

To City Council members,

After reading the Resolution and the Scope of Work under item 5L on the City Council agenda for the meeting on 11-22-2021 I believe that this project requiring \$35,000 is not ready to be adopted as is along with all the other items listed for the consent calendar. While the explanation on the agenda about item 5L makes sense, the title for the scope of work makes no sense. It says: "The Scope of Work to Develop 35% Preliminary Engineering Report Based on Fort Bragg Digital Infrastructure Project."

Please remove this item from the agenda and discuss at some future meeting. What is available for the public to read is hard to understand as incomplete sentences are used; terms mentioned without any explanation like "desk-top design" and buckets; abbreviations used without explanation what they stand for like EDA, USDA, CDBG; attachments listed that are not attached like City Zoning Map, and locations of home business/non-conforming commercial businesses. Looking up these abbreviations I found the US Economic Development Administration, the US Department of Agriculture, and the Community Development Block Grant Program. Realizing by reading the Resolution the City Council apparently received a presentation on 9-20-2021 and discussed underground Fiber to the Premise (FTTP) broadband deployment.

In the two documents included for the 11-22-21 meeting we can not find out what broadband technology the City is thinking about unless people look up what was presented on 9-20-2021. It was there that I also found the term "desk-top design" and found out that the City is trying to provide underground Fiber to the Premise (FTTP) broadband. No indication was given as far as "buckets" are concerned.

Broadband provides high speed internet access via multiple types of technologies including fiber optics, wireless, cable, DSL and satellite. Therefore, it is important to know exactly what the City is intending to do.

The Resolution was not proofread and for example indicates that the EDA stands for US Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration and has several typos. Also what was not explained clearly in both documents is how the 35% relate to the \$35,000.

Looking up the City Council meeting of 9-20-2021 I found a Fort Bragg Infrastructure Plan, a Fort Bragg Broadband Plan and a public comment from Jacob Patterson. Jacob Patterson seemed impressed with the detail and quality of the report and excited about the project. I am glad that the technology used is underground Fiber to the Premise, but am very frustrated by the sloppiness and lack of clarity of the two documents that should explain to the City Council and community members why that item should be voted on along with all the other items during the consent calendar.

This project requiring \$35,000 is not ready to be adopted as is along with all the other items listed for the consent calendar. Please remove from the agenda and bring back at another time for the above stated reasons.

Sincerely, Annemarie Weibel
11-22-2021