

RESOLUTION NO. 22-256

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA AUTHORIZING A JOINT APPLICATION TO THE IOWA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BY THE CITY OF COUNCIL BLUFFS AND GOOGLE LLC FOR BENEFITS UNDER THE HIGH-QUALITY JOBS PROGRAM.

- WHEREAS,** Google LLC has been a valued business in Council Bluffs since 2009; and
- WHEREAS,** Google LLC is considering expanding their operations located at 10420 Bunge Avenue for the purpose of growing their data center footprint in Council Bluffs, Iowa; and
- WHEREAS,** Google LLC will retain all of their existing employees in Council Bluffs and create an additional 31 new full-time positions; and
- WHEREAS,** the minimum investment by Google LLC is \$600 million; and
- WHEREAS,** Google LLC's High-Quality Jobs application to Iowa Economic Development Authority requests investment tax credits and a local property tax abatement; and
- WHEREAS,** it is in the opinion of the City Council that it would be in the best interest of the City of Council Bluffs to support the High-Quality Jobs application of Google LLC to the Iowa Economic Development Authority and to enter into agreements relating to this project; and
- WHEREAS,** this includes a local commitment of a property tax abatement on a sliding scale of 80% down to 45% over the course of twenty years at an estimated benefit of \$16,600,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA

- Section 1.0** That the City declares Google LLC is an eligible business for the High-Quality Jobs Program.
- Section 2.0** The City Council approves and supports Google LLC's requests for state assistance through the High-Quality Jobs Program including the abatement of local property taxes for qualifying components of the project.
- Section 3.0** That the City shall provide a copy of this resolution to the Iowa Economic Development Authority and shall file this resolution with the Pottawattamie County Recorder.
- Section 4.0** The Mayor is hereby authorized to take such further actions as are deemed necessary in order to carry into effect the provisions of this resolution including the signing of certain agreements relating to the project.
- Section 5.0** The provisions of this resolution shall be governed by the laws of the State of Iowa.

- Section 6.0** That all resolutions and parts thereof in conflict therewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.
- Section 7.0** That the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared to be separable and if any section, phrase, or provision shall for any reason be declared to be invalid, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remainder of the sections, phrases and provisions hereof.
- Section 8.0** That the approval of the High-Quality Jobs Program benefits is contingent upon the company meeting all applicable City codes and ordinances.
- Section 9.0** That this resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage and approval.

ADOPTED
AND
APPROVED:

October 10, 2022

Matthew J. Walsh Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Allison Head Deputy City Clerk