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Grand Rapids, Michigan



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- Why WiMAX technology
- The importance of a sustainable business model
- The benefits of wireless broadband
- Getting Started
- Reducing the digital divide
- Facilitation of timely deployment
- Going mobile with city functions



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How we got started

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“This project is extremely important, but it has no budget, no guidelines, no support staff and it’s due tomorrow morning. At last, here’s your chance to really impress everyone!”



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Getting Started



Grand Rapids Mayor George K. Heartwell outlined his vision for bringing wireless broadband to our community.



City Manager Kurt Kimball assigned a team to research wireless technology, best practices, funding models, and applications.



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Grand Rapids Goals for Wireless

1. Public Safety
2. Economic Development
3. Digital Inclusion
4. Improved City Services
5. Service for visitors and residents
6. Attract and retain young professionals
7. No burden on taxpayers

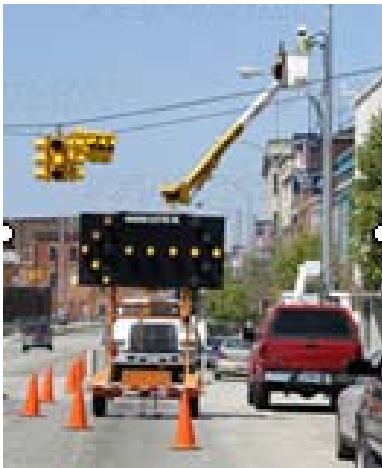




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Grand Rapids Primary Applications



- Field reporting
- Intranet and Internet database access
- E-mail connectivity
- Video surveillance
- Digital photos
- Work order management





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Due Diligence Site Visits - August 2006



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Public –Private Partnership = Many Firsts

- First partnership of this type between Clearwire and a municipality.
- First large-scale, **municipal** mobile WIMAX deployment.
- First WIMAX / WiFi hybrid network deployment
- First truly cost-neutral arrangement



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New Information

Clearwire Reports Second Quarter 2007 Results 8/07

Clearwire & Sprint WiMAX Partnership 7/07

Laptop Card to be Offered by Clearwire

Project Background

Goals of the Project

Wireless Project History

Wireless Grand Rapids News

Summary of Network Requirements

Bid Award News Release

City Commission Agenda Item

Power Point Presentations

Wireless Broadband Request for Proposals

A Letter from Mayor Heartwell

Grand Rapids Partners with Clearwire to Provide Mobile WiMAX Wireless Broadband

The City expects Clearwire WiMAX service will be available throughout the city by the end of 2007.

Clearwire has been working aggressively to build a world-class mobile WiMAX network covering the Grand Rapids area.

Clearwire has agreed to offer discounted service to low income residents who qualify.

Clearwire will also provide numerous free wifi hotspots throughout the city and discounted service for many low income residents.

For more information:

- [WiMAX Project Update](#)
- [About WiMAX Technology](#)
- [Discounted Service for Low Income Residents](#)
- [Contract Summary](#)
- [Clearwire Company](#)
- [GR Wireless News](#)

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