

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL APPOINTING NETWORK ENGINEER JAMES STRATHDEE AS REPLACEMENT TO DEPUTY CITY ADMINISTRATOR ANDREW NELSON TO SERVE AS THE CITY'S ALTERNATE REGIONAL BROADBAND INITIATIVE BOARD MEMBER

WHEREAS, the City of Republic, Missouri, ("City" or "Republic") is a municipal corporation and Charter City located in Greene County, Missouri, being duly created, organized, and existing under the laws of the State of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, in Resolution No. 22-R-17, the City Council authorized the City Administrator to execute a cost share agreement with Christian County, Nixa, Ozark, Strafford, Willard and Greene County (together with the City, "the Participants") to identify a qualified consultant to conduct a broadband feasibility study for the purpose of bringing high-speed broadband internet services to the City (and surrounding areas) ("the Feasibility Study"); and

WHEREAS, In Ordinance No. 22-22, the City Council authorized the City Administrator to execute a Regional Broadband Initiative Participation Agreement with City Utilities of Springfield ("CU") and the Participants, pursuant to which the Participants would combine their efforts through a Regional Broadband Initiative Board ("RBI Board"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article II Paragraph A of the RBI Board's Bylaws, each of the Participants is required to appoint one (1) primary member and one (1) alternate member to the RBI Board; and

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2022, via Resolution 22-R-32, City Administrator David Cameron was appointed to serve as the City's Primary RBI Board Member and BUILDS Department Administrator (now Deputy City Administrator) Andrew Nelson was appointed to serve as the City's Alternate RBI Board Member; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the RBI Board's Bylaws, the City's primary and alternate RBI Board members will serve until such time as they are replaced by the City with consent of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, as the RBI Board's work progresses, the City believes it would be beneficial for a City employee with specialized knowledge and expertise in the highly technical subject area of regional broadband services to serve as one of the City's RBI Board members; and

WHEREAS, Network Engineer James Strathdee has extensive knowledge and expertise in broadband internet services and would be an ideal candidate to serve as the City's Alternate RBI Board Member, with City Administrator David Cameron to continue his service as the City's Primary RBI Board Member.

WHEREAS, Mr. Strathdee will replace Deputy City Administrator Andrew Nelson in this appointment as the new Alternate RBI Board Member for the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REPUBLIC, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. Network Engineer James Strathdee is hereby appointed to serve as the City's Alternate RBI Board Member, with City Administrator David Cameron to continue his service as the City's Primary RBI Board Member.

Section 2. With the appointment of Mr. Strathdee, Deputy City Administrator Andrew Nelson is hereby relieved of his duties as Alternate RBI Board Member for the City.

Section 3. The City Administrator, or his designee, on behalf of the City, is authorized to take all other reasonably necessary steps to implement this Resolution.

Section 4. The WHEREAS clauses are hereby specifically incorporated herein by reference.

Section 5. This Resolution shall become effective on and after the date of passage and approval as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Republic, Missouri, this _____ day of _____, 2023.

Matt Russell, Mayor

Attest:

Laura Burbridge, City Clerk

Approved as to Form:



Megan McCullough, City Attorney

Final Passage and Vote: