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THE CHAIR

Substitute resolution authorizing the Commissioner of Public Works to install fiber and provide network connectivity at the expense of and for the use and benefit of the Medical College of Wisconsin.

This resolution authorizes the Commissioner of Public Works to install fiber and provide network connectivity at the expense of and for the use and benefit of the Medical College of Wisconsin. This will provide the Medical College of Wisconsin connectivity to the WiscNet/BOREAS-Net Abilene/Internet2 education community node located at the Department of Administration-ITMD Network Operations Center (ITMD-NOC).

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee wishes to enhance the health of individuals and families, as well as promote higher education and enhance educational resources in the community; and

Whereas, The Medical College of Wisconsin is a national leader in the education and development of the next generation of physicians and scientists; provides cutting-edge, interdisciplinary and compassionate clinical care of the highest quality; and strives to improve the health of Milwaukee and surrounding communities; and

Whereas, The Medical College of Wisconsin has requested the assistance of the City of Milwaukee in obtaining high-speed network connectivity to the Internet through WiscNet at its expense; and

Whereas, WiscNet is a not-for-profit association established to further education, research, economic development and public service in the State of Wisconsin by creating and operating a digital communications network interconnecting public and private organizations including the provision of Internet services; and

Whereas, Common Council Resolution File Number 051269, adopted on February 7, 2006, authorized the Commissioner of Public Works to execute an agreement between the City of Milwaukee and the WiscNet Association to establish collocation facilities within the City of Milwaukee and that made it feasible for UW-Milwaukee to become a node on BOREAS-Net; and

Whereas, This collocation facility enables Milwaukee area educational institutions to gain access to WiscNet and the next generation internets including: BoreasNet, Abilene/Internet2 and other national and international networks, and it further enables connectivity between higher education and cultural institutions within the City of Milwaukee including: Marquette University, MATC, MIAD, Milwaukee Public Museum, Milwaukee Public Television, Discovery World, Pier Wisconsin, VISIT Milwaukee, Milwaukee World Festival Inc. and Wisconsin Center; and

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee owns dark fiber and can provide network services in certain routes that would be beneficial to the extension and enhancement of the Medical College of Wisconsin to further its mission even though the City cannot provide any customer service or connectivity guarantee for the use of that dark fiber; and

Whereas, The Medical College of Wisconsin will be the first higher education or cultural institution located outside the boundaries of the City of Milwaukee to utilize the City's dark fiber; and

Whereas, It would be in the best interests of the City of Milwaukee to facilitate connectivity for the Medical College of Wisconsin in exchange for a nominal annual fee of \$5,000 because the Medical College of Wisconsin is located outside the City; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the Commissioner of Public Works is authorized and directed to install dark fiber and to provide network connectivity at no cost to the City of Milwaukee in certain routes where capacity is available to enable the Medical College of Wisconsin to connect to provide access to and entry to the Department of Administration-ITMD Network Operations Center (ITMD-NOC) and, be it

Further Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that this Resolution is approved only on the condition that the Medical College of Wisconsin shall:

1. Prior to connection to the City's dark fiber and annually after connection, pay a \$5,000 fee to the City to use the dark fiber; and
2. Have no expectation or demands for customer service or connectivity guarantees from the City for the College's use of the dark fiber; and
3. Waive any and all claims against the City and its employees related to the College's use of the City's dark fiber, including, but not limited to any damages suffered by the College or others related to failure of the dark fiber or lack of connectivity regardless of the cause.

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