

# CITY OF TUALATIN Staff Report

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

THROUGH: Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

FROM: Nic Westendorf, Management Analyst II

**DATE:** January 13, 2020

#### SUBJECT:

AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE PORTLAND GENERAL ELECTRIC FRANCHISE TO A DATE CERTAIN OF JUNE 30, 2020; MAKING RETROACTIVE APPLICATION OF THE ORDINANCE; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Approval of Ordinance 1431-20 extending the Portland General Electric Franchise to a date certain of June 30, 2020, retroactive as of Janaury 1, 2020.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

The current Franchise Agreement with Portland General Electric (PGE) ended on December 31, 2019. City staff are working with PGE to negotiate a short-form franchise agreement but were not able to agree on all terms and conditions before the termination of the existing agreement.

To protect both parties staff recommends extending the current Franchise Agreement until June 30, 2020, retroactive as of January 1, 2020. This will provide time for staff to complete an extension to bring before Council for consideration sometime before the extension expires.

## **OUTCOMES OF DECISION:**

The current Franchise Agreement, Ordinance No. 1295-09, will be extended to June 30, 2020. Staff will work with PGE on a revised short-form franchise agreement for the Council to consider prior to the expiration of the extension.

#### ALTERNATIVES TO RECOMMENDATION:

Do not extend the current PGE Franchise Agreement to June 30, 2020. This would result in the Right of Way Ordinance governing all work done by PGE until a new Franchise Agreement is approved. This is not recommended by staff as it would result in unnecessary, short-term changes to PGE's work within the City.

## FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

None. This is an extension of the current agreement and no changes to fees or revenue are proposed.

Any potential changes would occur once the new Franchise Agreement is entered into this summer.

## **ATTACHMENTS:**

- Ordinance 1431-20