An Ordinance granting to the SUNSET TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH COMPANY, its successors and assigns, the right to place, erect and maintain poles, wires and other appliances and conductors and to lay underground conductors for wires for the transmission of electricity for telephone and telegraph purposes, in, upon and under the streets, alleys, avenues and thoroughfares and public highways in the Town of Kent, King County, Washington, and to exercise the privilege of operating telephone and telegraph instruments, and of doing a telephone and telegraph business within said Town.

The Town of Kent does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. The Town of Kent hereby grants to the SUNSET TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY, its successors and assigns, the right and privilege to do a telephone and telegraph business within said Town, and to place, erect, lay maintain and operate in and under the streets, alleys, avenues, thoroughfares and public highways within said Town, poles, wires and other appliances and conductors for the transmission of electricity for telephone and telegraph purposes; such wires or conductors may be strung upon poles or other fixtures above ground, or at the option of the said grantee, its successors and assigns, may be laid underground in pipes or conduits or otherwise protected and such other apparatus may be used as may be necessary or proper to operate and maintain the same.

SECTION 2. It shall be lawful for the SUNSET TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY, its successors and assigns, to make all needful excavations in any of said streets, alleys, avenues, thoroughfares and public highways in said Town of Kent for the purpose of placing, erecting, laying and maintaining poles or other supports or conductors for said wires or for repairing, renewing or replacing the same. Said work shall be done in compliance with the necessary rules, regulations, ordinances or orders, which may during the continuance of this franchise be
adopted from time to time by the Town of Kent, King County, Wash.

SECTION 3. Whenever the said SUNSET TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY, its successors and assigns, shall disturb any of such streets for the purposes aforesaid, it or they shall restore the same to good order and condition as soon as practicable without any unnecessary delay, and failing to do so, the Town of Kent shall have the right to fix a reasonable time within which such repairs and restoration of streets shall be completed, and upon failure of such repairs being made by the SUNSET TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH COMPANY, its successors and assigns, the Town of Kent shall cause such repairs to be made at the expense of the SUNSET TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH COMPANY, its successors and assigns.

SECTION 4. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed in any way to prevent the proper authorities of the Town of Kent from sewer- ing, grading, planking, repairing or altering any of the streets herein mentioned, but all such repairs and work shall be done, if possible, so as not to obstruct or prevent the free use of said poles, wires, conductors, conduits, pipes or other apparatus.

SECTION 5. In consideration of the rights and privileges hereby granted, the Town of Kent shall have, and the SUNSET TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH COMPANY hereby grants to it the right and privilege to suspend and maintain upon the poles placed by said grantee, its successors and assigns, in the streets and thoroughfares aforesaid, or if said wires are placed underground, to place and maintain in the conduits of said grantee, any and all wires which said Town of Kent may require for fire alarm and police telegraph purposes free of charge to said Town.

SECTION 6. The rights, privileges and franchises herein granted shall continue and be in force for a period of twenty-five (25) years from the date of the passage of this Ordinance.
Passed the Council March 17th 1902

Approved April 5th 1902

Attest:

By the Clerk

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