COBURG CITY COUNCIL ACTION/ISSUE ITEM



TOPIC: Resolution 2023-02: Authorizing a Grant Proposal to Regional Fiber Consortium for Funding to Extend Fiber Line to the Sewer Plant, and North Coburg Road.

Meeting Date: February 14, 2023

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REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

Approval of Resolution 2023-02, a resolution authorizing the application to Regional Fiber Consortium for the purpose of extending fiber line to the Sewer Plant and North Coburg Road.

Suggested motion:

I move to approve Resolution 2023-02, a resolution authorizing a Grant Proposal to the Regional Fiber Consortium to Extend Fiber Line to the Sewer Plant, and North Coburg Road.

POLICIES OR CITY COUNCIL GOAL(S) ADDRESSED

Livability, Health, and Vitality Utilities and Infrastructure Economic Development

BACKGROUND

The City of Coburg is a member of the Regional Fiber Consortium, which makes the City eligible to apply for grant funds in order to address fiber related issues.

The City Sewer Plant and future Operations Center (summer of 2023) are not currently hooked up to high-speed service nor are they hooked up to the City network. This is important because the security systems for both monitoring, and for cyber security can be better monitored and managed by the City's IT service if it is connected to the City network. As attacks on infrastructure are a concern of all cities, it is in the City's work plan to increase the security and monitoring of all city utilities. Additionally, this allows for Public Works offices to be located at the new operations center and for connection to the City network along with all other City locations. Benefits include:

- Long term savings from vendors being able to manage SCADA remotely
- Remote Access to Sewer Plant operations

- Adding the City workstations would allow them to be included in the City network security system, and thereby making it a more secure environment.
- Accessing City File Shares for saving critical documentation that is backed up offsite.

DFN has provided the City with a budget as well as a plan for running the fiber to the plant, which includes passing through City owned property at the end of Coburg Industrial Way.

BUDGET

The total project budget is for \$27,647. Coburg is requesting \$25,000 with a match of\$2,647. The City Council set aside ARPA funds to fund broadband activities that will more than cover the match.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

N/A, Expansion of broadband is within the Council Goals and the City work plan

NEXT STEPS

If the grant were received, then the work would start soon after. The grant is meant to be utilized in a very short time

ATTACHMENTS

- A. Resolution 2023-02, a resolution authorizing grant proposal to the Regional Fiber Consortium.
- B. Grant Proposal
- C. Coburg Waste Water Plant Staking Sheet

REVIEWED BY:

Anne Heath, City Administrator

ATTACHMENT A

RESOLUTION 2023-03

A Resolution Authorizing Grant Proposal to the Regional Fiber Consortium for extending fiber line to the Sewer Plant and North Coburg Road.

WHEREAS, the Regional Fiber Consortium is accepting proposals for grant funds for fiber related projects.

WHEREAS, the City of Coburg desires to participate in this grant program to the greatest extent possible as a means extending fiber to the Sewer Plant

WHEREAS, City Council has identified Livability, Health, and Utilities and Infrastructure; and Economic Development as a goal for 2023; and

WHEREAS, grant funds will promote provide the ability for the Sewer Plant and future operations building to receive high speed service in order to hook up to the City Network, enhance security measures, and enable higher quality remote access while also extending the fiber to North Coburg Road.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Coburg

- 1. The City Council demonstrates its support for the submittal of a grant proposal to the Regional Fiber Consortium.
 - 2. The City Council authorizes the City Administrator to submit the proposal.
 - 3. This Resolution shall be effective following its adoption by the Coburg City Council.

Adopted by the **City Council** of the **City of Coburg**, Oregon, by a vote of __ for and __ against, this 14th day of February 2023.

	Nancy Bell, Mayor	
ATTEST:		
Sammy L. Egbert, City Recorder		