

RESOLUTION NO. -2025

RESOLUTION OF THE FORT BRAGG CITY COUNCIL APPROVING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH GHD TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE MUNICIPAL BROADBAND UTILITY PROJECT (PWP-00130), AND AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE CONTRACT (AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,449,466.60)

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Bragg released a request for proposals on December 18, 2024, seeking qualified firms interested in contracting with the City of Fort Bragg to provide construction management services for the Municipal Broadband Utility Project (“Project”); and

WHEREAS, the City received three (3) proposals were received of which two (2) were considered responsive: 1) GHD with an amount not to exceed \$1,449,466.60; and 2) EN Engineering, LLC for an amount not to exceed \$2,172,365; and

WHEREAS, staff reviewed and interviewed firms and has the proper license and experience and meets the necessary requirements to complete the Project as bid; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends selecting GHD as best suited firm to perform construction management services for this Project; and

WHEREAS, grant funding in the amount of \$10,300,000 was awarded by the California Public Utilities Commission for this project; and

WHEREAS, Council directed staff to apply for additional grants and pursue debt financing strategy to fund the remaining of this capital improvement project that is currently estimated to be \$17.2 million; and

WHEREAS, the Project is exempt pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) and Title 14, the California Code of Regulations (“CEQA Guidelines”), Sections: 15301(b) because the Project is a public utility service – one of three public utilities provided by the City of Fort Bragg; 153302(c) because if replacement or reconstruction of water/sewer utilities are necessary there will be no expansion of capacity; and 15304(f) because the primary construction method is undergrounding utilizing horizontal directional drill boring to lessen impacts; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Recitals set forth above are true and correct and are incorporated herein as findings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that City Council of the City of Fort Bragg does hereby approve Professional Services Agreement with GHD to provide construction management services for the Municipal Broadband Utility Project (PWP-00130), and authorizes the City Manager to execute contract (amount not to exceed \$1,449,466.60).

The above and foregoing Resolution was introduced by Councilmember _____ , seconded by Councilmember _____ , and passed and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Fort Bragg held on the 11th day of March, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

**NOES:
ABSENT:
ABSTAIN:
RECUSED:**

**Jason Godeke
Mayor**

ATTEST:

**Diana Paoli
City Clerk**