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CITY MANAGER MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable Mayor and City Commissioners

Through: James R. Elensky, City Manager

From: Brian Ross, CGCIO, Technology Management Director

Date: June 17, 2025

Subject: State Grant Funded Fiber

Executive Summary

Contract with PCS to build a multi-agency redundant fiber optic network partially funded by a state grant. Staff Contact: Brian Ross, Technology Management Director

Introduction

The intent of this item is to contract with PCS to build a multi-agency redundant fiber optic network partially funded by a state grant.

Background

The City received a \$1,200,000 grant from the State of Florida to help design and construct a multi-agency redundant fiber optic network in northeast Polk County. Both Davenport and Haines City have existing fiber optic infrastructure within their respective jurisdictions. The State Grant is helping to make use of these existing assets and add additional fiber segments to interconnect and expand these systems into a multi-agency redundant fiber optic network. The City has used \$212,000 of this grant funding with Pennoni to finalize the design, generate construction plans, and obtain the necessary permits.

Precision Contracting Services (PCS) is currently under contract with the City to perform fiber optic cable installations. They have quoted the City a maximum price of \$891,208 for this work.

Organizational Goal(s)

Technology: Utilize technology to enhance public services.

Budget Impact

The budget impact for fiscal year 2025 is \$891,208. The item is currently budgeted in the Technology Management Department Capital account 001-30-51-3-8-83-10.



Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of contracting with PCS to build a multi-agency redundant fiber optic network partially funded by a state grant.