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City Manager's Report
January 23, 2025 Special City Council Meeting
Prepared by: Cleve Morris, City Manager
Item #: 6.2

Subject: Review and Discuss Options for Funding of the Citywide Broadband Fiber Program

Recommendation: Review and discussion only.

Purpose: To review options for funding the remaining Broadband Project not funded through the Grant.

Strategic Plan Strategy:

2) Strategy – Broadband

- c. Establish and expand Broadband to all businesses, services, and residents to support a localized live/work environment within the City.

Background:

Last year the City was awarded a grant to implement our Broadband program in the amount of \$17,000,000 with an additional \$3,000,000 contingency. An agreement was entered into with Entrypoint as our consultant to oversee implementation of the project. It is the goal of the City to implement the project City-wide, rather than just the unserved population that was funded through the grant. Although the grant only pays for the unserved, it is important to note that the funding will also pay for a significant portion of the backbone infrastructure that will serve the entire City.

Discussion:

Senior Management Analyst Steve McCargar will present the options and lead the discussion.

Options: See attached

Environmental:

Environmental Analysis for this project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) has been completed.

Cost: See attached.

Budget Impact: None at this time.



M. Cleve Morris, City Manager

Attachments:

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a. *Presentation*