

# RESOLUTION No. 36770

Authorize the City to submit a response to Google's Request for Information for construction of ultra-high-speed open access broadband network within Portland (Resolution)

WHEREAS, Google, Inc. ("Google") is among the largest and most successful providers in the world of online search services, Internet-based software applications and content; and

WHEREAS, on February 10, Google issued a Request for Information (RFI) to construct and test ultra-high-speed broadband networks of 1 gigabit per second fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) connections at various trial locations; and

WHEREAS, Google has announced that it plans to work with local partners to offer ultra-high-speed services at competitive prices in test-bed areas around the county in units ranging from 50,000 to 500,000 in population; and

WHEREAS, Google requires all responses to its Local Government RFI to include "open access" to the planned ultra-high-speed fiber network; and

WHEREAS, the City of Portland was the first government in the nation to endorse application of an "open access" requirement to then-emerging broadband Internet platforms by Council action in December, 1998; and

WHEREAS, the City of Portland was the first government in the nation to endorse "open source" software and "open data" by City Council action in September, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the City has actively and consistently sought to catalyze construction of competitive, high speed open platform broadband networks since 1998 through initiatives including a Broadband RFI (1999), municipal wi-fi, multiple planning phases toward launch of a Portland Community Fiber Network, and recent Council direction to develop an RFP seeking an FTTP network; and

WHEREAS, the City's detailed development of everything necessary to construct a successful, high speed fiber broadband system in Portland, in addition to well-documented community interest, need and demand for such an open system, makes Portland a natural and enthusiastic "shovel-ready" partner for Google's pioneering Local Government RFI; and

WHEREAS, the City is committed to utilize these resources to pioneer creative applications, advance educational opportunities, create jobs, and bridge the digital divide;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City Council directs City staff, in cooperation with interested community partners, citizens, and businesses, to submit a response to Google's Local Government RFI for submittal by March 26, 2010.

Adopted by the Council: MAR 17 2010

Mayor Sam Adams  
Commissioner Amanda Fritz  
Commissioner Dan Saltzman  
Commissioner Nick Fish  
Commissioner Randy Leonard  
Prepared by: David C Olson & Brendan Finn  
Date Prepared: March 10, 2010

**LaVonne Griffin-Valade**

Auditor of the City of Portland

By



Deputy

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<b>COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</b> Mayor—Finance and Administration - Adams Position 1/Utilities - Fritz Position 2/Works - Fish Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman Position 4/Safety - Leonard	LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland By: _____ Deputy <b>ACTION TAKEN:</b>
<b>BUREAU APPROVAL</b> Bureau: Bureau Head: Prepared by: David Olson Brendan Finn Date Prepared: March 10, 2010 Financial Impact Statement Completed <input type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Portland Policy Document If "Yes" requires City Policy paragraph stated in document. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council Meeting Date <b>March 16, 2010</b> <b>City Attorney Approval</b>	

<b>AGENDA</b> <b>TIME CERTAIN</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Start time: 3:30pm</b> <u>10:30 am</u> <b>Total amount of time needed: 30 minutes</b> (for presentation, testimony and discussion) <b>CONSENT</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>REGULAR</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Total amount of time needed:</b> _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)
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FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
		YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz	✓	
2. Fish	2. Fish	✓	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	✓	
4. Leonard	4. Leonard	✓	
Adams	Adams	✓	