

RESOLUTION

NO: 2022-09-135

LIVINGSTON COUNTY

DATE: September 12, 2022

Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with Merit Networks of Ann Arbor, Michigan and Triple R Consulting of South Lyon, Michigan to Perform Fiber Optic Planning and Consulting Services – Information Technology

- WHEREAS,** Livingston County has a need for fiber optic cable and network planning and consulting services for a public safety, educational and municipal open access middle mile fiber optic cable network in Livingston County; and
- WHEREAS,** Livingston County currently has no internal staff with the expertise in planning, RFP creation, Pre engineering, scoping and e-rate planning; and
- WHEREAS,** there is a need for fiber optic planning and consulting services within Livingston County for the afore mentioned fiber optic system; and
- WHEREAS,** in accordance with the County's Procurement policy, a sole source award is being requested based on a proposal obtained from the current Livingston County technology partner Merit Networks of Ann Arbor, Michigan and Triple R Consulting of South Lyon, Michigan; and
- WHEREAS,** a sole source for this service is determined based on the professional expertise and the companies' knowledge of Livingston County's needs; and
- WHEREAS,** Merit Networks has submitted a not to exceed \$125,000 proposal that will provide Statement of Work for network planning consultation in Livingston County; and
- WHEREAS,** Triple R consulting has submitted a not to exceed \$25,000 proposal that will provide Statement of Work for network planning consultation in Livingston County; and
- WHEREAS,** the project is expected to be completed before the end of 2023; and
- WHEREAS,** funding for the project is available through the American Recovery Plan Act dollars the County has received.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Livingston County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes entering into sole source agreements with Merit Networks in an amount not to exceed \$125,000 and Triple R Consulting in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for fiber optic cable and network planning and consulting services and authorizes the use of American Recovery Plan Act funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Livingston County Board of Commissioners authorize any budget amendment needed to effectuate the above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Livingston County Board of Commissioners is authorized to sign all forms, assurances, contracts/agreements, renewals, and future amendments for monetary and contract language adjustments related to the above upon review and/or preparation of Civil Counsel.

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