1	PROPOSED BY: PARKS & RECREATION			
2	INTRODUCTION DATE: NOVEMBER 6, 2019			
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5	RESOLUTION NO			
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7	AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A TWENTY YEAR			
8	COMMUNICATION TOWER LEASE AGREEMENT WITH CROWN CASTLE GT FOR			
9	LEASED SPACE ON PARK PROPERTY AT LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN			
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11	WHEREAS, in January 2014, the State of Washington through the Department of			
12	Natural Resources conveyed to Whatcom County land which contained three (3)			
13	Commercial Communication Tower Lease sites with existing established towers; and			
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15	WHEREAS, Whatcom County Code 1.10.410 requires County Council to indicate by			
16	resolution whether a real property lease may be awarded by private negotiation with			
17	interested parties; and			
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19	WHEREAS, Whatcom County Code 1.10.410 authorizes County Council approval of			
20	real property leases; and			
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22	WHEREAS, the tower lease sites are located on Lookout Mountain and are remote			
23	and do not impede or impact public recreation or any other County purpose; and			
24	WIEDEAC the prior Department of National Decourses become leave to the			
25	WHEREAS, the prior Department of Natural Resources tower leases were for a			
26 27	period of ten years and will be expiring; and			
28	WHEREAS, the established communication towers are a substantial company			
29	expenditure and commitment and long term leases are necessary in this industry; and			
30	expenditure and commitment and long term leases are necessary in this industry, and			
31	WHEREAS, Crown Castle GT, owner of one of the towers, has requested to extend			
32	its communication tower lease for an additional twenty years; and			
33	its communication tower rease for an additional eventry years, and			
34	WHEREAS, the new communication tower lease contains updated lease provisions			
35	from the prior DNR leases, including lease rate increases, an annual three (3) % increase,			
36	road maintenance fees, and five year lease rate reviews; and			
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38	WHEREAS, this communication tower lease appears to be in the best interest of the			
39	County and the people thereof.			
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1	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the communication tower lease with						
2	Crown Castle GT proposed by Parks & Recreation Department is hereby awarded through						
3	private negotiation with interested parties.						
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5	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council authorizes the County Executive to						
6	enter into a twenty year communication tower lease agreement with Crown Castle GT for						
7	leased space on park property at Lookout Mountain as outlined in the lease agreement.						
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9	ADOPTED this day of	, 2019.					
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12		WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL					
13	ATTEST:	WHATCOM COUNTY, WASHINGTON					
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15	Dana Brown-Davis, Clerk of the Council	Rud Browne, Council Chair					
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19	APPROVED AS TO FORM:						
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22	Civil Deputy Prosecutor						