

S T A T E O F M I C H I G A N

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF ALLEGAN

**BROADBAND - APPROVE PROJECT MANAGER POSITION**

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners (Board) approved a 2021/22 Strategic Plan project to advance broadband in Allegan County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Plan identifies steps to create a broadband workgroup and hire a directly employed or contracted project lead (and possibly team) to lead the project and deliver results for Board approved Specific, Measurable, Actionable, Realistic, Time-based (S.M.A.R.T.) goals pending ARPA eligibility; and

**WHEREAS**, a Broadband Action Workgroup was formed and the actions above have been reviewed with the workgroup; and

**WHEREAS**, the workgroup, in conjunction with Administration, recommends contracting for a Project Manager position and other necessary personnel and operational resources; and

**WHEREAS**, ARPA eligibility has been confirmed.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** the Board authorizes Administration to contract position(s) and procure the necessary services and supplies with an initial budget of \$1.5 million for 3 years; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that positions, services and supplies shall not incur any financial liability expenses that are not eligible for ARPA funds; and

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** the County Administrator is authorized to sign any necessary documents on behalf of the County and the Executive Director of Finance is authorized to perform all budget adjustments to complete this action.