

CITY OF HAM LAKE
ORDINANCE NO. 25-03

FRANCHISE EXTENSION AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, effective upon passage and acceptance, between the City of Ham Lake, Minnesota (the “City”), and Comcast of Minnesota, Inc., a Minnesota corporation (“Comcast”).

WHEREAS, the City granted Comcast a non-exclusive franchise to construct, operate and maintain a cable television system through a cable television franchise ordinance accepted and agreed upon by Comcast (the “Franchise”);

WHEREAS, the City, is a member of the North Metro Telecommunications Commission (the “Commission”);

WHEREAS, Comcast and the Commission are parties to (1) a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) dated January 29, 1996; (2) the 1997 Resolution Transferring Community Television Programming Responsibilities from Group W of the North Central Suburbs, d/b/a Meredith Cable to the North Central; and (3) the Franchise Settlement Agreement dated December 17, 2014 (collectively the “Agreements”);

WHEREAS, the term of the Franchise expired on or about December 31, 2020, and Comcast continued to operate under the terms and conditions of the Franchise; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to extend the current Franchise and Agreements.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF HAM LAKE ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Section 2.4 of the Franchise is hereby amended by extending the term of such Franchise through and including June 30, 2030. The Parties do not waive any rights under Section 626 of the Federal Cable Act and agree that Grantee shall not be required to file an additional Section 626 Letter to preserve its rights to formal proceedings under the Franchise.

Section 2. Except as specifically modified hereby, the Franchise shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 3. Neither party waives any rights under law as a result of agreeing to this Franchise extension.

Section 4. The Agreements shall remain effective so long as Comcast, including any successors or assigns, continues to operate under the Franchise, including as it may be extended pending the completion of the renewal process. Neither the Commission nor Comcast may terminate the Agreements prior to renewal.

Presented to the Ham Lake City Council on January 21, 2025 and adopted by a unanimous vote on this 3rd day of February, 2025.

CITY OF HAM LAKE

Mayor

ATTEST

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM

City Attorney

ACCEPTANCE BY COMCAST

Comcast agrees to the terms and conditions of this Ordinance and Franchise Extension Agreement.

COMCAST OF MINNESOTA, INC.

Kalyn Hove

Title: Regional Senior Vice President, Comcast Midwest Region

Date: _____

ACCEPTANCE BY NORTH METRO TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

NORTH METRO TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Commission Chair

Date: _____