INTRODUCED BY KENT PULLEN
PROPOBED No. 94-549

ORDINANCE NO. 11453

AN ORDINANCE relating to cable communications, granting the extension of cable television franchises to TCI of Auburn, Inc., TCI of Seattle, Inc., TCI Cablevision of Southwest Washington, Inc., and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Findings of Fact: A. TCI of Auburn, Inc., TCI of Seattle, Inc., and TCI Cablevision of Southwest Washington, Inc., (TCI), currently hold cable television franchises granted by King County to provide cable television service in the county. These franchises will expire on September 1, 1994.

- B. Adoption of this ordinance on an emergency basis will ensure that the franchises are extended prior to the expiration of the current franchises and will thereby preserve the legal status, rights and responsibilities of the county and TCI.
- C. The county and TCI are in the middle of a formal franchise renewal process; TCI has submitted to the county a franchise renewal proposal, the executive has made a preliminary decision to not renew the franchises, and TCI has appealed this decision to the King County hearing examiner.
- D. TCI has also requested that its franchises be extended until either the hearing examiner issues a decision or the county renews the franchises.
- E. The county wants to extend these franchise to facilitate an orderly review of franchise renewals.
- F. The council has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of King County to grant the franchise extensions listed below.

SECTION 2. The council hereby grants TCI of Auburn, Inc. an extension of franchise numbers 565a, 591, and 1209 until the earlier of sixty (60) days after the King County hearing examiner's written decision on TCI of Auburn, Inc.'s renewal proposal or King County's renewal of these franchises.

SECTION 3. The council hereby grants TCI of Seattle, Inc. an extension of franchise numbers 547, 551, 552, 553, 562, 599, and 609 until the earlier of sixty (60) days after the King County hearing examiner's written decision on TCI of Seattle, Inc.'s renewal proposal or King County's renewal of these franchises.

SECTION 4. The council hereby grants TCI Cablevision of Southwest Washington, Inc. an extension of franchise number 565 until the earlier of sixty (60) days after the King County hearing examiner's written decision on TCI Cablevision of Southwest Washington, Inc.'s renewal proposal or King County's renewal of these franchises.

SECTION 5. These extensions are granted subject to the condition that if within thirty (30) days of the council's passage of this ordinance a franchisee fails to sign a franchise extension agreement in substantially the form contained in Exhibit A, which agreements are attached to and a part of this ordinance, the franchise extension for that company shall be deemed to be denied and any extension granted to that company by this ordinance shall be null and void.

The county council finds as a fact and declares that an emergency exists and that this ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health or safety or for the support of county government and its existing public institutions. INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 29th PASSED this 29th day of augus KING COUNTY COUNCIL KING COUNTY WASHINGTON Passed by a vote of 12-0. ATTEST: day of Sop September Attachments: Three Franchise Extension Agreements

FRANCHISE EXTENSION AGREEMENT

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WHEREAS, TCI of Auburn, Inc. currently holds franchise numbers 565a, 591, and 1209 granted by King County, Washington for the operation of a portion of its cable television system in unincorporated King County; and

WHEREAS, these franchises are scheduled to expire on September 1, 1994; and

WHEREAS, TCI of Auburn, Inc. has requested that franchise numbers 565a, 591, and 1209 be extended; and

WHEREAS, through the passage of Ordinance No. //45 subject to the conditions contained in the ordinance and this agreement, King County has approved the extension of these franchises until the earlier of sixty (60) days after the King County hearing examiner's written decision on TCI of Auburn, Inc.'s renewal proposal or King County's renewal of these franchises.

NOW, THEREFORE, King County, Washington and TCI of Auburn, Inc. agree as follows:

- 1. The term of King County cable television franchise numbers 565a, 591, and 1209 are hereby extended so that they will now expire on the earlier of sixty (60) days after the King County hearing examiner's written decision on TCI of Auburn, Inc.'s renewal proposal or King County's renewal of these franchises.
- 2. All other conditions of King County cable television franchise numbers 565a, 591, and 1209 shall remain in full force and effect are not modified by this agreement or by Ordinance No. _//53____.

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TCI OF AUBURN, INC.	KING COUNTY, WASHING	TON
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Approved as to Form:		

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