ORDINANCE NO. 148

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, EXTENDING THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT BETWEEN SHORELINE AND EDMONDS CABLE COMPANY (D.B.A. CHAMBERS CABLE OF EDMONDS)

WHEREAS, Chambers Cable of Edmonds ("Chambers") previously held a franchise issued by King County, Washington to make use of streets and rights-of-way for the purposes of construction, operation, maintenance and reconstruction of a Cable Communication System in the King County ("County") granted by Ordinance No. 563 (the "Franchise"), on September 6, 1966; and

WHEREAS, on January 22, 1996 the Shoreline City Council passed Ordinance No. 66 granting Chambers a franchise for the period of two years under the same terms and conditions as the prior County franchise; and

WHEREAS, the City and Chambers are currently in the final stages of negotiations regarding a new franchise agreement; and

WHEREAS, Chambers’ Franchise is scheduled to expire before these negotiations can be concluded; and

WHEREAS, Chambers and the City wish to continue the franchise relationship on the same terms and conditions as provided in the current Franchise until a new franchise is completed; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest to extend the current Franchise agreement for an additional period of time in order to avoid a lapse Chambers’ authority to operate in the City even for a short period of time,

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHORELINE, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Franchise of Chambers Cable of Edmonds granted by Shoreline City Ordinance No. 66 is extended through and until negotiation and adoption by the City of Shoreline of a new franchise between the City of Shoreline and Chambers, or for four months from the date of this Extension Ordinance, whichever first occurs.

Section 2. Federal Law. The negotiation of a franchise between the City of Shoreline and Chambers is to be treated as a franchise renewal as provided for in Title 47 of the United States Code, Section 546 and both the City of Shoreline and Chambers have all rights and obligations set forth in that section.
Section 3. Directions to City Clerk. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to forward certified copies of this ordinance to the franchisee set forth in this ordinance. The Franchisee shall have 30 days from receipt of the certified copy of this ordinance to accept in writing the terms of the franchise granted to the franchisee in this ordinance.

Section 4. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force five (5) days after the date of publication. The City Clerk is hereby directed to publish this ordinance in full.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON JANUARY 15, 1998.

Linda Montgomery, Deputy Mayor

ATTEST:

Sharon Mattioli, CMC
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Bruce L. Disend
City Attorney

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