

RESOLUTION NO. RES-21-0061

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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS, AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO, WITH THE BROADBAND GROUP, WITHOUT ADVERTISING FOR BIDS, TO SUPPORT THE PREPARATION OF CITY'S CITYWIDE FIBER NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURE INITIATIVE THROUGH FIBER FIELD AUDITS, ENGINEERING PLANS, AND CONSTRUCTION BID PREPARATIONS FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,152,000 FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR, WITH THE OPTION TO RENEW FOR TWO ADDITIONAL ONE-YEAR PERIODS; AND, FOR ONGOING EXPERT SUPPORT TO FURTHER PRODUCE AND REVISE THE CITYWIDE FIBER NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURE INITIATIVE IN AN ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$200,000, FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR, WITH THE OPTION TO RENEW FOR FOUR ADDITIONAL ONE-YEAR PERIODS

WHEREAS, in November 2017, the Technology and Innovation (TI) Department submitted a memorandum to City Council providing a high-level assessment and recommendation to implement a Citywide fiber network to interconnect City buildings and establish a Citywide fiber backbone; and

WHEREAS, in December 2017, TI and the Financial Management Department presented to City Council the City's critical technology infrastructure needs, which included the recommendation to implement a Citywide fiber network; and

1 WHEREAS, on June 12, 2018, City Council adopted Specifications RFP
2 No. TI16-072 and awarded a contract to The Broadband Group (TBG) for the
3 development of the Citywide Fiber Optic Plan, including but not limited to, creating a
4 comprehensive plan, coordination with Service Providers, and creation of an accurate
5 phased implementation timeline; and

6 WHEREAS, TBG was selected as the most qualified firm to provide
7 services based on their demonstrated competence in performing fiber installations of
8 similar or larger scale and scope and submitted project management documents; and

9 WHEREAS, upon awarding RFP No. T16-072 and throughout 2019, City
10 staff directed TBG to aid in the completion of the Civic Center Fiber Loop construction
11 and migration in order to provide fiber infrastructure to the new City Hall, Main Library,
12 and Port Headquarters. While the Citywide Fiber Network Infrastructure Initiative was
13 anticipated to be a top priority project in 2020, TI quickly shifted its priorities and
14 resources to COVID-19 pandemic response. Accordingly, project timelines were paused
15 while the City focused on pandemic activities; and

16 WHEREAS, TBG assisted with evaluating the most efficient implementation
17 approaches for fiber network construction, including coordinating plans with City
18 departments and utilities, supporting Dig Once planning efforts, and soliciting and
19 assessing opportunities for public-private partnerships; and

20 WHEREAS, TBG will also provide fiber network technical coordination in
21 relation to the intersection of the Citywide Fiber Network Infrastructure Initiative with other
22 City initiatives such as digital inclusion, small cells, Dig Once, and Smart Cities; and

23 WHEREAS, the contracts with TBG are needed to complete the Citywide
24 Fiber Optic Plan and ensure continued assistance in establishing a comprehensive
25 technology and engineering consultation process for fiber-related planning and
26 coordination initiatives related to the preparation of the Citywide Fiber Network
27 Infrastructure Initiative; and

28 WHEREAS, TBG has unparalleled knowledge and expertise relative to

1 City's infrastructure, utilities, public safety, policies and procedures and the Citywide
2 Fiber Network Infrastructure Initiative. A competitive procurement process for these
3 services is not feasible, because the Citywide Fiber Network Infrastructure Initiative is
4 near completion and the contemplated support City seeks from TBG builds upon prior
5 work and expertise developed by TBG and as such, no useful purpose would be served
6 by advertising for bids and to do so would constitute an idle and useless act and an
7 unnecessary expenditure of public funds;

8 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as
9 follows:

10 Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated
11 herein.

12 Section 2. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute contracts,
13 and any amendments thereto, with The Broadband Group, to support the preparation of
14 City's Citywide Fiber Network Infrastructure Initiative through fiber field audits,
15 engineering plans, and construction bid preparations in a total amount of Nine Hundred
16 Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$960,000), with a twenty percent (20%) contingency in the
17 amount of One Hundred Ninety-Two Thousand Dollars (\$192,000), for a total contract
18 amount not to exceed One Million One Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand Dollars
19 (\$1,152,000), for a period of one (1) year with the option to renew for two (2) additional
20 one-year periods at the discretion of the City Manager; and, for ongoing expert
21 consultation support to further produce and revise the Citywide Fiber Network
22 Infrastructure Initiative, in an annual amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars
23 (\$200,000) for a period of one (1) year, with the option to renew for four (4) additional
24 one-year periods, at the discretion of the City Manager.

25 Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption
26 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of June 15, 2021 by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Zendejas, Allen, Supernaw, Mungo, Saro, Uranga, Austin, Richardson.

Noes: Councilmembers: None.

Absent: Councilmembers: Price.

Recusal(s): Councilmembers: None.



City Clerk

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