

# CITY OF LYNDEN

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



<b>Meeting Date:</b>	January 6, 2019	
<b>Name of Agenda Item:</b>	Ordinance No. 1599 Public Hearing for Comcast Franchise Agreement	
<b>Section of Agenda:</b>	Public Hearing	
<b>Department:</b>	Public Works	
<b>Council Committee Review:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Development <input type="checkbox"/> Finance <input type="checkbox"/> Parks	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Works <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
	<b>Legal Review:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes - Reviewed <input type="checkbox"/> No - Not Reviewed <input type="checkbox"/> Review Not Required	
<b>Attachments:</b>		
Comcast Franchise Agreement Ordinance No. 1599		
<b>Summary Statement:</b>		
<p>The City's Franchise Agreement with Comcast Cable Communications Management LLC must be updated. The last agreement adopted by Ordinance 1165 in 2003 expired in 2013. The franchise fee remains at 5% per federal law (47 U.S.C. 542(a) and (b)).</p> <p>Staff and the City Attorney worked with Comcast on the terms of this agreement.</p> <p>Per RCW 35A.47.040, No granting of any franchise in a code city for any purpose shall be adopted or passed by the city's legislative body on the day of its introduction nor for five days thereafter....therefore this ordinance is being introduced tonight and Council is asked to set a Public Hearing date of January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020 for final approval.</p> <p>At their December 16<sup>th</sup> meeting, City Council concurred to set a public hearing date of January 6, 2019 to hear comments on the City's Comcast Franchise Agreement. Upon hearing comments the Council may reject the Plan or approve the Plan through Ordinance No. 1599.</p>		
<b>Recommended Action:</b>		
That City Council approve the City's Franchise Agreement with Comcast through Ordinance No. 1599; and authorize the Mayor's signature on the document.		