchisee's Facilities caused by or arising out of activities conducted by the City, its officers, agents, employees, or contractors.

<u>Section 15.6</u> The provisions of this Section 15 shall survive the expiration, revocation, or termination of this Franchise.

Section 16. Insurance.

Section 16.1 Franchisee shall maintain for so long as Franchisee has Facilities in the Rights-of-Way, insurance against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property which may arise from or in connection with the acts or omissions of Franchisee. The Franchisee shall cause each and every Subcontractor to provide insurance coverage that complies with all applicable requirements of the Franchise-provided insurance as set forth herein, except the Franchisee shall have sole responsibility for determining the limits of coverage required to be obtained by Subcontractors. The Franchisee shall ensure that the City is an additional insured on each and every Subcontractor's Commercial General liability insurance policy using an endorsement as least as broad as ISO CG 20 10 10 01 for ongoing operations and CG 20 37 10 01 for completed operations. Franchisee shall maintain insurance from insurers with a current A.M. Best rating of not less than A-. Franchisee shall provide a copy of a certificate of insurance and additional insured endorsement (except for workers compensation) to the City for its inspection at the time of acceptance of this Franchise, and such insurance certificate shall evidence a policy of insurance that includes:

- (a) Automobile Liability insurance with limits of no less than \$5,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.
- (b) Commercial General Liability insurance, written on an occurrence basis with limits of no less than \$5,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage and \$5,000,000 general aggregate including personal and advertising injury, blanket contractual; premises; operations; independent contractors; products and completed operations; and broad form property damage; explosion, collapse and underground (XCU).
- (c) Pollution liability shall be in effect throughout the entire Franchise term, with a limit of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) per occurrence, and two million dollars (\$2,000,000) in the aggregate

- (d) Workers' Compensation coverage as required by the Industrial Insurance laws of the State of Washington and Employer's Liability with a limit of \$1,000,000 each accident/disease/policy limit. Evidence of qualified selfinsurance is acceptable.
- (e) Excess Umbrella liability policy with limits of no less than \$5,000,000 per occurrence and in the aggregate. Franchisee may use any combination of primary and excess to meet required total limits.

<u>Section 16.2</u> Payment of deductible or self-insured retention shall be the sole responsibility of Franchisee. Franchisee may utilize primary and umbrella liability insurance policies to satisfy the insurance policy limits required in this Section 16. Franchisee's umbrella liability insurance policy shall provide "follow form" coverage over its primary liability insurance policies or be at least as broad as such underlying policies.

Section 16.3 The required insurance policies, with the exception of Workers' Compensation, and Employer's Liability, and Pollution Liability obtained by Franchisee shall include the City, its officers, officials, employees, agents, and representatives ("Additional Insureds"), as an additional insured, with coverage at least as broad as ISO endorsement form CG 20 26, with regard to any work or operations performed under this Franchise or by or on behalf of the Franchisee. The coverage shall contain no special limitations on the scope of protection afforded to the Additional Insureds. In addition, the insurance policy shall contain a clause stating that coverage shall apply separately to each insured against whom a claim is made, or suit is brought, except with respect to the limits of the insurer's liability. Franchisee shall provide to the City upon acceptance a certificate of insurance and additional insured endorsement. Receipt by the City of any certificate showing less coverage than required is not a waiver of Franchisee's obligations to fulfill the requirements. Franchisee's required commercial general and auto liability insurance shall be primary insurance with respect to the City. Any insurance, selfinsurance, or insurance pool coverage maintained by the City shall be in excess of Franchisee's required insurance and shall not contribute with it.

Section 16.4 Upon receipt of notice from its insurer(s) Franchisee shall provide the City with thirty (30) days prior written notice of any cancellation of any insurance policy, except for non-payment, in which case a ten (10) day notice will be provided, required pursuant to this Section 16. Franchisee shall, prior to the effective date of such cancellation, obtain replacement insurance policies meeting the requirements of this Section 16. Failure to provide the insurance cancellation notice and to furnish to the City replacement insurance policies meeting the requirements of this Section 16 shall be considered a material breach of this Franchise and subject to the City's election of remedies described in Section 19 below. Notwithstanding the cure period described in Section 19.2, the City may pursue its remedies immediately upon a failure to furnish replacement insurance.

