

RESOLUTION No.

OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT 1 TO THE GRANT AWARD AGREEMENT FOR LAST-MILE BROADBAND GRANT PROGRAM WITH AT&T FOR THE WOLF/HIGGINS CORNER PROJECT TO UPDATE EXHIBIT B PAYMENT SCHEDULE AND AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION AND GENERAL SERVICES OR DESIGNEE TO SIGN THE AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors made Broadband a continued Board Objective for 2024 through Resolution 24-073 on February 20, 2024 stating: "Equitably expand broadband to support economic development; distance-learning telework, telemedicine, and general quality of life for all residents by championing the implementation of Nevada County Broadband Strategy Plan policies and last-mile infrastructure projects;" and

WHEREAS, the Board originally established the "Last-Mile Broadband Grant Program" in 2019 through Resolution 19-429 authorizing Sierra Business Council to assist with the solicitation, facilitation and administration of the Last-mile Broadband Grant Pilot Program with the goal of expediting access to the internet for all residents; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Last Mile Broadband Grant Program the Board awarded \$177,109 round one through Resolutions 20-147 and 20-148 and \$500,000 round two through Resolutions 21-141, for a total Board awarded amounts in rounds one and two of \$677,109; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada County Board of Supervisors, at the January 2024, Board Workshop, received a presentation regarding the final funding round of \$1,000,000 of the Last-Mile Broadband Grants Program; and

WHEREAS, the County's Broadband Work Group, working with the Sierra Business Council, sought applications from internet service providers (ISP) assigned to the County's Qualified List; and

WHEREAS, the Sierra Business Council and County staff conducted a competitive application process and identified two firms and four projects for recommendation to the Board of Supervisors for final approval and award; and

WHEREAS, on February 11, 2025 the Board of Supervisors approved Resolution 25-063 awarding three Last-Mile Broadband Grants; and

WHEREAS, during the kickoff meeting for the AT&T- Wolf/Higgins Corner Grant Project it was identified that the estimated timeline in Exhibit B needed to be updated.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors approves Amendment 1 updating Exhibit B to the Fiscal Year 2024-25 Grant Agreement with AT&T [Wolf/Higgins Corner] and authorizes the Director of Information and General Services, or designee, to sign the amendment.

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