The West Hills Neighborhood Council, <u>http://www.westhillsnc.org/</u>, at its monthly board meeting on April 1, 2014 unanimously voted 24-0 FOR the following resolution in support of <u>Council File 13-0953</u>.

Los Angeles Community Broadband Network Resolution

Whereas Internet connectivity is equivalent in the current century to the building of the railroad, the electrification of the cities and the stringing of telephone wire in prior centuries; and...

Whereas Internet connectivity is a fundamental community tool, indispensable for contemporary viability and the interactive exchange of ideas; and...

Whereas high-speed Internet access provides for economic development, social interaction, cultural innovation and greater political transparency; and...

Whereas free expression, innovation, economic opportunity and the open flow of information will be essential elements of Los Angeles' global future;

Therefore be it resolved that the West Hills Neighborhood Council supports development of the Los Angeles Community Broadband Network in order to establish Internet service as a common carrier, equally accessible as a public resource to all stakeholders in our city.

Eric Augusztiny / Board Member West Hills Neighborhood Council