

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
DAKOTA COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

March 16, 2010

Resolution No. 10-151

Motion by Commissioner Gaylord

Second by Commissioner Schouweiler

Support For Google Fiber To Communities Application By Dakota Future

WHEREAS, Google, Inc. announced it is planning to fund, build, and test experimental ultra high-speed broadband networks in a small number of trial locations across the United States and has requested responses to a Request for Information from communities interested in hosting such a network by March 26, 2010; and

WHEREAS, the Google Gb Fiber Network would provide connectivity that produces 10 to 100 times faster downloads and upload speeds that are 20 to 100 times faster than current service offerings, further enhancing recognition of Dakota County as a world-class home for businesses and residents requiring ultra high-speed broadband networks; and

WHEREAS, the installation of the Google Network in Dakota County would enhance the ability to attract high technology investment by firms seeking a place to develop and test innovative new applications; and

WHEREAS, the Google Network will enable the delivery of education, health care, and public services more efficiently; and

WHEREAS, the Google Network could be a private investment in the County of up to \$300 million; and

WHEREAS, Dakota Future is a strategic link between business, education, and government in Dakota County with the goal of achieving recognition for Dakota County as world-class home for businesses and residents to prosper in an economy built on high-speed connectivity of information; and

WHEREAS, working through Dakota Future, Dakota County has been recognized among the "Smart 21 Intelligent Communities" in the world and desires to build on this reputation; and

WHEREAS, Dakota Future is preparing an application in response to the Request for Information (RFI) from Google, Inc. for the development of a Google Gb Fiber Network in Dakota County; and

WHEREAS, 10 Dakota County cities and the Dakota County Community Development Agency are providing monetary support for the development of an application to host a Google Network by Dakota Future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners supports the application of Dakota Future to host a Google Gb Fiber Network in Dakota County; and

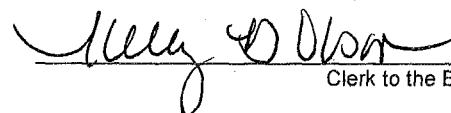
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners applauds to collaboration of government, business, and education in the development of the response to the Request for Information.

STATE OF MINNESOTA
County of Dakota

	YES		NO
Harris	<u> X </u>	Harris	<u> </u>
Gaylord	<u> X </u>	Gaylord	<u> </u>
Egan	<u> X </u>	Egan	<u> </u>
Schouweiler	<u> X </u>	Schouweiler	<u> </u>
Workman	<u> X </u>	Workman	<u> </u>
Krause	<u> X </u>	Krause	<u> </u>
Branning	<u> X </u>	Branning	<u> </u>

I, Kelly Olson, Clerk to the Board of the County of Dakota, State of Minnesota, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of a resolution with the original minutes of the proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners, Dakota County, Minnesota, at their session held on the 16th day of March 2010, now on file in the County Administration Department, and have found the same to be a true and correct copy thereof.

Witness my hand and official seal of Dakota County this 23rd day of March 2010.


 Clerk to the Board