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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: April 28, 2020

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Steve Monaghan, Chief Information Officer

SUBJECT: Resolution approving execution of a Grant Agreement with the Nevada County Fiber, Inc. for the Banner Mountain South/Deer Creek Project as a part of the Nevada County Last-Mile Broadband Grant Program FY 19/20 in the maximum amount of \$124,209 for the term of April 28, 2020 through April 28, 2022

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt the attached Resolution.

FUNDING: Information General Services Administration FY2019/20 Budget shall be used to fund Grant Agreement with Nevada County Fiber, Inc. in the maximum amount of \$124,209. No budget amendment is required and there is no further impact on the General Fund.

BACKGROUND:

On July 23, 2019 the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution 19-429 approving and authorizing the execution of a personal services contract with Sierra Business Council (SBC) for the solicitation, facilitation and administration of a Nevada County Last-Mile Broadband Grant Pilot Program in the amount of \$25,000 and approving a budget amendment to the Information General Services Administration 2019/20 budget for a total grant allocation of \$225,000 for the first round of the grant. On February 25, 2020 SBC presented to the Nevada County Board of Supervisors its recommendation awarding two of the three Broadband Grant applications for FY2019/20 to Exwire, Inc. and Nevada County Fiber in the amount of \$52,900 and \$124,209, respectively. Subsequently the Board of Supervisors accepted SBC's presentation and directed staff to develop Grant Agreements with Exwire, Inc. and Nevada County Fiber in the maximum amount of \$52,900 and \$124,209, respectively.

Nevada County Fiber, Inc.'s Banner Mountain South/Deer Creek Project will provide fixed underground fiber optic internet service to 16 households/businesses in an underserved community in the Banner Mountain area by deploying underground fiber optic broadband in the proposed access site to each subscriber.

Therefore, Staff recommends the Board adopt the attached Resolution approving execution of a Grant Agreement with the Nevada County Fiber, Inc. for the

Banner Mountain South/Deer Creek Project as a part of the Nevada County Last-Mile Broadband Grant Program in the maximum amount of \$124,209 for FY2019/20.

Item Initiated by: Jeffrey Thorsby, Board of Supervisors Senior Management Analyst

Approved by: Steve Monaghan, Chief Information Officer