

**RESOLUTION
CITY OF EAGAN**

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF GOOGLE FIBER FOR COMMUNITIES
EAGAN APPLICATIONS**

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, Google Gb Fiber Network would provide connectivity that produces 10 to 100 times faster than current service offerings, further enhancing recognition of Eagan and 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 Eagan and Dakota County would enhance the ability to attract high technology investment by firms seeing a place to develop and test innovative new applications and because Eagan wishes to maintain its position as a knowledge worker jobs leader; and

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

WHEREAS, the Google Network could represent significant private investment in the area; and

WHEREAS, Eagan was a founding member of the Gig Group in Minnesota and worked to try to get legislation passed setting Gigabit connections as the state standard; and

WHEREAS, Eagan is home to the largest software developer in the state and its citizens and government have been working since 2004 to improve broadband speeds, access and completion, and further, because it worked closely with neighboring communities in Dakota County to achieve recognition as one of the "Smart 21 Intelligent Communities" in the world and desires to build on this reputation; and

WHEREAS, close relationships between business, education, and government exist in Eagan and Dakota County with the common goal of facilitating the ability of citizens and employers to prosper in a world class environment, harnessing the power of data and the efficient utilization of high-speed connectivity of information; and finally,

WHEREAS, both the City of Eagan and its partners in Dakota County are preparing applications in response to the Request for Information (RFI) from Google, Inc. for the development of a Google Gb Fiber Network;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council wholeheartedly supports the applications to host a Google Gb Fiber Network in Eagan or collaboratively in Dakota County.

BY ACTION THIS 16th DAY of March, 2010, the Eagan City Council adopts this resolution and urges its speedy forwarding to Google.

DATE: March 16, 2010

CITY OF EAGAN
CITY COUNCIL

By: Mike Maguire
It's Mayor

Attest: Maria Petersen
It's Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Maria Petersen, Clerk of the City of Eagan, Dakota County, Minnesota, do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Eagan, Dakota County, Minnesota, in a regular meeting thereof assembled this 16th day of March, 2010.

Maria Petersen
Maria Petersen, Clerk