

## **RESOLUTION NO. 3573-2012**

### **RESOLUTION OF THE FORT BRAGG CITY COUNCIL ENDORSING THE BROADBAND ALLIANCE OF MENDOCINO COUNTY (BAMC) IN ITS EFFORTS TO SEEK GRANT FUNDING TO DEPLOY BROADBAND IN THE CITY OF FORT BRAGG AND MENDOCINO COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, the mission of the Broadband Alliance of Mendocino County (BAMC) is to ensure that Mendocino County's population has affordable universal broadband access in their homes, businesses, and transportation to support economic viability, ensure health and safety, and access educational opportunities; and

**WHEREAS**, the BAMC is a model of innovation and regional collaboration, showcasing community engagement, volunteerism, and advocacy in their efforts to better the lives of those living in rural communities through expansion of broadband infrastructure and utilization of broadband technology; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fort Bragg ("City") is committed to working with the BAMC to support universal right to service so that every person in Mendocino County and the City has affordable broadband access in their homes and businesses; and to pursue opportunities to bring greater broadband access to all areas of Mendocino County through collaborative projects, legislative advocacy, and promotion; and

**WHEREAS**, the grant applications submitted to many grantors require endorsements from regional government entities to demonstrate substantial support for the BAMC's action plan and activities to bring affordable broadband access to Mendocino County and the City.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg does hereby:

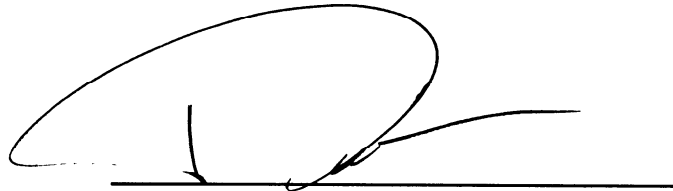
1. Strongly support and endorse the BAMC in its efforts to bring affordable broadband access to the City; and
2. Strongly endorse the BAMC to lead Mendocino County's effort to eliminate unserved and underserved areas of the Mendocino County and the City, and to improve acceptance of broadband technology throughout the county; and
3. Strongly endorse the BAMC's membership in the Redwood Coast Connect (RCC) consortium and agrees that the BAMC should represent the City in the RCC;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City of Fort Bragg will implicitly endorse grant applicants endorsed by BAMC for grant applications for planning and deployment of broadband access to the citizens of Mendocino County and the City of Fort Bragg submitted through September 30, 2013.

The above and foregoing Resolution was introduced by Councilmember Deitz, seconded by Councilmember Hammerstrom, and passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg held on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of October,


2012, by the following vote:

**AYES:** Councilmembers Courtney, Deitz, Gjerde, Hammerstrom, and Mayor  
Turner.  
**NOES:** None.  
**ABSENT:** None.  
**ABSTAIN:** None.

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large loop and a trailing line, positioned above a horizontal line.

**DAVE TURNER,**  
Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
Cynthia M. VanWormer, CMC  
City Clerk