

BOISE COUNTY

RESOLUTION #2021-31

A RESOLUTION OF COUNTY COMMISSION OF BOISE COUNTY, IDAHO AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE IDAHO BROADBAND FUND FOR AN IDAHO CARES ACT BROADBAND GRANT TO FINANCE IMPROVEMENTS TO ENHANCE BROADBAND SYSTEMS IN OUR COMMUNITY.

WHEREAS, stable, reliable broadband infrastructure is necessary to support and attract business, improve educational training, enhance public safety and services, and enrich the quality of life for all citizens;

WHEREAS, the Governor for the State of Idaho declared a state of emergency on March 13, 2020 with Executive Order 2020-7 to respond to the coronavirus pandemic;

WHEREAS, the CARES Act funding received by the State of Idaho will fund projects across the state that create and retain local jobs and result in purposeful outcomes, including distance learning, telehealth, public safety, commerce, and the overall well-being of the citizens in Idaho.

WHEREAS, the County is an eligible applicant of the Idaho CARES Act Broadband Grant program and intends to apply for funding through this grant program;

WHEREAS, the County will comply with Idaho statute 67-2808 procurement since the competitive procurement solicitation and selection process is impractical, disadvantageous, or unreasonable under the circumstances of responding to this epidemic recovery effort; and, will engage a contractor using the sole source contracting provisions of Idaho Code 67-2808.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSION FOR THE COUNTY OF BOISE COUNTY, IDAHO, that the Chairman is authorized to sign and submit appropriate application materials to the Idaho Broadband Fund to seek funding through the Idaho CARES Act Broadband Grant program to enhance broadband access in our community.

Adopted this 16th, day of July, 2021.

STEVEN M. TWILEGAR, Acting Chairman-

MARY T. PRISCO, Clerk