

**SUMMARY and FISCAL NOTE**

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**1. BILL SUMMARY**

**Legislation Title:** AN ORDINANCE relating to the City Light Department; authorizing the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer to enter into a lease agreement with the Washington State Department of Natural Resources for use of the Gold Mountain communications facility in Kitsap County, Washington; and ratifying and confirming certain prior acts.

**Summary and background of the Legislation:** The Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) maintains a communications facility, consisting of an equipment building and antenna farm, on Gold Mountain in Kitsap County, Washington. Seattle City Light has leased space in the equipment building and on one antenna at the Gold Mountain site, for radio repeater equipment, as authorized by Ordinance 115471, since 1990.

City Light's radio repeater equipment operated at the Gold Mountain site is essential for maintaining radio communications between power generation operations at the Skagit Hydroelectric Project and the Power Control Center in Seattle, and with City Light field crews. If the Gold Mountain radio repeater site was not available, this communications capacity would need to be provided from some other location, difficult and costly to obtain.

The City's original lease for the Gold Mountain communications site has expired, and the DNR has offered the City a new lease through December 31, 2019. The legislation will authorize City Light to enter the new lease.

**2. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

N/A This legislation creates, funds, or amends a CIP Project.

**3. SUMMARY OF FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

X This legislation does not have direct financial implications.

**4. OTHER IMPLICATIONS**

- a) Does the legislation have indirect or long-term financial impacts to the City of Seattle that are not reflected in the above?

This lease requires payment of annual rent, road use, and power service fees, in the initial amount of \$19,897 per year, subject to adjustments for inflation at five-year intervals.

**b) Is there financial cost or other impacts of not implementing the legislation?**

Yes. If this site was not available, City Light would need to build or lease another radio repeater facility (or facilities) in other locations to support its radio communications needs; replacement facilities would be difficult and costly to obtain.

**c) Does this legislation affect any departments besides the originating department?**

No.

**d) Is a public hearing required for this legislation?**

No.

**e) Does this legislation require landlords or sellers of real property to provide information regarding the property to a buyer or tenant?**

No.

**f) Is publication of notice with *The Daily Journal of Commerce* and/or *The Seattle Times* required for this legislation?**

No.

**g) Does this legislation affect a piece of property?**

Yes. A map showing road access to Gold Mountain Communications Site is provided as Exhibit E to Attachment 1 to the proposed ordinance.

**h) Please describe any perceived implication for the principles of the Race and Social Justice Initiative. Does this legislation impact vulnerable or historically disadvantaged communities?**

None.

**i) If this legislation includes a new initiative or a major programmatic expansion: What are the long-term and measurable goals of the program? Please describe how this legislation would help achieve the program's desired goals.**

N/A

**j) Other Issues:**

None.

**List attachments/exhibits below:**

None.