



## Snohomish County Council

**Committee:** Committee of the Whole

**Analyst:** Jim Martin

**ECAF:** 2023-0167

**Proposal:** Motion 23-086

**Date:** February 17, 2023

### **Consideration:**

Approves the agreement with CBG Communications, Inc.

### **Background**

Snohomish County secured Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery (CLFR) grant funds under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Guidelines for these funds allow the County to use funds for broadband infrastructure. RFP-22-038BC was issued to solicit proposals to study, map, assist, and support the County in identifying unserved and underserved areas. CBG Communications, Inc. was selected by the evaluation committee to provide a Broadband Enhancement Study to assess the broadband needs of Snohomish County, identify unserved and underserved areas, and provide deployment alternatives to reduce broadband gaps; analyze the County's current infrastructure for current/future needs and provide recommendations on improving infrastructure interconnection between County facilities and external customers; identify households with limited or no broadband service access and speed, or with affordability barriers that limits or prevents broadband access.

### **Current Proposal**

This motion approves the agreement between Snohomish County and CBG Communications, Inc. for a not to exceed amount of \$101,000. The agreement is through September 30, 2024, with the potential for up to two additional one-year terms, at the sole discretion of the County.

*Duration:* Through September 30, 2024

*Fiscal Implications:* \$101,000

### **2023 Budget:**

*Is this in the current year budget:* Yes

**Future Budget Impacts:** N/A

**Handling:** Normal

**Approved-as-to-form:** Yes

**Risk Management:** Yes

**Executive Recommendation:** Approval

**Attachments:** Refer to the submitted ECAF

**Amendments:** NONE.

**Request:** Move to Council for consideration.