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**NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
Board Agenda Memo**

MEETING DATE: May 27, 2025

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Craig Griesbach, Director of Information and General Services

SUBJECT: 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

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Resolution

FUNDING: The Board of Supervisors approved Resolution 25-063 on February 11, 2025 awarding a grant amount of \$400,000 to AT&T for the Wolf/Higgins Corner Project. This Amendment 1 does not change the amount of funding. There is no budget amendment needed and no further impact on the General Fund.

BACKGROUND: Expediting access to the internet for all residents continues to be a goal of the County's "Last-Mile Broadband Grant Program." The Board established the program in 2019 with Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) dollars intended to promote economic development. In 2020, the Board awarded \$177,109, in the grant's initial round, and \$500,000 in 2022 for the second round of funding. In 2024, the Board approved a final funding round of \$1,000,000. With this direction the Information and General Services Agency in coordination with the Sierra Business Council utilized a Qualified List to award broadband grants.

On February 11, 2025, the Board of Supervisors awarded three Last-Mile Broadband Grants through Resolution 25-063. The AT&T Wolf/Higgins Corner Project was awarded in the amount of \$400,000 with an Internet Service Provider Match of \$557,949 for a total project cost of \$957,949 resulting in 248 connections. During our kickoff meeting with AT&T it was identified that the submitted timeline in the proposal and adopted by Resolution 25-063 needed to be updated. In coordination with AT&T Exhibit B Payment Schedule has been updated to reflect the updated estimated timeline for the payment schedule. This updated payment schedule is within the previously approved 36-month timeframe and is an estimate. The project phases may move faster or slower but is planned to be completed within the original timeframe. This Resolution approved Amendment 1 to the Grant Agreement replacing Exhibit B reflecting the updated payment schedule.

Item Initiated by: Elise Strickler, Chief Fiscal Administrative Officer

Approved by: Craig Griesbach, Director of Information and General Services