

**RESOLUTION 2015-03-02**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE DOWNTOWN INVESTMENT AUTHORITY ALLOCATING EIGHTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$80,000.00) FROM THE DOWNTOWN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND FOR A PUBLIC WI-FI DOWNTOWN PROGRAM IDENTIFIED IN THE NORTHBANK AND SOUTHSIDE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA (“CRA”) PLANS FOR DOWNTOWN JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA; AND AUTHORIZING THE CEO TO PROCURE, NEGOTIATE, AND EXECUTE CONTRACTS TO COMPLETE THE DOWNTOWN WI-FI PROGRAM.**

**WHEREAS**, the Downtown Investment Authority (“DIA”) has been designated by the City of Jacksonville as the Community Redevelopment Agency for community redevelopment areas within the boundaries of Downtown pursuant to Ordinance 2012-364-E, and further granted authorities via Ordinance 2014-0560; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance 2014-0560 appropriated \$2,595,723 from the Downtown Economic Development Fund to fund projects, programs, and activities identified within the Business Investment and Development Plan BID; and

**WHEREAS**, the implementation of a permanent Downtown Wi-Fi system is included as part of the BID; and

**WHEREAS**, Jacksonville desires to create a digitally connected Downtown in order to be competitive in attracting and retaining residences and business within Downtown.

**BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Downtown Investment Authority:

**Section 1.** The DIA finds that the recitals set forth above are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

**Section 2.** The DIA appropriates eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000.00) for public Wi-Fi.

**Section 3.** The DIA authorizes the CEO to procure the products and services needed to complete the project, in accordance with the City of Jacksonville Procurement Code, Chapter 126 Jacksonville Ordinance Code; and to execute and negotiate all contracts, agreements, and other documents needed to complete the Downtown Wi-Fi Program.

**Section 4.** This resolution shall become effective upon its approval by the DIA this 25<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2015.

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WITNESS:

Karen Underwong

Downtown Investment Authority

Oliver Barakat

Oliver Barakat, Chairman

VOTE: In Favor: 7 Opposed: 0 Abstained: