COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM Meeting Date: 09/14/2022

SUBMITTED BY: Luis Pedroza, Deputy City Manager/City Treasurer

MANAGEMENT TEAM REVIEW: Ana Urquijo, City Manager

FOCUS AREA: Advanced Infrastructure Development and Improvement

ORGANIZATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS:

Improved technology capabilities

SUBJECT:

CONTRACT AWARD to NATIVE NETWORK, Inc for BROADBAND

NETWORK & TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLAN.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

With direction from Mayor and Council from the Council retreat on 1/25/22, City of Douglas staff was tasked to seek a consultant/contractor (CC) to develop a telecommunications plan to enhance and expand current telecommunications services for the City and partner organizations.

BACKGROUND:

Native Network has provided the attached proposal that includes a broadband feasibility plan that will not conflict with other regional broadband studies currently being conducted by the County. The proposal is for planning and development that includes network options based on the established needs and financial analysis that will help provide options on types of access and pricing options. Specifically, this proposal will include a) Identification of the current network capabilities; b) develop a design for technology roadmap; c) governance, ownership and management strategy analysis' d) Create a business model and financial analysis; e) create a phased implementation plan for technology roadmap for deployment and f) technology roadmap compilation.

DISCUSSION:

Staff recommends awarding the contract in the amount of \$255,000 to Native Network, Inc. for Broadband Network and Telecommunications Study services. Native Network provides an end-to-end solution with specialty knowledge in Smart City Technology. Native Network was the sole bidder for this request for proposals. This expense is an ARPA funded budgeted expense in the FY 22-23 budget.

FISCAL IMPACT:

\$255,000 from ARPA funding

Fiscal Year: 2022/2023 Amount Requested: \$255,000 Budgeted: Y / N

Account (s): 103-5181-469815

"...I MOVE THAT THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONTRACT AWARD TO NATIVE NETWORK INC., FOR BROADBAND NETWORK & TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLAN."