

MEMORANDUM

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TO: Alicia Hughes-Skandijs, Chair of the Assembly LHED Committee
FROM: Dan Bleidorn, Lands and Resources Manager *Daniel Bleidorn*
SUBJECT: General Communications Inc. Lease renewal for Thane Earth Station Site
DATE: January 17, 2023

Since 1983, the City has leased a portion of the property identified as a fraction of Alaska Tideland Survey 556, Tract A to General Communications Inc. (GCI). This property is located on the southeast corner of the rock dump at 1580 Thane Road. The last renewal of this lease was authorized in 2018 and expires in February, 2023. GCI is interested in continuing to lease this property from the City and has requested a new lease.



The 1983 lease states that the purpose was to "construct and operate an earth station to provide satellite communication services between Juneau and other locations including one or more satellite antennas mounted on concrete foundations, equipment building containing radio transmitting and receiving equipment, microwave radio equipment, stand-by power generator and ancillary facilities." If this Committee supports this request,

fair market value will be determined by appraisal and the Assembly will authorize terms and conditions by ordinance.

Staff requests that the LHED Committee forward a motion of support to the Assembly for adoption of an ordinance to authorize a new lease to General Communications Inc. for the Thane Earth Station site.