

## PROPERTY & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

**DATE:** Tuesday, July 20, 2021

**TIME:** 9:00 a.m.

**LOCATION:** Room 114, Wood County Courthouse

1. Call meeting to order.
2. Public Comments
3. Resolution – Easement to City of Wisconsin Rapids for Jackson St. Reconstruction
4. Resolution – Broadband Grant Application
5. Adjourn

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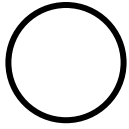
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RESOLUTION#

Introduced by Property & Information Technology Committee
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Motion: Adopted: Lost: Tabled: Absent:
Number of votes required:
[X] Majority [ ] Two-thirds
Reviewed by: , Corp Counsel
Reviewed by: , Finance Dir.

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INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To authorize the County Clerk to execute the necessary documents to convey the nominal property interests the City of Wisconsin Rapids needs from Wood County for its West Jackson Street road improvement project.

FISCAL NOTE: The County will receive \$2,161 for the temporary and permanent transportation easements.

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WHEREAS, the City of Wisconsin Rapids (the City) is in the process of improving Jackson Street west of the river, and

WHEREAS, said road improvement project requires the City to obtain both a temporary and permanent easement from the County for property the County owns to the east of the Elks Club and which is currently used as a parking lot, and

WHEREAS, the real property at issue is nominal in size, impact to the County's use of its property is minimal, and the value of the property being taken is negligible, and

WHEREAS, to expedite the property acquisition aspect of the road improvement project, the City has asked the County to sign: 1) a Waiver of Appraisal, 2) Statement to Construction Engineer, and 3) Highway Easement, and

WHEREAS, the Property and Information Technology Committee has met with the City's engineer and County staff to discuss the matter and feel it is appropriate for the County to work with the City on its project, recognize the minor nature of the requested property conveyance, and to seek permission for the County Clerk to sign the necessary documents so as to simplify the City's project,

NOW, THEREFORE, THE WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEREBY RESOLVES to authorize and direct the County Clerk to sign the: 1) Waiver of Appraisal, 2) Statement to Construction Engineer, and 3) Highway Easement, presented by the City in association with the West Jackson Street renovation project.

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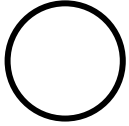
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AL BREU (Chair)
DENNIS POLACH
BRAD HAMILTON
LAURA VALENSTEIN
WILLIAM WINCH

Adopted by the County Board of Wood County, this day of 20 .

County Clerk

County Board Chairman



RESOLUTION#

Introduced by Property & Information Technology Committee
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Motion: Adopted:
1st Lost:
2nd Tabled:
No: Yes: Absent:
Number of votes required:
[X] Majority Two-thirds
Reviewed by: Corp Counsel
Reviewed by: Finance Dir.

INTENT & SYNOPSIS: To authorize the Planning and Zoning Director to make application for broadband grants in partnership with Hilbert Communications, LLC.

FISCAL NOTE: The County is not making an actual financial commitment by means of this resolution but is expressing an intention to pursue broadband internet expansion in the county if funding from the state in support thereof is received.

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WHEREAS, in order to address the substantial areas within Wood County that are unserved or underserved with access to broadband internet, Wood County recognizes a necessity to research and gather information to identify the broadband needs of its citizens and businesses, and to encourage providers to invest and provide those services in Wood County; and

WHEREAS, Hilbert Communications, LLC ("Hilbert"), and its subsidiary broadband wireless internet service provider company, Bug Tussel Wireless, LLC ("Bug Tussel"), have expressed a desire to commence a project consisting of the construction and operation of certain wireless communication services to provide the most advanced infrastructure to the unserved and underserved residents of Wood County; and

WHEREAS, Wood County desires to pursue Broadband Expansion Grants offered by the State of Wisconsin using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding; and

WHEREAS, Hilbert advises it is willing and able to partner with Wood County to provide the latest advancements in broadband coverage and to seek all available grants to provide and subsidize the cost of necessary broadband infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, as a first step Wood County desires to pursue and make application for any and all grant money available for broadband coverage; and

WHEREAS, the committee introducing this resolution has considered Hilbert and Bug Tussel's history of community partnerships and their proposal to expand broadband to unserved and underserved areas of Wood County and hereby recommend partnering with Hilbert to pursue broadband expansion grants.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE WOOD COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HEREBY RESOLVES to authorize the Planning and Zoning Director to apply to the State of Wisconsin for broadband expansion grants funded by ARPA in partnership with Hilbert, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Planning and Zoning Director is authorized to negotiate with Hilbert to enter into development agreements for assistance in the grant application process, wherein there is no commitment to the county spending money without further authorization of the county board via resolution, and

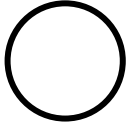
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WILLIAM WINCH

Adopted by the County Board of Wood County, this 20th day of July 20 21.

County Clerk

County Board Chairman



**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Planning and Zoning Director is authorized to do all such acts and to execute, acknowledge, and deliver all such documents necessary or desirable to fulfill the intent of this resolution.

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Adopted by the County Board of Wood County, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20 \_\_\_\_\_ .

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County Clerk

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County Board Chairman