



# RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_

## OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF NEVADA

### RESOLUTION APPROVING A QUALIFIED LIST BASED ON THE COMPETITIVE REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS NO. 170098 FOR THE LAST MILE BROADBAND GRANT AND SUPPORT OPPORTUNITY

WHEREAS, the County desired to create a qualified list of internet services providers to expand broadband infrastructure and internet service in unincorporated, under-served priority areas throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent issued a RFQ 170098 for Last Mile Broad band Grant and Support Opportunity, seven statements of qualification were received, and a committee was selected to review the submissions of which six qualified firms were selected; and

WHEREAS, funding for these services will be paid from various secured grants and other County funded opportunities as the opportunities arise; and

WHEREAS, letters of support will be issued to the six qualified firms for non-county funded grant opportunities such as the the Federal Funding Account (FFA), California Advanced Services Fund (CASF), or Broadband, Equity, Access Deployment (BEAD) opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the aggregate award for any Last Mile Broadband Grant awards from the County of Nevada will not exceed \$1,000,000 annually for the period of January 23, 2024 through January 30, 2027.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Board of Supervisors, of the County of Nevada, State of California, hereby

1. Approves the following list of qualified internet service providers for a term of January 23, 2024 through January 30, 2027:
  - AT&T
  - Cal.Net
  - NevCo Fiber
  - Oasis Broadband
  - Race Communications
  - Smarter Broadband
2. Approves the issuance of letters of support for the above listed firms for non-county funded grant opportunities.
3. Authorizes the Purchasing Agent to solicit and award grants as funding opportunities arise through grants or funding awarded to the County of Nevada or other County funded Last Mile Broadband Grant projects arise and encumber the funds up to a maximum amount of \$300,000 per project and a total aggregate amount of \$1,000,000 annually. Larger project grant awards will be brought to the Board for approval.

4. Authorizes the Purchasing Agent to sign any Last Mile Broadband Grant awards to the selected firms through the solicitation of the qualified list and any amendments related to the grant award.

Funding:

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