

TO: Public Works Committee
FROM: Jennifer Radcliff, GIS Program Manager
DATE: June 5, 2025
SUBJECT: Ordinance No. O2025-002 Renewing Puget Sound Energy Franchise Agreement

1) Recommended Action:

Place Ordinance No. O2025-002 Renewing Puget Sound Energy (PSE) Franchise Agreement on the July 1, 2025, City Council consideration calendar for first reading.

2) Background:

On September 15, 2015, City Council adopted Ordinance No. O2015-006 and entered into a franchise agreement with Puget Sound Energy (PSE) which is effective for ten years, with the option to renew for two five-year terms upon written request. Ordinance No. O2015-006 replaced separate franchise agreements that the City previously held with PSE's predecessors Puget Sound Power & Light Company and Washington Natural Gas for the provision of electrical and natural gas services within the City. PSE has made a written request to renew and extend the agreement for five years.

3) Policy Support:

Be a leader in environmental health and sustainability; Provide and sustain quality public safety services; and Refine and sustain a great organization.

4) Alternatives:

- ☐ Do not authorize the franchise renewal.
 - ☐ Modify the franchise renewal.
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5) Fiscal Notes:

N/A – there are no fiscal impacts as a direct result of this franchise renewal and extension.

6) Attachments:

A. Ordinance No. O2025-002