



## Agenda Item Summary

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**File #: 24-01002**

**Agenda Date: 11/12/2024**

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**Agenda Item Name:**

**Ranking of Request for Proposal (RFP) 24-485 Broadband Deployment Assistance to Deliver Reliable Internet to Unserved and Underserved Areas in Alachua County, managed by Budget & Fiscal Services.**

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**Description:**

Ranking of RFP 24-485-PM Broadband Deployment Assistance to Deliver Reliable Internet to Unserved and Underserved Areas in Alachua County, managed by Budget & Fiscal Services.

**Recommended Action:**

Approve the ranking and authorize staff to negotiate agreements for RFP 24-485-PM Broadband Deployment Assistance to Deliver Reliable Internet to Unserved and Underserved Areas in Alachua County:

1. Windstream Florida, LLC
2. COX Florida Telcom, L.P.
3. Pavlov Media
4. IBT Group USA, LLC

Authorize staff to negotiate agreements with the three (3) top ranked firms.

**Prior Board Motions:**

July 9, 2024, the Board approved the scope for the Revenue Recovery Program Update and Broadband Deployment Grant. Item 24-00532.

**Fiscal Note:**

\$14,000,000 is budgeted in General Fund – Revenue Recovery (Fund 052) for broadband deployment assistance.

**Strategic Guide:**

Social and Economic Opportunity

**Background:**

RFP 24-485-PM Broadband Deployment Assistance to Deliver Reliable Internet to Unserved and Underserved Areas in Alachua County was released on July 10, 2024. The deadline for receipt of RFP 24-485-PM Broadband Deployment Assistance to Deliver Reliable Internet to Unserved and Underserved Areas in Alachua County was August 28, 2024; four (4) vendors responded.

The project details can be found here:

<https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/alachuacounty/projects/81551>