



MEETING DATE: January 13, 2026
PRESENTED BY: Michael Elizalde, Director of Grants & Strategic Development
AGENDA ITEM: Authorization to submit program application for the FY26 E-Rate administered by the Universal Service Administrative Co. for Telecommunications, Internet Access and Internal Connections- Elizalde

NATURE OF REQUEST:

The City of Mission Speer Memorial Library is seeking authorization to submit program application for the FY26 E-rate program administered by the Universal Service Administrative Co. for Telecommunications, Internet Access and Internal Connections and to solicit RFP as required by the program. The E-Rate program supports school and libraries across the U.S. and ensures that they are connected to information and resources through the internet. The city will seek Category 1 services pertaining to data transmissions services and Internet access and Category 2 pertaining to internal connections, managed internal broadband services, and basic maintenance of internal connections.

-Services will include but not limited to Direct Internet, P2P fiber, Firewall and UPS's.

-Category 1 90% Discount Rate on Eligible Items (No RFP required and no set budget or cap for individual schools/libraries, but rather funding is demand-driven up to the FCC's overall program cap (around \$4 billion annually)

-Category 2 85% Discount Rate on Eligible Items with available secured funds of up to \$264,766.80 to be used FY 2026-2030 (RFP required)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Approval

Departmental Approval: Finance

Advisory Board Recommendation: N/A

City Manager's Recommendation: Approval *AG*

RECORD OF VOTE:	APPROVED:	_____
	DISAPPROVED:	_____
	TABLED:	_____

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