Section 16.5 Franchisee's maintenance of insurance as required by this Section 16 shall not be construed to limit the liability of Franchisee to the coverage provided by such insurance, or otherwise limit the City's recourse to any remedy available at law or equity. Further, Franchisee's maintenance of insurance policies required by this Franchise shall not be construed to excuse unfaithful performance by Franchisee. If Franchisee maintains higher insurance limits than the minimums shown above, the City shall be insured for the full available limits of Commercial General and Excess Umbrella liability maintained by the Franchisee, irrespective of whether such limits maintained by the Franchisee are greater than those required by this contract or whether any certificate of insurance furnished to the City evidences limits of liability lower than those maintained by the Franchisee.

Section 16.6 The City may review all insurance limits once every three years during the Term and may make reasonable adjustments in the limits upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice to and review by Franchisee. Franchisee shall then issue or provide a certificate of insurance to the City showing compliance with these adjustments. Upon request by the City, Franchisee shall make available for review copies of all required insurance policies, including endorsements, required in this Franchise and evidence of all contractors' coverage.

Section 16.7 As of the Effective Date of this Franchise, Franchisee is not self-insured. Should Franchisee wish to become self-insured at the levels outlined in this Franchise at a later date, Franchisee or its affiliated parent entity shall comply with the following: (i) provide the City, upon request, a copy of Franchisee's or its parent company's most recent audited financial statements, if such financial statements are not otherwise publicly available; (ii) Franchisee or its parent company is responsible for all payments within the self-insurance program; and (iii) Franchisee assumes all defense and indemnity obligations as outlined in the indemnification section of this Franchise.

Section 17. Abandonment of Franchisee's Telecommunications Network.

Section 17.1 Where any Facilities or portions of Facilities are no longer needed, and their use is to be discontinued, Franchisee shall promptly report such Facilities in writing ("Deactivated Facilities") to the Public Works Director. Deactivated Facilities, or portions thereof, shall be completely removed within ninety (90) days following written notice from the Public Works Director, or his/her designee, that such removal is required, and the site or infrastructure restored to its pre-existing condition.

Section 17.2 If Franchisee leases a structure from a landlord and such landlord later abandons the structure, Franchisee shall remove its Facilities from the abandoned structure within the timeline provided by the landlord, but no more than ninety (90) days of such notification from the landlord, at no cost to the City and shall remove the pole if so required by the landlord. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, the timelines determined by the City for relocation projects described in Section 5 above shall apply. Upon the expiration, termination, or revocation of the rights granted under this Franchise, Franchisee shall remove all of its Facilities from the Rights-of-Way within ninety (90) days of receiving written notice from the Public Works Director or his/her designee. The Facilities, in whole or in part, may not be abandoned by Franchisee without written approval by the City. Any plan for abandonment or removal of Franchisee's Facilities must be first approved by the Public Works Director or his/her designee, and all necessary permits must be obtained prior to such work. Franchisee shall restore the Rights-of-Way to at least the same condition (accounting for reasonable wear and tear) the Rights-of-

Way were in immediately prior to any such installation, construction, relocation, maintenance or repair, provided Franchisee shall not be responsible for any changes to the Rights-of-Way not caused by Franchisee or any person doing work for Franchisee. Franchisee shall be solely responsible for all costs associated with removing its Facilities.

Section 17.3 Notwithstanding Section 17.1 above, the City may permit Franchisee's Facilities to be abandoned in place in such a manner as the City may prescribe consistent with PMC 11.05.190. Upon permanent abandonment, and Franchisee's agreement to transfer ownership of the Facilities to the City, Franchisee shall submit to the City a proposal and instruments for transferring ownership to the City.

Section 17.4 In the event that Franchisee fails to remove Facilities within ninety (90) days of either the date of termination or revocation of this Franchise or the date the City issued a permit authorizing removal, whichever is later, the City may cause the Facilities to be removed. Any costs incurred by the City in removing the Facilities shall be reimbursed by Franchisee. Nothing contained within this Section 17 shall prevent the City from compelling Franchisee to remove any such Facilities through judicial action.

<u>Section 17.5</u> The provisions of this Section 17 shall survive the expiration, revocation, or termination of this Franchise and for so long as Franchisee has Facilities in Rights-of-Way.

Section 18. Bonding.

<u>Section 18.1</u> *Performance*. Franchisee shall furnish a performance financial guarantee for any work in the right-of-way as required by AMC 12.02.370 and the City's current Standards for Public Works Standards, as applicable.

<u>Section 18.2</u> Security Fund. Prior to the issuance of the Franchise, Franchisee shall establish a permanent security fund with the City by depositing the amount of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), or such other amount as deemed necessary by the Director of Public Works, with the City in cash, bond, or an unconditional letter of credit, based upon both operating history in Rights-of-Way, other ways, and City property and the cost

of removal of Franchisee's Facilities ("Security Fund"), which shall be maintained at the sole expense of the Franchisee so long as any of the Franchisee's Facilities are located within the Rights-of-Way. The Security Fund shall serve as security for the full and complete performance of this Franchise including any costs, expenses, damages, or loss the City pays or incurs, including civil penalties, because of any failure attributable to the Franchisee to comply with the codes, ordinances, rules, regulations, or permits of the City applicable to the construction, maintenance, repair, or removal of Facilities in the Rights-of-Way or upon City property. Franchisee shall replenish the Security Fund within fourteen (14) days after written notice from the City that there is a deficiency in the amount of the Security Fund.

Section 18.3 Franchisee specifically agrees that its failure to comply with the terms of this Section 18 shall constitute a material breach of this Franchise. The amount of any bond or security fund established pursuant to this Section 18 shall not be construed to limit Franchisee's liability or to limit the City's recourse to any remedy to which the City is otherwise entitled at law or in equity.

Section 19. Remedies to Enforce Compliance.

Section 19.1 The City may elect, without any prejudice to any of its other legal rights and remedies, to obtain an order from the superior court having jurisdiction compelling Franchisee to comply with the provisions of the Franchise and to recover damages and costs incurred by the City by reason of Franchisee's failure to comply. In addition to any other remedy provided herein, the City reserves the right to pursue any remedy to compel or force Franchisee and/or its successors and assigns to comply with the terms hereof, and the pursuit of any right or remedy by the City shall not prevent the City from thereafter declaring a forfeiture or revocation for breach of the conditions herein. Provided, further, that by entering into this Franchise, it is not the intention of the City or Franchisee to waive any other rights, remedies, or obligations as otherwise provided by

law equity, or otherwise, and nothing contained here shall be deemed or construed to affect any such waiver.

Section 19.2 If Franchisee shall violate, or fail to comply with any of the provisions of this Franchise, or should it fail to heed or comply with any notice given to Franchisee under the provisions of this Franchise, the City shall provide Franchisee with written notice specifying with reasonable particularity the nature of any such breach and Franchisee shall undertake all commercially reasonable efforts to cure such breach within thirty (30) days of receipt of notification. If the parties reasonably determine the breach cannot be cured within (30) thirty days, the City may specify a longer cure period, and condition the extension of time on Franchisee's submittal of a plan to cure the breach within the specified period, commencement of work within the original thirty (30) day cure period, and diligent prosecution of the work to completion. If the breach is not cured within the specified time, or Franchisee does not comply with the specified conditions, the City may, at its discretion, (1) commence revocation proceedings, pursuant to Section 21, or (2) claim damages of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) per day against the Security Fund set forth in Section 18.2, or (3) suspend the issuance of additional permits, or (4) pursue other remedies as described in Section 19.1 above.

