



Town of Johnstown

TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA COMMUNICATIONS WORK SESSION

AGENDA DATE: January 11, 2021

SUBJECT: Broadband RFP

ATTACHMENTS: None

PRESENTED BY: Matt LeCerf, Town Manager

WORK SESSION OVERVIEW:

One of the many items in the FY 2021 budget is the inclusion of a study to perform a financial feasibility and market analysis study for broadband in the Town of Johnstown. The scope is expected to include both a municipal and public-private partnership evaluation. Recently I requested RFP examples from the Manager's List Serve through CML. The responses I received were positive, but also included an inquiry from a neighboring community. The inquiry from the neighboring community has resulted in a conversation with a number of the neighboring communities about a regional study that would also include municipal specific components.

Complimenting this, I have also had the opportunity to discuss our project with DOLA and they appear supportive of this approach and if funding is available it may receive favorable consideration for a grant that could help cover 25% of the total RFP cost. This very brief discussion with Council is to ensure that a collaborative approach with our neighboring communities would be welcomed as part of a broader study prior to the release of the RFP. The release of the RFP is expected sometime in February 2021.

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