CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
Council Bill 2024-278 First Amendment to Agreement for Consulting Services and Work Authorization 3 with Alvarez & Marsal Infrastructure and Capital Projects, LLP for professional administrative services for Phase 2 implementing broadband and connectivity solution for the City of Joplin with a not to exceed amount of $836,897 for the scope of work detailed in Work Authorization 3.

MEETING DATE
August 05, 2024

ORIGINATING DEPT
Planning, Development and Neighborhood Services

ATTACHMENTS
Council Bill 2024-278: First Amendment to Agreement for Consulting Services and Work Authorization number 3
2022-RFP-10 Broadband Deployment Consultant Services
Alvarez and Marsal Response to RFP Broadband Deployment Consultant Services
Alvarez and Marsal Contract dated July 5, 2022

REVIEWED BY
Director of Planning, Development & Neighborhood Services: Troy Bolander; Finance Director: Leslie Haase; City Attorney: Peter Edwards; City Manager: Nicholas Edwards

SUMMARY
This Council Bill approves the First Amendment to Agreement for Consulting Services and Work Authorization No 3 with Alvarez and Marsal for Phase 2 work detailed within Work Authorization 3 in the not to exceed amount of Eight Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand, Eight Hundred and Ninety Seven and 00/100 dollars ($836,897.00) for professional consulting services for a broadband connectivity solution.

BACKGROUND
July 05, 2022 council approved Ordinance 2022-114 for the Master Agreement limited to Phase 1 Consulting Services for an amount of Seven Hundred Ninety Seven Thousand Six Hundred Eighteen and 00/100 dollars ($797,618). Understanding the complexities of the network build, A&M delivered a financial strategy to effectively optimize public and private sector investment. They developed, released, and analyzed the City's request for information (RFI) to garner market interest in a future P3; as well as a request for proposal (RFP). During this process they also conducted comprehensive City stakeholder engagement sessions to identify targets of opportunity for improved resident/business connectivity while considered optimization of City operations, public infrastructure asset connectivity, Smarter Joplin solutions.
As part of the detailed design package, site specific requirements for hardened equipment and structures by specific location can be established. This allowed for the network design to have explicit attention to redundancy and overall system resilience and considering spatial composition of critical facilities.

April 15, 2024 council approved Ordinance 2024-264 for the Development Agreement with ALLO Missouri, LLC to construct a fiber optic network that is able to offer high quality, fiber optic broadband to substantially all residents, anchor institutions and businesses within the city limits of Joplin.

FUNDING SOURCE

This Council Bill includes a budget amendment to the general fund use tax for this item.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of Council Bill 2024-278, First Amendment to Agreement for Consulting Services & Work Authorization 3 with Alvarez and Marsal for Phase 2 in the additional not to exceed amount of Eight Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand, Eight Hundred Ninety-Seven and 00/100 dollars ($836,897.00) for professional consulting services for broadband connectivity solutions.