



TO: Mayor
Members of the City Council

FROM: Jason McKibben

DATE: 1/31/24

SUBJECT: FY 2023 STATE AND LOCAL CYBERSECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (SLCGP) AWARD ACCEPTANCE

I. RECOMMENDED ACTION

- Recommend City Council approve acceptance of the FY 2023 SLCGP grant award and authorize the Finance Director to sign the award documents.
- Recommend City Council approve the proposed ordinance on first reading to appropriate the grant revenues and expenditures with the use of general fund cash reserves.

II. DEPARTMENT CONTACT PERSONS

<i>Dave Lakefield, Finance Director</i>	857-4784
<i>Jason McKibben, IT Manager – Systems and Support</i>	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. Eligible North Dakota applicants submitted applications for cybersecurity related project funding through the North Dakota Department of Emergency Services (NDDES): Division of Homeland Security. For FY 2023, the SLCGP reimburses 84.55% of qualified and approved cybersecurity related project costs for approved applicants.

An application was submitted by the City of Minot on September 28th and a notice of grant award letter was received on January 29th. The award acceptance documentation must be signed and submitted to NDDES within 10 days of the 1/29 award notification.

B. Proposed Project

A funding request for the procurement, configuration and installation of hardware firewalls was included in the application.

The City of Minot was awarded \$130,925.68 (\$123,880.00 Federal Amount + \$7,045.68 State Contribution) from the FY 2023 SLCGP to fund the above-listed project. The approved total project cost is \$154,850.00. 84.55% of the project cost (\$130,925.68) will be funded via the grant and 15.45% (\$23,924.32) will be funded locally.

C. Consultant Selection

N/A

IV. IMPACT:

A. Strategic Impact:

The cybersecurity project approved in the grant application will 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:

Total project costs:	\$154,850.00
Approved grant award (84.55% of project costs):	\$130,925.68
Local share (15.45% of project costs):	\$23,924.32

V. CITY COUNCIL ASPIRATIONS

Resilient and prepared

VI. ALTERNATIVES

Alt. 1 Council could deny this request and direct staff to reject the grant award.

VII. TIME CONSTRAINTS

N/A

VIII. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

- A. *NDDES FY 2023 SLCGP Notice of Grant Award*
- B. *Budget Amendment*