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PITTSFIELD CHARTER TOWNSHIP
WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN
RESOLUTION NO. 10 - 26

**A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE PITTSFIELD+SALINE=GOOGLEVILLE
APPLICATION TO GOOGLE, INC FOR THEIR GOOGLE FIBER FOR COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE**

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Township Board for Pittsfield Charter Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, held at the Pittsfield Township Administration Building, located at 6201 W. Michigan Avenue, in said Township on Wednesday the 24th day of March, 2010 at 6:30pm.

Present: Grewal, Israel, Scribner, Ferguson, Hunt, Krone, Yi
Absent: None

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Member Israel and supported by Member Yi..

WHEREAS, Google, Inc. is planning to build and test ultra-high speed broadband networks in one or more trial locations across the country; and

WHEREAS, the ultra-high speed bandwidth will drive more innovation – in high-definition video, remote data storage, real-time multimedia collaboration, and other ways not yet imagined; and

WHEREAS, this ultra-high speed fiber optic bandwidth will enable new consumer applications, as well as medical, educational and other services that can benefit communities; and

WHEREAS, the Pittsfield+Saline=Googleville partnership, consisting of Pittsfield Charter Township, the City of Saline and the Saline Area Schools, will submit a joint application to win Google's fiber optic network project ; and

WHEREAS, The Pittsfield+Saline=Googleville partnership believes that this region presents a unique opportunity to test and measure the impact of ultra high speed broadband service on the daily lives of a wide range of Americans; from youth to farmers to cutting edge researchers, and;

WHEREAS, The leadership of Pittsfield Charter Township, the City of Saline and the Saline Area Schools pledge to be agile, accommodating and adaptable in working with Google to build their fiber optic network project, and;

WHEREAS, The vibrant blend of urban, suburban, rural, residential, industrial, commercial and high tech presents fertile territory to realize and measure the transformative impact of ultra high speed broadband,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Pittsfield Charter Township Board of Trustees, together with the City of Saline and the Saline Area Schools, hereby agree to join together to file a Local Government Request For Information (RFI) with Google, Inc. and actively pursue being chosen as a trial location for their Google Fiber for Communities Initiative, and hereby encourage all our residents to support this application in the spirit of regionalism.

RESOLUTION UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED.



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Planning Commission

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RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT
PITTSFIELD TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
Pittsfield+Saline=Googleville
March 18, 2010

Motion by Commissioner Wall, supported by Commissioner Longcore, to make a resolution of support for the Pittsfield+Saline=Googleville application that will be submitted on March 26, 2010.

MOTION CARRIED



The CITY of SALINE

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JOINT RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT

PITTSFIELD CHARTER TOWNSHIP, CITY OF SALINE & SALINE AREA SCHOOLS

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WHEREAS, the ultra-high speed bandwidth will drive more innovation – in high-definition video, remote data storage, real-time multimedia collaboration, and others not yet imagined; and

WHEREAS, this ultra-high speed fiber optic bandwidth will enable new consumer applications, as well as medical, educational and other services that can benefit communities; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the City of Saline, Pittsfield Charter Township and Saline Area Schools to file a joint application to win Google's fiber optic network project ; and

WHEREAS, the City of Saline, Pittsfield Charter Township and Saline Area Schools wish to work cooperatively with Google, Inc. and believe that many benefits will be derived for our communities should we be successful in being chosen as a trial location;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Saline, Pittsfield Charter Township, and Saline Area Schools hereby agree to join together to file a local government RFI with Google, Inc. and actively pursue being their choice as a trial location for their ultra-high speed broadband network, and hereby encourage all our residents to support our communities and school in this application.

MOVED by Councilmember Ivey SECONDED by Councilmember Ping that the foregoing Resolution be adopted.

AYES: Driskell, Ivey, Law, Little, Marl, Ping, Rhoads

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Resolution declared adopted at a regular meeting of the Saline City Council held on Monday, March 22, 2010.

Dianne S. Hill, City Clerk
City of Saline, Michigan

Office of the Superintendent



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March 25, 2010

To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter in support of the Pittsfield Township, City of Saline, and Saline Area Schools Googleville application.

As Superintendent of Saline Area Schools, I can assure you that the positive impact the Googleville project would have on our students, staff, and community is tremendous. It will allow us as educators to expand our learning in ways we only dreamed possible.

If you have any questions or would like to contact me, I can be reached at 734-429-8001 or gradens@saline.k12.mi.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. Graden", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Scot A. Graden
Superintendent
Saline Area Schools

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March 26, 2010

Google
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Re: Google -Request for Information
Community Fiber Optic Trial

Dear Friends at Google,

This letter is in support of the businesses and residents in Pittsfield Township, the City of Saline, and the Saline Area School District to select our area as one of your fiber optic trial sites.


In the last several years, many cities throughout the Midwest, and particularly in Michigan, have struggled economically. Yet, people in our area have innovatively found ways to cope and even succeed. Every two years CNN/Money Magazine publishes a rating of smaller cities in America for finalists on their list of "100 Best Places to Live". Only seven communities in the country have made the list the last three times consecutively and we're proud to be one of them (see enclosed).

Hard work and ratings aside, there are other reasons for our success. They include our history, our people, and our business and civic leaders who continue to effectively partner to maintain a valued quality of life here. Within and around the area you will find all kinds of employers with state-of-the art technology and who are receptive to new ideas, commercial space with room to grow, convenient transit throughout the area, and a welcoming attitude from virtually all of our civic leaders.

Two things we are particularly proud of include the high level of achievement by students in our school system and the number of international companies from countries like Germany, France, Japan, Spain, India, and Denmark who have chosen to locate their North American headquarters here.

The Saline Area Chamber of Commerce is a 500-member organization of area business people, professionals, and civic leaders located in Pittsfield Township and the City of Saline. If other information is required we would be more than happy to be a resource. Please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,


J. Larry Osterling
Executive Director

Encl.

cc: Charter Township of Pittsfield
City of Saline
Saline Area Schools