

RESOLUTION 2020-15

CITY OF GORDON, NEBRASKA

WHEREAS, State of Nebraska Governor Ricketts and the State of Nebraska Department of Economic Development have announced creation of a Nebraska Broadband Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, high-speed broadband access to the Internet is essential to the well-being of all residents and businesses in the City of Gordon, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Great Plains Communications has provided high-quality telecommunications and Internet services to the City of Gordon for many years; and

WHEREAS, Great Plains Communications and the City of Gordon have agreed that an application by Great Plains Communications for Nebraska Broadband Grant Program funding is essential to the public interest and welfare of residents and businesses in the City of Gordon; and;

WHEREAS, the City of Gordon meets the requirements and needs established by the State of Nebraska Department of Economic Development to qualify as an eligible community for Nebraska Broadband Grant Program funding; and

WHEREAS, Great Plains Communications and its personnel have demonstrated they have the expertise and resources to construct and operate an all-fiber network in the timeframes required by the State, and to provide affordable and high-quality broadband and voice services to all citizens in the City of Gordon.

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Gordon agrees to partner with Great Plains Communications as the Company deploys an all-fiber network throughout the community upon approval by the Nebraska Department of Economic Development for a Nebraska Broadband Grant Program grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Gordon strongly supports Great Plains Communications' application for a Nebraska Broadband Grant Program grant administered by the State of Nebraska Department of Economic Development and urges the application be approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that notice of this resolution will be sent to Governor Ricketts and Nebraska Department of Economic Development officials.

Passed and approved this 26<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020.

/s/ Nancy I Russell

Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Kim Buchan

City Clerk