

RESOLUTION NO. ____-2015

RESOLUTION OF THE FORT BRAGG CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE FY 2015-16 BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE \$10,000 FROM THE WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DOWNTOWN WIFI PROJECT (BUDGET AMENDMENT #2016-01; AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000; FUND 220, WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND)

WHEREAS, the Fort Bragg City Council formed an ad hoc Technology Committee to explore the possibility of establishing free wireless internet service (WiFi) in downtown Fort Bragg; and

WHEREAS, the Committee has recommended that free Downtown WiFi service be provided, in partnership between the City and Mendocino Community Network (MCN); and

WHEREAS, the Downtown WiFi project is intended help brand Fort Bragg as a technology-friendly community, and to enable residents and visitors to access 4G wireless internet service on cell phones, tablets, and laptop computers from locations throughout the downtown; and

WHEREAS, the Downtown WiFi project will require installation and configuration of antennas, routing equipment, servers, battery back up, etc and ongoing administrative support services; and

WHEREAS, initial start-up costs, including purchase of equipment and installation of cabling, are estimated at approximately \$10,000, and MCN has agreed to perform the installation and configuration free of charge; and

WHEREAS, The City will need to enter into a service agreement with MCN to clarify roles and responsibilities for installation, configuration, administration, and repair of the free public wireless internet service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg does hereby amend the FY 2015-16 Budget to appropriate \$10,000 from the Waste Management Community Benefit Fund for implementation of the Downtown WiFi Project (Budget Amendment 2016-01; Amount Not to Exceed \$10,000; Fund 220, Waste Management Community Benefit Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is directed to negotiate a service agreement with MCN to clarify roles and responsibilities for installation, configuration, administration and repair of the free public wireless internet service.

The above and foregoing Resolution was introduced by Hammerstrom, seconded by Councilmember Deitz, and passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg held on the 13th day of July, 2015 by the following vote:

**AYES:
NOES:
ABSENT:**

ABSTAIN:

DAVE TURNER
Mayor

ATTEST:

Brenda Jourdain,
Administrative Assistant