

Staff Report

Subject: Acceptance of proposal for A/V Upgrades to the Courtroom at the Historic Courthouse utilizing ARPA Fuds through the Ogeechee Circuit

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Item Description: A/V Upgrades to the Courtroom at the Historic Courthouse utilizing ARPA Fuds through the Ogeechee Circuit

Summary Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of the proposal for A/V Upgrades to the Courtroom at the Historic Courthouse utilizing ARPA Fuds through the Ogeechee Circuit

Executive Summary/Background:

- The CY23 Cycle 2 ARPA grant provided \$406,186.00 to implement A/V upgrades in courtrooms throughout the four counties of the Ogeechee Circuit. Effingham was only awarded funds to provide a mobile A/V system to be used in the historic courtroom. They did request that we be able to utilize the funding as a reimbursement to the current upgrades being completed at the Judicial Complex, but that was denied.
- The BisDigital quote was obtained by the Ogeechee Circuit and has been reviewed/approved by their staff and ARPA committee.
- Effingham County has the option to enter into a yearly service agreement with BisDigital, but the recommendation is to pay for service if/when needed.

Alternatives for Commission to Consider

1. Acceptance of proposal for A/V Upgrades to the Courtroom at the Historic Courthouse utilizing ARPA Fuds through the Ogeechee Circuit, \$94,750.00
2. Take no action.

Recommended Alternative: 1

Other Alternatives: 2

Department Review: Finance, Purchasing, County Manager, Ogeechee Judicial Circuit

Funding Source: ARPA Funds through the Ogeechee Judicial Circuit

Attachments:

1. BisDigital Proposal
2. ARPA Grant Information