

ORDINANCE NO. O-4909

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF KIRKLAND RELATING TO AN INCREASE IN THE PUBLIC, EDUCATIONAL, AND GOVERNMENTAL FEE AUTHORIZED IN THE COMCAST CABLE FRANCHISE, ORDINANCE O-4822, AND THE ZIPLY CABLE FRANCHISE, ORDINANCE O-4140.

1 WHEREAS, the City's cable franchise with Comcast Cable Communications, LLC
2 authorizes the City to collect a Public, Educational, and Governmental (PEG) fee of \$0.25
3 per subscriber per month and further authorizes the City to increase that fee to a maximum
4 of \$0.50, but not higher than is collected by Ziplly; and
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6 WHEREAS, the City's cable franchise with Northwest Fiber LLC (doing business
7 as Ziplly Fiber) authorizes the City to collect a PEG fee of \$0.25 per subscriber per month
8 and further authorizes the City to increase that fee to a maximum of \$1.00, but not higher
9 than is collected by Comcast; and
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11 WHEREAS, the revenue the City has received from PEG fees has steadily
12 decreased over the past ten years as a result of fewer Kirkland area community members
13 subscribing to cable services; and
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15 WHEREAS, revenue from PEG fees is used for minor equipment replacements of
16 the City's broadcast system, to enhance the system's redundancy and resiliency, and to
17 support a major broadcast system overhaul planned for 2026; and
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19 WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the community's best
20 interest to raise the PEG fee in order to continue supporting the City's broadcast system.
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22 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Kirkland do ordain as follows:
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24 Section 1. The PEG fee to be assessed under the Comcast Cable Franchise,
25 Ordinance O-4822, shall be increased from \$0.25 per subscriber per month to \$0.50 per
26 subscriber per month.
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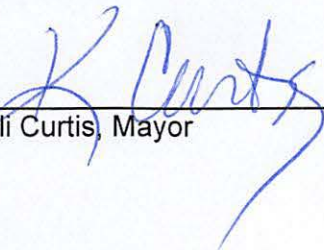
28 Section 2. The PEG fee to be assessed under the Ziplly Cable Franchise,
29 Ordinance O-4140, shall be increased from \$0.25 per subscriber per month to \$0.50 per
30 subscriber per month.
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32 Section 3. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or
33 circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance or the application of the
34 provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.
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36 Section 4. This ordinance shall be in force and effect five days from and after its
37 passage by the Kirkland City Council and publication, as required by law. The fees
38 established in Sections 1 and 2 will be effective beginning October 1, 2025.
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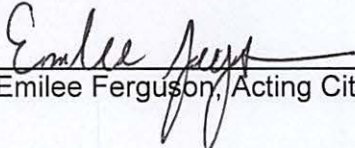
40 Passed by majority vote of the Kirkland City Council in open meeting this 1st day
41 of July, 2025.

42 Signed in authentication thereof this 1st day of July, 2025.



Kelli Curtis, Mayor

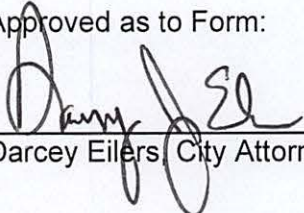
Attest:



Emilee Ferguson, Acting City Clerk

Approved as to Form:

Publication Date: July 7, 2025



Darcey Eilers, City Attorney