

RESOLUTION NO. 39-1996

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS,
ESTABLISHING A TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE;

WHEREAS, the Mayor's Task Force has collected the visions that
the people of Abilene have for the technological future; and,

WHEREAS, the Task Force has recommended the creation of a
Technology Committee to guide and direct the City of Abilene in
franchise and technology issues; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS:

PART 1: That the City Council of the City of Abilene, Texas,
hereby establishes a Technology Committee.

The Committee shall be composed of 12 Members.
The members shall be appointed for 3, 2, and 1 year terms so that
the Board Members will have staggered terms.

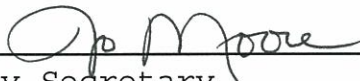
PART 2: That the Committee shall carry out the tasks
delegated it by the City Council and the recommendations made by
the Mayor's Task Force per attached Exhibit "A".

PART 3: That this resolution shall take effect immediately
from and after its passage.

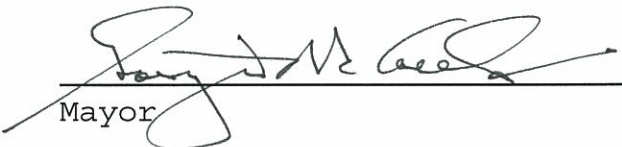
ADOPTED this 24th day of October, 1996.

PASSED ON this 24 day of October, 1996.

ATTEST:

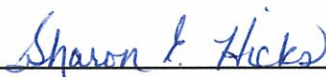


City Secretary



Mayor

APPROVED:



City Attorney

EXHIBIT "A"

Recommendation

Establish Technology Committee by Ordinance

Objectives of Technology Committee

1. Guide and direct the City on ways to accomplish universal access, franchise negotiations, as well as any other technology issues.
2. Research alternative technology issues, developments on the Texas Public Utilities Act of 1995 and technology successes of other communities.
3. Provide and promote technology which educate the public.
4. Engage contractor to survey Abilene's demand and desire for technology and to quantify Abilene's economic base line.
5. Utilize survey for development of universal access as well as a base line for the technology incubator.
6. Establish and maintain a strategic technology plan. Engage technical expert to help as needed for specifications.
7. Coordinate with the Business Innovation Center or merge the Boards so that objectives of the present Innovation Center and Technology Incubator are accomplished.
8. Consult with the Business Innovation Center Board to hire a manager with technology background. This position will:
 - A. Fill present Innovation Center duties
 - B. Coordinate with IC²
 - C. Be a part-time staff person for Technology Committee
 - D. Be the liaison between Incubator, City, Universities, and Technology Committee
9. Coordinate alliance with IC² and local Universities.
10. Committee could be restructured in the future as a regional committee (ARAN) Abilene Rural Area Network where it could issue bonds and build infrastructure.