Section 20. Forfeiture and Revocation. If Franchisee willfully violates or fails to comply with any material provisions of this Franchise beyond applicable notice and cure periods, then at the election of the Algona City Council after at least thirty (30) days written notice to Franchisee specifying the alleged violation or failure and an opportunity to cure, the City may revoke all rights conferred and this Franchise may be revoked by the City Council after a hearing held upon such notice to Franchisee. Such hearing shall be open to the public and Franchisee and other interested parties may offer written and/or oral evidence explaining or mitigating such alleged noncompliance. Within thirty (30) days after the hearing, the Algona City Council, on the basis of the record, will make the determination as to whether there is cause for revocation, whether the Franchise will be terminated, or whether lesser sanctions should otherwise be imposed. The Algona City Council may in its sole discretion fix an additional time period to cure violations. If the deficiency has not been cured at the expiration of any additional time period or if the

Algona City Council does not grant any additional period, the Algona City Council may by resolution declare the Franchise to be revoked and forfeited or impose lesser sanctions. If Franchisee appeals revocation and termination, such revocation may be held in abeyance pending judicial review by a court of competent jurisdiction, provided Franchisee is otherwise in compliance with the Franchise.

Section 21. Non-Waiver. The failure of the City to insist upon strict performance of any of the covenants and agreements of this Franchise or to exercise any option herein conferred in any one or more instances shall not be construed to be a waiver or relinquishment of any such covenants, agreements, or option or of any other covenants, agreements, or option.

Section 22. City Ordinances and Regulations. Nothing herein shall be deemed to restrict the City's ability to adopt and enforce all necessary and appropriate ordinances regulating the performance of the conditions of this Franchise, including any valid ordinance made in the exercise of its police powers in the interest of public safety and for the welfare of the public. The City shall have the authority at all times to reasonably control by appropriate regulations the location, elevation, manner of construction, and maintenance of Facilities by Franchisee, and Franchisee shall promptly conform with all such regulations, unless compliance would cause Franchisee to violate other requirements of law. In the event of a conflict between the provisions of this Franchise and any other generally applicable ordinance(s) enacted under the City's police power authority, such other ordinances(s) shall take precedence over the provisions set forth herein.

Section 23. Cost of Publication. The cost of publication of this Franchise shall be borne by Franchisee.

Section 24. Survival. All of the provisions, conditions, and requirements of Section 5, Section 6, Section 8, Section 12, Section 15, Section 17, Section 24, Section 26, and Section 37.2 of this Franchise shall be in addition to any and all other obligations and liabilities Franchisee may have to the City at common law, by statute, or by contract, and shall survive the City's Franchise to Franchisee for the use of the Franchise Area and any

renewals or extensions thereof. All of the provisions, conditions, regulations, and requirements contained in this Franchise shall further be binding upon the heirs, successors, executors, administrators, legal representatives, and assigns of Franchisee and all privileges, obligations, and liabilities of Franchisee shall inure to its heirs, successors, and assigns equally as if they were specifically mentioned where Franchisee is named herein.

Section 25. Assignment.

Section 25.1 This Franchise may not be directly or indirectly assigned, transferred, or disposed of by sale, lease, merger, consolidation, or other act of Franchisee, by operation of law or otherwise, unless prompt written notice is provided to the City within sixty (60) days following the assignment. Franchisee may freely assign this Franchise in whole or in part to a parent, subsidiary, or affiliated entity, unless there is a change of control as described in Section 25.2 below, or to an entity that acquires all or substantially all of Franchisee's assets located in the area defined by the Federal Communications Commission in which the Facilities are located, or for collateral security purposes. Franchisee shall provide prompt, written notice to the City of any such assignment. In the case of transfer or assignment as security by mortgage or other security instrument in whole or in part to secure indebtedness, such notice shall not be required unless and until the secured party elects to realize upon the collateral. For purposes of this Section 25, no assignment or transfer of this Franchise shall be deemed to occur based on the public trading of Franchisee's stock; provided, however, any tender offer, merger, or similar transaction resulting in a change of control shall be subject to the provisions of this Franchise.

Section 25.2 Any transactions which singularly or collectively result in a change of 50% or more of the (i) ownership or working control (for example, management of Franchisee or its Telecommunications facilities) of the Franchisee; or (ii) ownership or working control of the Franchisee's Telecommunications facilities within the City; or (iii) control of the capacity or bandwidth of the Franchisee's Telecommunication facilities within the City, shall be considered an assignment or transfer requiring notice to the City

pursuant to this Franchise. Such transactions between affiliated entities are not exempt from notice requirements. A Franchisee shall notify the City of any proposed change in, or transfer of, or acquisition by any other party of control of a Franchisee within sixty (60) days following the closing of the transaction. In the event such a transfer, assignment, or disposal of franchisee's ownership is approved by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission ("WUTC"), the City will be deemed to have consented to such transfer. Grantee will provide City with a copy of any such approval.

Section 25.3 Franchisee may, without prior consent from the City: (i) lease the Facilities, or any portion, to another person; (ii) grant an indefeasible right of user interest in the Facilities, or any portion, to another person; or (iii) offer to provide capacity or bandwidth in its Facilities to another person, provided further, that Franchisee shall at all times retain exclusive control over its Facilities and remain fully responsible for compliance with the terms of this Franchise, and Franchisee shall furnish, upon request from the City, proof of any such lease or agreement, provided that Franchisee may redact the name, street address (except for City and zip code), Social Security Numbers, Employer Identification Numbers or similar identifying information, and other information considered confidential under applicable laws provided in such lease or agreement, and the lessee complies, to the extent applicable, with the requirements of this Franchise and applicable City codes. Franchisee's obligation to remain fully responsible for compliance with the terms under this Section 25.3 shall survive the expiration of this Franchise but only if and to the extent and for so long as Franchisee is still the owner or has exclusive control over the Facilities used by a third party.

Section 26. Extension. If this Franchise expires without renewal or is otherwise lawfully terminated or revoked, the City may, subject to applicable law:

- (a) Allow Franchisee to maintain and operate its Facilities on a month-to-month basis, provided that Franchisee maintains insurance for such Facilities during such period and continues to comply with this Franchise; or
- (b) The City may order the removal of any and all Facilities at Franchisee's sole cost and expense consistent with Section 17.

Section 27. Entire Agreement. This Franchise constitutes the entire understanding and

agreement between the parties as to the subject matter herein and no other agreements

or understandings, written or otherwise, shall be binding upon the parties upon execution

of this Franchise.

Section 28. Eminent Domain. The existence of this Franchise shall not preclude the

City from acquiring by condemnation in accordance with applicable law, all or a portion of

the Franchisee's Facilities for the fair market value thereof. In determining the value of

such Facilities, no value shall be attributed to the right to occupy the area conferred by

this Franchise.

Section 29. Vacation. If at any time the City, by ordinance, vacates all or any portion of

the area affected by this Franchise, the City shall not be liable for any damages or loss to

the Franchisee by reason of such vacation. The City shall notify the Franchisee in writing

not less than ninety (90) days before vacating all or any portion of any such area. The

City may, after ninety (90) days written notice to the Franchisee, terminate this Franchise

with respect to such vacated area.

Section 30. Notice. Any notice required or permitted under this Franchise shall be in

writing, and shall be delivered personally, delivered by a nationally recognized overnight

courier, or sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the other party

at the address listed below. If such notice, demand or other communication shall be

served personally, service shall be conclusively deemed made at the time of such

personal service. If such notice, demand or other communication is given by overnight

delivery, it shall be conclusively deemed given the day after it was sent to the party to

whom such notice, demand or other communication is to be given. If such notice, demand

or other communication is given by mail, it shall be conclusively deemed given three (3)

days after it was deposited in the United States mail addressed to the party to whom such

notice, demand or other communication is to be given.

