

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE SECOND YEAR OF THE FIBER TO THE HOME PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the City is committed to improving broadband infrastructure and providing high-speed internet access to residents through the Velocity Broadband Fiber to the Home (FTTH) network project; and

WHEREAS, the first year of the Velocity Broadband FTTH network project has been successful and is expected to be completed by the end of Summer 2026; and

WHEREAS, the City administration is ready to move forward with the construction of the second year of the project in order to minimize and hopefully eliminate any gaps and/or delays in the buildout; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to solicit competitive bids and/or state approved agreements to ensure that the City receives the best value for fiber construction materials, including such items as conduit, fiber, fiber closures, splicing material, demarks, ground closures, and aerial attachment equipment; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of the second-year FTTH buildout is \$4,761,500; and

WHEREAS, advertising for bids and entering into a contract with the lowest and best bidder is in the best interest of the City and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Hudson, Summit County, Ohio, that:

Section 1. The City Manager is authorized to advertise for a period of at least three (3) weeks on the City of Hudson's website requesting the submission of bids for the purpose of acquiring the lowest and best bidder for the construction of the "second year" of the Velocity Broadband Fiber to the Home network project, all in accordance with the terms and specifications on file with the City administration and applicable laws and regulations governing procurement in the City of Hudson.

Section 2. The City Manager is also authorized to enter into a contract or contracts on behalf of the City for the purposes outlined in Section 1 above, in amounts already or to be appropriated by Council, with the lowest and best bidder (or, in the absence of competitive bidding, pursuant to any other Charter-approved form of purchasing) and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor and subject to the affixing to the contract by the Finance Director of a certificate of availability of funds therefor.

Section 3. The City Manager is further authorized to return all certified checks and bid bonds submitted by the unsuccessful bidders.

Section 4. That the aforesaid recitals are rendered to be the findings of this Council and are hereby incorporated into this Resolution.

Section 5. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

Section 6. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

PASSED: _____

Jeffrey L. Anzevino, Mayor

ATTEST:

Aparna Wheeler, Clerk of Council

I certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 26- ____ was duly passed by the Council of said Municipality on _____, 2026.

Aparna Wheeler, Clerk of Council