



TO: Mayor
Members of the City Council

FROM: Jason McKibben

DATE: 2/20/23

SUBJECT: FY 2022 STATE AND LOCAL CYBERSECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (SLCGP)

I. RECOMMENDED ACTION

Recommend the City Council ratify the submission of the FY 2022 SLCGP application and authorize the Finance Director to sign the application.

II. DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSONS

Dave Lakefield, Finance Director 857-4784
Jason McKibben, IT Manager – Systems and Support 857-4173

III. DESCRIPTION

A. Background

Through funding from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) enables the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to make targeted cybersecurity investments in state, local and territorial (SLT) government agencies. \$1,829,561 was awarded to the State of North Dakota under this program. Eligible North Dakota applicants must apply for cybersecurity related project funding through the North Dakota Department of Emergency Services (NDDDES): Division of Homeland Security.

A Notice of Intent was submitted by City of Minot IT to NDDDES on 12/19 and an application invitation was received on February 3rd. The application deadline was February 15th at 5:00 pm so the grant application was signed by the Finance Director and submitted prior to the application deadline, requiring this ratification request.

B. Proposed Project

The City of Minot IT Department submitted a FY 2022 SLCGP application to NDDDES on 2/15. Funding requests for the following two cybersecurity projects were included in the application: firewall/network segmentation configuration and cybersecurity plan/policy creation. The requested project costs totaled \$78,273. If both projects are approved by the grant review committee, 90% of the project costs (\$70,445.70) would be funded via the grant and 10% (\$7,827.30) would be funded locally. NDDDES has requested of the North Dakota Legislature the authority to pay the 10% local cost share. However, we do not know at the time of this application if the Legislature will approve this request.

If the grant application is approved, an additional memo will be presented to Council at a future meeting requesting approval to accept the award.

C. Consultant Selection

N/A

IV. IMPACT:

A. Strategic Impact:

The proposed cybersecurity projects included in the grant application would further mitigate cybersecurity risk and allow us to continue to provide secure, information technology services to the City of Minot.

B. Service/Delivery Impact:

N/A

C. Fiscal Impact:

If funding for both projects is approved, the project costs would total \$78,273.

Total project costs included in application:	\$78,723
Potential grant funding (90% of project costs):	\$70,445.70
Potential local share (10% of project costs):	\$7,872.30

V. CITY COUNCIL ASPIRATIONS

Resilient and prepared

VI. ALTERNATIVES

Alt. 1 Council could deny this request and direct staff to fund the needs through other means.

VII. TIME CONSTRAINTS

N/A

VIII. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

A. *FY 2022 SLCGP Application*