CITY OF ALGONA

Public Works Director

Franchisee: Ziply Fiber Pacific, LLC

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200 Washington Blvd Algona, WA 98001 info@algonawa.gov Attn: Legal Department 135 Lake Street South, Suite 155 Kirkland, WA 98033 legal@ziply.com.

Section 31. Severability. If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Franchise is or should be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Franchise unless such invalidity or unconstitutionality materially alters the rights, privileges, duties, or obligations hereunder, in which event either party may request renegotiation of those remaining terms of this Franchise materially affected by such court ruling.

Section 32. Compliance with All Applicable Laws. Franchisee agrees to comply with all present and future federal and state laws, ordinances, rules and regulations. Nothing herein shall be deemed to restrict the City's ability to adopt and enforce all necessary and appropriate ordinances regulating the performance of the conditions of this Franchise, including any valid ordinance made in the exercise of its police powers in the interest of public safety and for the welfare of the public. The City shall have the authority at all times to reasonably control by appropriate regulations the location, elevation, manner of construction and maintenance of Facilities by Franchisee, and Franchisee shall promptly conform with all such regulations, unless compliance would cause Franchisee to violate other requirements of law. Franchisee shall not be required to comply with any new ordinances to the extent that they impact existing Facilities authorized by the City in accordance to the ordinance appliable at the time of the Facilities' construction.

Section 33. Amendment. The City reserves the right at any time to amend this Franchise to conform to any hereafter enacted, amended, or adopted federal or state statute or regulation relating to the public health, safety, and welfare; or relating to roadway regulation or relating to a City ordinance enacted pursuant to such federal or

state statute or regulation; provided that the City provide Franchisee with ninety (90) days prior written notice of its action setting forth the full text of the amendment and identifying the statute, regulation, or ordinance requiring the amendment. Said amendment shall become automatically effective upon expiration of the notice period unless, before expiration of that period, Franchisee makes a written request for negotiations over the terms of the amendment. If the parties do not reach agreement as to the terms of the amendment within ninety (90) days of the call for negotiations, the parties shall submit the issue to non-binding mediation. If such mediation is unsuccessful, the parties may then submit the issue to a court of competent jurisdiction.

Section 34. Attorney Fees. If a suit or other action is instituted in connection with any controversy arising out of this Franchise, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover all of its costs, expenses, and attorney fees as the court finds reasonable, including those upon appeal of any judgment or ruling.

Section 35. Hazardous Substances. Franchisee shall not introduce or use any hazardous substances (chemical or waste) in violation of any applicable law or regulation, and Franchisee shall not allow any of its agents, contractors, or any person under its control to do the same. Franchisee will be solely responsible for and will defend, indemnify, and hold the City and its officers, officials, employees, agents, and representatives harmless from and against any and all claims, costs, and liabilities, including reasonable attorney fees and costs, arising out of or in connection with the cleanup or restoration of the property associated with Franchisee's use, storage, or disposal of hazardous substances, whether or not intentional, and/or with the use, storage or disposal of such substances by Franchisee's agents, contractors, or other persons acting under Franchisee's control, whether or not intentional.

Section 36. Licenses, Fees, and Taxes. Prior to constructing any improvements, Franchisee shall obtain a business or utility license from the City. Franchisee shall pay promptly, and before they become delinquent, all taxes on personal property and improvements owned or placed by Franchisee and shall pay all license fees and public utility charges relating to the conduct of its business, shall pay for all permits, licenses,

and zoning approvals, shall pay any other applicable tax unless documentation of exemption is provided to the City, and shall pay utility taxes and license fees imposed by the City.

Section 37. Miscellaneous.

<u>Section 37.1</u> City and Franchisee respectively represent that its signatory is duly authorized and has full right, power, and authority to execute this Franchise.

Section 37.2 This Franchise shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Washington. Venue for any dispute related to this Franchise shall be the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington or King County Superior Court.

<u>Section 37.3</u> The section captions and headings herein are intended solely to facilitate the reading thereof. Such captions and headings shall not affect the meaning or interpretation of the text herein.

<u>Section 37.4</u> Where the context so requires, the singular shall include the plural and the plural includes the singular.

