ORDINANCE No. 186887

Extend term of OnFiber Communications, Inc., franchise to use designated City streets to provide telecommunications services (Ordinance; amend Ordinance No. 175793)

The City of Portland ordains:

Section 1. The Council finds:

- 1. On July 18, 2001, the City of Portland granted a franchise to Portland General Distribution LLC, doing business as Portland General Broadband ("Portland General Broadband"), to construct, operate, and maintain a telecommunications system with all necessary facilities, in the city's streets for a period of ten years. Ordinance No. 175793, passed July 18, 2001, effective September 16, 2001.
- 2. OnFiber Communications, Inc. became a successor to Portland General Broadband and filed an acceptance of the franchise grant with the City of Portland in 2004.
- 3. The Council has extended the term of the franchise at various times. Most recently, on December 5, 2012, the Council adopted Ordinance No. 185774, extended the OnFiber franchise, continuously and without interruption, through February 14, 2015.
- 4. On October 26, 2011, the City Council adopted non-emergency Ordinance No. 184957, amending Title 17 of the Portland City Code. Among other matters, the ordinance updated, clarified and reorganized various code sections. The City is implementing various aspects of the revised code provisions, and City staff has begun negotiating a renewal agreement, including revised standardized franchise language to address the code amendments. Although franchise negotiations for a renewal agreement are in progress, parties have not agreed on all terms. City staff recommends that the City Council extend the existing franchise to allow time for parties to complete negotiations for a new agreement and to formally complete the formal Portland City Charter procedure for proposed franchises, which can take up to four months or more from the date of the required initial publication.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Council directs:

- a. Ordinance No. 175793 is amended to extend the term of the franchise continuously and without interruption, through February 14, 2017.
- b. All other terms and conditions of the franchise shall remain the same and unchanged.

c. On or before thirty (30) days after this ordinance becomes effective, OnFiber Communications, Inc. shall file in the Office of the Auditor of the City of Portland a written acceptance of this ordinance, executed by a duly authorized officer of OnFiber Communications, Inc., meeting the approval of the City Attorney. Any failure on the part of OnFiber Communications, Inc. to file such written acceptance within such time shall be deemed an abandonment and rejection of this ordinance, and this ordinance shall thereupon be null and void. Such acceptance shall be unqualified and shall be construed to be an acceptance of all the terms contained in this ordinance.

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Passed by the Council:

LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland

By:

Mayor Charlie Hales

Prepared by: MRiddick/BEWalters

September 22, 2014

Deputy

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BUREAU APPROVAL Bureau: Revenue & Financial Services OMF CAO: Fred Miller Bureau Head: Thomas W. Lannom Prepared by: Melvin Riddick Date Prepared: October 13, 2014	NOV 0 5 2014 PASSED TO SECOND READING NOV 1 2 2014 9:30 A.M.
Financial Impact & Public Involvement Statement Completed Amends Budget Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated	
in document. Yes No City Auditor Office Approval: required for Code Ordinances	
City Attorney Approval; required for contract, code leasement, franchise comp plan, charter Council Meeting Date November 5, 2014	

AGENDA		
TIME CERTAIN Start time:		
Total amount of time needed:(for presentation, testimony and discussion)		
<u>CONSENT</u> ⊠		
REGULAR Total amount of time needed: (for presentation, testimony and discussion)		

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
		YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz		
2. Fish	2. Fish		,
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman		
4. Novick	4. Novick	-	
Hales	Hales	/	