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THE CHAIR

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 University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee.

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 University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee. This will provide the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee School of Public Health (to be located at 1240 North 10th Street) connectivity to the WiscNet/BOREAS-Net Abilene/Internet2 education community node located at the DPW-NOC (Network Operations Center).

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee wishes to promote higher education and enhance educational resources in the community; and

Whereas, The University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee has requested the assistance of the City of Milwaukee in obtaining high-speed network connectivity between its new School of Public Health campus and to both its primary campus and to the Internet through WiscNet at its expense; and

Whereas, The School of Public Health will have a dedicated area for Health Department employees who will be permanently placed there; and

Whereas, The Health Department and University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee School of Public Health have formed a partnership to advance public health practice, including the Public Health Impact Initiative funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to improve birth outcomes related to racial disparities and other initiatives as well as applied research, and to provide solutions for the prevention of health-related problems in the community; and

Whereas, The 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 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, enabling connectivity between higher education and cultural institutions

within the City, including the following: Marquette University, MATC, Milwaukee Public Television, Discovery World, Pier Wisconsin, VISIT Milwaukee, Milwaukee World Festival Inc. and Midwest Airlines Center; and

Whereas, The City owns dark fiber and can provide network services in certain routes that would be beneficial to the extension and enhancement of the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee to further its mission; and

Whereas, It would be in the best interests of the City to facilitate connectivity within the City for the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the Commissioner of Public Works is directed to install dark fiber and to provide network connectivity, at no cost to the City, in certain routes where capacity is available to enable the University of Wisconsin - Milwaukee to connect its School of Public Health to its primary campus and provide access to and entry to the WiscNet/BOREAS-Net collocation facility at the DPW-NOC (Network Operations Center).

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