<u>Section 37.5</u> Franchisee shall be responsible for obtaining all other necessary approvals, authorizations, and agreements from any party or entity and it is acknowledged and agreed that the City is making no representation, warranty, or covenant whether any of the foregoing approvals, authorizations, or agreements are required or have been obtained by Franchisee by any person or entity.

<u>Section 37.6</u> This Franchise may be enforced at both law and equity.

Section 37.7 Franchisee acknowledges that it, and not the City, shall be responsible for the premises and equipment's compliance with all marking and lighting requirements of the FAA and the FCC. Franchisee shall indemnify and hold the City harmless from any fines or other liabilities caused by Franchisee's failure to comply with such requirements. Should Franchisee or the City be cited by either the FCC or the FAA

because the Facilities or the Franchisee's equipment is not in compliance and should Franchisee fail to cure the conditions of noncompliance within the timeframe allowed by the citing agency, the City may either terminate this Franchise immediately on notice to the Franchisee or proceed to cure the conditions of noncompliance at the Franchisee's expense.

Section 37.8 Neither party shall be required to perform any covenant or obligation in this Franchise, or be liable in damages to the other party, so long as the performance of the covenant or obligation is delayed, caused or prevented by a Force Majeure Event. A "Force Majeure Event" is defined for purposes of this Franchise as strikes, lockouts, sitdown strike, unusual transportation delays, riots, floods, washouts, explosions, earthquakes, fire, storms, weather (including inclement weather which prevents construction), acts of the public enemy, wars, terrorism, insurrections, and any other similar act of God event.

Section 38. Acceptance. The rights and privileges granted pursuant to this Franchise shall not become effective until its terms and conditions are accepted by Franchisee. Acceptance shall be accomplished by Franchisee's submission of a written instrument in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, executed and sworn to by a corporate officer of the Franchisee before a Notary Public. Acceptance must be filed with the City within thirty (30) days after the effective date of this Ordinance. At the time that acceptance is submitted, Franchisee shall also submit necessary insurance documentation pursuant to Section 16; any Performance Bond, if applicable, pursuant to Section 18; and the Franchise Bond required pursuant to Section 18.2. The administrative fees owing pursuant to Section 14.1 are due within thirty (30) days of receipt of invoice from the City.

APPROVED:	
TROY LINNELL, MAYO	

ATTEST/AUTHENTICATED:
DANA PARKER, CITY CLERK
APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Zach Lell, CITY ATTORNEY

FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK:
PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL:
PUBLISHED:
EFFECTIVE DATE:
ORDINANCE NO.:

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. ____

City of Algona, Washington

On the day of, 202, the City Council of the City of Algorassed Ordinance No A summary of the content of said Ordinance, consist of the title, is provided as follows:	
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ALGONA, WASHINGTON, GRANTING TO ZIPLY FIBER PACIFIC, LLC DBA ZIPLY FIBER AND ITS AFFILIATES, SUCCESSORS, AND ASSIGNS THE RIGHT, PRIVILEGE, AUTHORITY, AND NONEXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE FOR FIVE YEARS TO CONSTRUCT, MAINTAIN, OPERATE, REPLACE, AND REPAIR A TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK IN, ACROSS, OVER, ALONG, UNDER, THROUGH, AND BELOW THE PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY OF THE CITY OF ALGONA, WASHINGTON.	
The full text of this Ordinance will be mailed upon request.	
DANA PARKER, CITY CLERK	
FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK: PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL: PUBLISHED: EFFECTIVE DATE: ORDINANCE NO.:	

EXHIBIT A

STATEMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

Ziply Fiber Pacific, LLC dba Ziply Fiber, for itself and its successors, affiliates and assigns, hereby accepts and agrees to be bound by all lawful terms, conditions, and provisions of the Franchise attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

Ziply Fiber Pacific, LLC		
Ву:	Date:	_
Name:	<u> </u>	
Title: Associate General Cour	ınsel	
STATE OFCOUNTY OF)	
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