

**CITY OF GUSTAVUS, ALASKA  
RESOLUTION NO. CY15-05**

**A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSAL TO 'DESIGN MODEL COMMUNITY NETWORK'**

**WHEREAS**, City-owned Gustavus Community Network (GCN) has provided Internet service to the community of Gustavus since 1996; and

**WHEREAS**, all existing internet access options in Gustavus are inadequate for today's media-rich Internet applications, much less for those to come, and none of them is available throughout the City; and

**WHEREAS**, upgrading the community Internet service to broadband has been identified as a critical infrastructure need for the City of Gustavus and received 'strong positive' support as a capital infrastructure project in the 2005 'City of Gustavus Strategic Plan'; and

**WHEREAS**, 84% of respondents to the DCRA sponsored 'Gustavus, Alaska: 2008 Community Survey Report' identified improvement of Internet connectivity as an important infrastructure project, placing second only to a new dock in importance on a list of 25 infrastructure projects; and

**WHEREAS**, broadband consultant ICF International has developed a Gustavus Broadband Plan with extensive input from the community of Gustavus and other broadband stakeholders, funded by an FY12 grant from the Alaska Legislature through the Department of Community, Commerce, and Economic Development; and

**WHEREAS**, the Gustavus Broadband Plan identifies a City-owned hybrid fiber-coax network as the best business model and technology for meeting the communication needs identified by the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Gustavus City Council accepted the proposed Gustavus Broadband Plan by resolution on October 4, 2010, and now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, the Gustavus City Council, in an effort to promote economic development, curb out-migration and improve community health and safety by providing the fastest, most reliable and most affordable last-mile broadband network, seeks State general fund support; and, be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Gustavus City Council supports for submission the FY16 capital request to 'Design Model Community Network', requesting \$70,335 from the State of Alaska, to be matched with \$50,000 from City reserves.

**PASSED** and **APPROVED** by the Gustavus City Council this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2015.

  
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Mike Taylor, Mayor

  
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Attest: Lori Ewing, City Clerk

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