

RESOLUTION NO. 5

SERIES 2021

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A MINERAL IMPACT ASSISTANCE FUND GRANT APPLICATION TO THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS

WHEREAS, in 2018 the Town began a project to develop a “Fiber to the Home and Business” infrastructure for the benefit of the Town’s residents and businesses (the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, in spring 2019, the Town partnered with ALLO Communications, LLC (“Allo”) to become the broadband service provider for the Project; and

WHEREAS, partnering with ALLO Communications enabled the Town to provide its residents and businesses with the opportunity to have competitive pricing, higher speeds, reliable connection, and better customer service; and

WHEREAS, in May 2019, the Town broke ground on the first phase of the Project, and throughout the summer and fall of 2019 the Town’s contractors installed a central office, the Town’s fiber backbone, and also provided service to the Town’s first residences and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the first phase of the Town’s made broadband service to 620 premises; and

WHEREAS, in April 2020, the Town broke ground on the second phase of the Project, and throughout the summer and fall the Town made broadband service available to an additional 1,347 residents and businesses; and

WHEREAS, in 2020 the Town has also deployed and operates a robust free Wi-Fi solution in our business downtown core; and

WHEREAS, in 2021 the Town would like to install a middle mile connection from its existing fiber network on Airport Road to the north to Stan Miller Drive; and

WHEREAS, the extension of the Town’s broadband north to Stan Miller Drive will allow the Town to make broadband service available to six current and future low-income housing units, including two housing projects that are slated to break ground in the spring of 202; and.

WHEREAS, the Town desires to obtain a Mineral Impact Assistance Fund Grant to help pay the cost of extending the Town’s existing fiber network on Airport Road to the north to Stan Miller Drive; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for there to be filed an “Application For Colorado Division of Housing Loan/Grant” for submission to the Colorado Division of Housing (“Grant Application”); and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds and determines that it would be in the best interest of the Town and its citizens for the Grant Application to be submitted to the Colorado Department of Local Affairs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF BRECKENRIDGE, COLORADO, as follows:

Section 1. The Town Manager is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to execute and submit the required Colorado Department of Local Affairs – Energy/Mineral Impact Assistance Fund Grant (EIAF)-FY 2021 Broadband Planning and Implementation Application on behalf of the Town of Breckenridge.

Section 2. If the grant is awarded the Town Council declares its intention to appropriate and budget any required matching funds required by the grant, subject to annual appropriation by the Town Council as required by law.

Section 3. If the grant is awarded, the Town Council hereby authorizes the Town Manager to sign the grant agreement with the Colorado Department of Local Affairs

Section 4. All action taken by the Town staff prior to the adoption of this resolution concerning the approved Grant Application is hereby ratified and approved.

Section 5. This resolution is effective upon adoption.

RESOLUTION APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 23rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2021.

TOWN OF BRECKENRIDGE

By _____/s/_____
Eric S. Mamula, Mayor

ATTEST:

_____/s/_____
Helen Cospolich, CMC,
Town Clerk

APPROVED IN FORM

_____/s/_____
Town Attorney date