

# Adoption of Proposed Ordinance No. 686 Granting a Non-exclusive Franchise to Seattle City Light

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# Process Overview

- Staff presented proposed SCL franchise on May 5
- General direction to move franchise forward
- Direction to negotiate additional Vegetation Management language
- Bringing franchise to Council for adoption tonight

# Vegetation Management (VM)

- Annual City VM Plan
- VM Activity Notice and Blanket Permit
- Property Owner Notification
- VM Clearance Distances
- VM on Private Property
- VM on City Right of Way
- VM on the Interurban Trail
- Tree Removal Notice
- VM Debris Removal
- VM Hazard Abatement



# VM Clearance Distances – Section 6.9.4

- Added in language that states currently established and replacement trees are subject to clearance distances
- Attached SCL standard D9-80 to franchise

# Franchise Consideration

- Applicant's past service record
- Nature and location of the proposed facilities and services
- Whether the proposal would serve public needs
- applicant has substantially complied with the material terms of franchise
- quality of the applicant's service, response to consumer complaints, and billing practices
- applicant has the financial, legal, and technical ability
- applicant's proposal is reasonable to meet the future community needs

# Alternatives

- Adopt Ord. No. 686
- Reject (not adopt) Ord. No. 686
- Direct staff to continue to negotiate



# Staff Recommendation

- Staff recommends that Council adopt proposed Ordinance No. 686

