RESOLUTION NO. 2012-060

SPONSOR Mr. Pry

DATE February 13, 2012

COMMITTEE Planning

First Reading Passage Requested (J. Dodson)

A Resolution supporting and authorizing the County Executive to execute, an application by the County of Summit and other participating public entities to the State of Ohio for $100,000.00 in grant funds, with a 10% local match, from the Local Government Innovation Fund, for a feasibility study concerning a shared broadband infrastructure and authorizing the Executive to execute a partnership agreement with the participating public entities concerning the same, for the Executive, and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, the State of Ohio has established the Local Government Innovation Fund ("LGIF") to provide financial assistance to Ohio political subdivisions for planning and implementing projects that are projected to create more efficient and effective service delivery within a specific discipline of government services for one or more entities; and

WHEREAS, the County and participating political entities wish to collaborate to apply for funding sources for, and perform a feasibility study concerning, a shared broadband infrastructure that would support future consolidations of, and collaborations concerning, government functions performed by the parties; and

WHEREAS, the County and the participating public entities intend to submit an application to the State of Ohio for $100,000.00 in grant funds, with a 10% local match, from the LGIF for the feasibility study concerning a shared broadband structure; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the County Executive to execute a partnership agreement with the participating political entities concerning the grant application; and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of this Council to express the County's support for the grant application for the feasibility study because a shared broadband structure among local governments would be of great benefit to the citizens of Summit County; and

WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information, that it is necessary and in the best interest of the County to support the aforementioned application to the State of Ohio for LGIF grant funds for a feasibility study of a shared broadband infrastructure and authorizing the Executive to execute a partnership agreement with the participating public entities concerning the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Summit, State of Ohio, that:

SECTION 1

This Council hereby expresses the County’s support for the application by the County of Summit and other participating public entities to the State of Ohio for $100,000.00 in grant funds, with a 10% local match, from the Local Government Initiative Fund for a feasibility study concerning a shared broadband infrastructure and the County Executive is hereby authorized to execute said application.
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SECTION 2

The County Executive is hereby authorized to execute a partnership agreement with participating public entities concerning the grant applications set forth in Section 1 of this Resolution.

SECTION 3

This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the County of Summit and for the further purpose to immediately declare the County's support of the aforementioned grant application and authorize the Executive to execute the grant application and a related partnership agreement with participating public entities prior to the March 1, 2012 deadline for the application.

SECTION 4

Provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of eight members, it shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Executive; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest time provided by law.

SECTION 5

It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

INTRODUCED __________ February 13, 2012

ADOPTED __________ February 13, 2012

CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED __________ February 14, 2012

EXECUTIVE

ENACTED EFFECTIVE __________ February 14, 2012

Voice Vote: 9-0 Yes:Comunale, Crawford, Feeman, Kostandaras Kurt, Lee, Rodgers, Roemer, Schmidt. Absent: Prentice, Shapiro