



**COUNCIL ORDINANCE NO. 20627**

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ORDINANCE NO. 20170 AND ORDINANCE NO. 20620  
GRANTING TO NORTHWEST NATURAL GAS  
COMPANY, A CORPORATION, A NON-EXCLUSIVE  
RIGHT AND FRANCHISE TO LAY, MAINTAIN AND  
OPERATE FACILITIES IN THE PUBLIC WAY WITHIN  
THE CITY OF EUGENE, OREGON; AND PROVIDING  
FOR THE PAYMENT OF COMPENSATION TO THE  
CITY.**

**ADOPTED: April 8, 2020**

**SIGNED: April 10, 2020**

**PASSED: 8:0**

**REJECTED:**

**OPPOSED:**

**EFFECTIVE: May 11, 2020**



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**The City Council of the City of Eugene finds that:**

A. On October 11, 1999, Ordinance No. 20170 was adopted granting to Northwest Natural Gas Company (“NWNNG”) a twenty-year non-exclusive right and franchise to lay, maintain and operate facilities in and under the public ways within the City of Eugene, Oregon. NWNNG accepted Ordinance No. 20170 on October 15, 1999. The Franchise was set to expire on November 11, 2019.

B. On July 22, 2019, Ordinance No. 20620 was adopted granting to NWNNG a franchise extension up to and through May 11, 2020. NWNNG accepted Ordinance No. 20620 on January 22, 2020.

C. The City of Eugene and NWNNG have been negotiating in good faith since Fall 2019 regarding franchise renewal and potential franchise terms. Despite the parties’ diligence, due to the number of relevant issues and potential franchise terms, the parties have not yet concluded their franchise negotiations.

D. Extending the term of the Franchise for six months would allow time for the City of Eugene and NWNNG to complete franchise renewal negotiations.

E. The City of Eugene has determined that it serves the public welfare to extend the term of the current franchise from May 11, 2020 up to and through November 11, 2020.

**NOW, THEREFORE,**

**THE CITY OF EUGENE DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** The franchise granted to NWNNG in Ordinance No. 20170 and Ordinance No. 20620 shall be extended up to and through November 11, 2020. This extension shall be effective upon NWNNG’s written acceptance.

**Section 2.** Other than the duration of the franchise set forth in this Ordinance, Ordinance No. 20170 and Ordinance No. 20620 shall continue in full force and effect.

**Passed by the City Council this**

**8<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020**



**City Recorder - Deputy**

**Approved by the Mayor this**

**10 day of April, 2020**



**Mayor**