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Meeting Minutes - Approved DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 12, 2015

5:00 PM

210 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room GR-27 (City-County Building)

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 9 - Scott J. Resnick; Mark Clear; Mark H. Evans; Erik S. Paulson; Lauren N. Kieliszewski; Thomas C. Mack; J.J. Streicher-Bremer; Bradley J. Grzesiak and Teresa Q. Holmes

Teresa Holmes attended via teleconference.

Guests Present: Melissa Gombar, Bill Smojver

Staff Present: Paul Kronberger, Rich Beadles, Dave Faust, Leslie Starczewski

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Clear and second by Evans, the minutes of the 1/8/2015 meeting were approved.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

4. DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

Bradley Grzesiak's company continues to do business with 5NINES.

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Madison Equity Initiative Overview

Melissa Gombar, City of Madison Department of Civil Rights (DCR), presented an overview of the Racial Equity Social Justice Initiative (RESJ). Committee members agreed that the Digital Divide pilot project would benefit from tools provided by RESJ and that it would be included as one of DCR's Initiative pilot projects.

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Digital Divide

MMSD Survey Results

Bill Smojver, MMSD, provided information about the MMSD Technology Survey that was taken at the time of fall registration. A summary report is attached to this legislative file. Additional detail can be found on the MMSD website. The program to provide one-to-one devices will be phased in over the next four years.

Feasibility Study - Madison Co-op Internet Utility

On a motion by Resnick and second by Evans, IT staff (with assistance from the City Attorney's Office) are directed to develop specs for the feasibility study and to issue a bid as soon as possible. Motion passed with a voice vote.

Discussion included the impact the study would have on the Digital Divide pilot project. Without the study, the pilot project must have an end date. While pilot projects traditionally include an end date, some committee members felt providing internet access should be considered a utility and that it would be a disservice to the people served to just turn it off.

Update on RFP for Digital Divide Pilot Project

Chair Paulson submitted a memo regarding "Areas in need of more detail for Wireless Broadband in Madison" (attached to file). Rich Beadles updated the committee about staff efforts including establishing a project team and reaching out to LTE experts who will participate on the RFP team.

Considerations to be made are how many users do we want to reach and support costs.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm on a motion by Grzesiak and second by Streicher-Bremer.