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At a Special Session of the Raleigh County Commission held on the 28th day of January, 2022 in the Commission Courtroom thereof:

#### CALL TO ORDER

President Tolliver called the Special Session to Order.

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#### **PRESENT**

Present: David Tolliver, President

Linda K. Epling, Commissioner

Greg Duckworth, Commissioner (per phone conference)

Carl Roop, County Attorney

Jay Quesenberry, County Administrator

Billy Michael, Assistant County Administrator - absent

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### APPROVAL OF MATCHING FUNDS OF \$1 MILLION FOR BROADBAND IN RALEIGH COUNTY

A motion was made by Commissioner Epling the approval of matching funds of \$1,000,000.00 for broadband in Ghent/Odd area of Raleigh County. Seconded by Commissioner Duckworth and motion carried. (SEE EXHIBIT

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### APPROVAL OF ARPA RESOLUTION

Commissioner Epling moved to approve the ARPA Resolution Seconded by Commissioner Duckworth

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### SELECTION OF ENGINEER. LEGAL SERVICES AND INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDER FOR RALEIGH COUNTY BROADBAND PROJECT

A motion was made by Commissioner Epling to accept Steptoe and Johnson to provide legal services for the Raleigh County Broadband Project. Seconded by Commissioner Duckworth and motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Epling moved to accept Gigabean Network as ISP Seconded by Comm

A motion was made by Commissioner Epling to approve Thrasher Engineering as the Engineer Seconded by Commissioner

A motion was made by Commissioner Epling to adjourn this Special Session. Seconded by Commissioner Duckworth and motion carried.

David Tolliver President



## Friday January 28, 2022 10:00 AM SPECIAL MEETING COUNTY COMMISSION OF RALEIGH COUNTY

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. New Business
  - 3.1 Approval of matching funds of \$1 million for broadband in Raleigh County
  - 3.2 Approval of Gig Ready Broadband resolution
  - 3.3 Selection of Engineer, Legal Services, and Internet Service Provider for the Raleigh County Broadband Project
- 4. Adjournment

The next regularly scheduled Raleigh County Commission meeting will be held
Tuesday February 1, 2022 at 10:00 am in the
Raleigh County Commission Chamber
116 ½ N. Heber Street
Beckley, WV 25801

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## County Commission of Raleigh County



116 ½ North Heber Street Beckley, West Virginia 25801-4522



January 28, 2022

The Honorable Mitch Carmichael
Secretary
WV Department of Economic Development
1900 Kanawha Boulevard East,
Building 3, Suite 600
Charleston, WV 25303

RE: Raleigh County GigReady Broadband Expansion Project

Dear Secretary Carmichael:

First, and most importantly, thank you for your leadership and foresight to expand broadband connectivity in our great state. As you know, our county is submitting a grant request to the state's GigReady broadband deployment program.

Our County Commission has committed \$1,000,000 as local match to the overall project, as evidenced by the official documentation within our grant application. However, we are very pleased to inform you that our partner ISP for this project, GigaBeam Networks, is also committing private funding as match to this implementation project as well. They have graciously included documentation of commitment as an attachment to our grant application.

Should you have any questions regarding our application, please contact me at your convenience. Again, thank you and your staff for your dedication to the residents of West Virginia.

Sincerely,

David Tolliver, President Raleigh County Commission

### RESOLUTION

Whereas, the Raleigh County Commission, wishes to submit an application to the WV Department of Economic Development GigReady Incentive Program Grant Program to request funding for a broadband expansion project, and;

Whereas, the Raleigh County Commission match amount and funding sources must have a resolution authorizing the pledge amount from the pledge organization; and

Whereas, the Raleigh County Commission must give assurances that the WV Department of Economic Development GigReady Incentive Program Regulations related to grant administration, civil rights and other applicable State and Federal Laws will be followed, and;

Whereas, the Raleigh County Commission must designate an official representative to act in connection with the application and execute all necessary program documents:

### Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved That:

The Raleigh County Commission authorized the submission of an application under the WV Department of Economic Development GigReady Incentive Program to request funding for the Raleigh County Broadband GigReady Project.

The Raleigh County Commission authorized the matching pledge amount of up to \$1 million or 25% of the total project cost of \$4 million.

The Raleigh County Commission will comply with all laws and regulations pertaining to the program.

Dave Tolliver, Raleigh County Commission President is designated as the authorized official to act in connection with the application.

I, Daniel W. Moore, Raleigh County Clerk, certify that the above is a true copy of a Resolution adopted the 28th day of January, 2022 during a meeting with a majority of the Commission present. I further certify that a quorum of the Board was present and a majority of its members voted affirmatively for this Resolution.

David Tallings

President Raleigh County Commission

Daniel W. Moore Raleigh County Clerk

### **VERIFICATION**

State of West Virginia	
County of Raleigh	
David L. Tolliver	
President [title] of Rateigh County Commission [Company], the Applicant in the att Application, being duly sworn, says that I am duly authorized to provide this verification, and information and statements contained in the Application are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.	ti ach I ti atio
Taken, sworn to and subscribed before me this	<b>_</b> '
My commission expires on the4h day ofApril	
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# Services Chosen for Ghent Broadband Project At special meeting on Friday January 28, 2022

- 1. Legal Services- Steptoe & Johnson (the only firm that submitted)
- 2. Internet Service Provider (ISP)- Gigabeam Networks
- 3. Engineering Services- Thrasher Engineering