

A RESOLUTION CREATING A WIRELESS WASHTENAW ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND APPOINTING REPRESENTATION FOR A ONE YEAR TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2005

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
May 18, 2005

WHEREAS, Wireless Washtenaw is an initiative launched by Washtenaw County, University of Michigan, IT Zone, City of Ann Arbor, WDC and the Washtenaw County Local Units of Government that consists of three primary goals; and

WHEREAS, one goal is to blanket the County's 720 square miles with wireless internet service and provide internet access to every resident, business, and visitor in the County. A wireless infrastructure throughout Washtenaw County will provide seamless access to their internet, email, and other internet services anywhere in the County. ; and

WHEREAS, the second goal is to address the 'digital divide' that exists within Washtenaw County by providing a blend of free and for fee wireless technology to the entire population within Washtenaw County; and

WHEREAS, the third goal is to partner with the local units of government and the community to promote the quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the benefits of Wireless Washtenaw include:

- Improving the County's ability to attract and retain businesses.
- Enhancing the residential character of the local communities.
- Allowing for a rapid expansion of the County's growing mobile workforce.
- Reducing the costs, and improving the reliability of mobile computing.
- Supporting further economic development within the County.
- Enabling enhanced educational opportunities to students.

WHEREAS, the purpose of creating an advisory committee is to oversee and provide guidance to the Wireless Washtenaw project; and

WHEREAS, the committee will serve as the project Board of Directors and make recommendations on important project milestones to the Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the Wireless Washtenaw Advisory Committee will consist of representatives from the University of Michigan, Eastern Michigan University, Washtenaw County Administration, Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, Michigan Townships Association, IT Zone, Washtenaw County Intermediate School District, Washtenaw County Road Commission, State of Michigan, City of Ann Arbor, Merit, Internet2, University of Michigan Hospital and two citizen appointments; and

WHEREAS, the committee will meet on a quarterly basis and will oversee the project for one (1) year; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby creates the Wireless Washtenaw Advisory Committee for the purpose of overseeing and providing guidance to the Wireless Washtenaw project, serving as the project Board of Directors and making recommendations on important project milestones to the Board of Commissioners

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners hereby establishes the following representation to serve for a term of one year expiring on December 31, 2006 and appoint members as recommended by the County Administrator:

Representing:

University of Michigan
Eastern Michigan University
Washtenaw County Administration
Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners
IT Zone
Washtenaw County Intermediate School District
Washtenaw County Road Commission
State of Michigan
City of Ann Arbor
Internet2
Merit
Michigan Townships Association
University of Michigan Hospital
General Public
General Public

Member

James Hilton
Margaret Cline
Robert Guenzel
Wes Prater
Ken Nesbitt
Bill Miller
Steve Puuri
Terri Takai
John Heiftje
Doug Van Houweling
Mike McPherson
Pat Kelley
Joe Kryza
Ed Shaffran
Jeff Rinvelt