

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNION CITY
AUTHORIZING DEVELOPMENT OF CITY POLICIES TO INCREASE
ACCESSIBILITY TO HIGH-SPEED INTERNET IN COMMERCIAL AND
INDUSTRIAL AREAS AND
AUTHORIZING STAFF TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$318,651.51 WITH COMMUNICATION NETWORK RESOURCES, INC.
TO INSTALL DARK FIBER IN CITY-OWNED CONDUIT
AT THE STATION DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, on January 2, 2015, the City Council adopted the City's first Economic Development Strategic Plan (Plan); and

WHEREAS, the Plan included a business attraction and retention strategy to enhance access to high-speed broadband; and

WHEREAS, in 2016 the City commissioned a Commercial/Industrial Broadband Infrastructure Analysis (Broadband Report) to evaluate current accessibility and quality of internet services available to businesses in the commercial/industrial areas of the City; and

WHEREAS, the Broadband Report concluded that the business and industrial areas of Union City have inadequate internet services but that properly executed broadband policies could improve accessibility to high-speed internet at more competitive prices; and

WHEREAS, the Broadband Report recommended three general initiatives to upgrade commercial and industrial broadband infrastructure and service availability consisting of developing a detailed geodatabase of City-owned conduits; enacting policies to promote telecommunications competition; and determining a preferred business model for the management and use of City-owned conduits; and

WHEREAS, staff prioritized the Station District as the first phase of City-wide broadband strategy to take advantage of existing conduits in place to install and own high speed dark fiber that will provide faster internet services to businesses and residents in the area; and

WHEREAS, Communication Network Resources, Inc. (CNR) provided the most comprehensive response to the Request for Proposal (RFP) to install high-speed fiber optic cable in city-owned conduit in the Station District at a cost of \$318,651.51; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds budgeted in an existing City Council appropriation from 2011 Bonds, Fund 4160, to award the requested construction contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Union City authorizes the development of City policies that increase accessibility to high-speed internet

in Union City's commercial and industrial areas; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Union City that it authorizes the staff to execute a contract with Communication Network Resources, Inc. (CNR) in the amount of \$318,651.51 to install dark fiber in city-owned conduit at the Station District; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager of the City of Union City is hereby authorized and directed to execute the hereinabove mentioned contract in the name of and for and on behalf of the City of Union City.