

Resolution 2022-09

**SAWYER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RESOLUTION TO APPROVE BROADBAND EXPANSION PROPOSAL FROM NORVADO**

**WHEREAS**, Sawyer County (the “County”) continues to strive in expansion of broadband technology available to its residents and visitors;

**WHEREAS**, Norvado is a provider of broadband services to the area in and around the County;

**WHEREAS**, Norvado presented a proposal for expansion of broadband services in the Draper and Winter Township areas (the “Norvado Proposal”) at the County Finance Committee on February 10, 2022. A summary of the Norvado Proposal is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A.

**WHEREAS**, the Norvado Proposal sets forth a County contribution of \$100,000.00 in American Rescue Plan Act (“ARPA”) funds, and such contribution assumes additional funds will be provided.

**WHEREAS**, the Finance Committee voted to recommend that the County Board approve the Norvado Proposal;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 65.90(5)(a) and Rule 7(12) of the County Board of Supervisors (“County Board”) Policy and Procedure Manual, the County Board must approve the County contribution of \$100,000.00 set forth in the Norvado Proposal by a two-third (2/3) vote of the County Board membership;

**WHEREAS**, the County Board reviewed and discussed the contents of this Resolution at its meeting on February 17, 2022, and County Board determined that it is in the best interest of the County to commit County funds in the amount of \$100,000.00 in ARPA funds and approve the Norvado Proposal based on the terms and conditions therein and described in Exhibit A, including the conditions detailed below.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, the County Board determines the following:

1. Recitals. The Recitals set forth above are true and correct, and are hereby incorporated into this Resolution.
2. Approval of Norvado Proposal; Conditions. The County Board hereby approves the Norvado Proposal and commits \$100,000.00 in ARPA funds to the broadband expansion project described in the Norvado Proposal with the following conditions:
  - a. Each funding contribution set forth in Norvado Proposal must be secured to the satisfaction of the County.
  - b. All other necessary governmental approvals for the broadband expansion project set forth in the Norvado Proposal are secured, including but not limited to the State of Wisconsin Public Service Commission.

In the event any conditions are not met to the County’s satisfaction, the County shall have no obligation to contribute or otherwise spend County funds for the broadband expansion project described in the Norvado Proposal.

3. Health, Welfare and Safety. The County’s approval of this Resolution and the Norvado Proposal is beneficial to the health, welfare and safety of the County’s residents, taxpayers and visitors.

52 This Resolution is recommended for adoption by the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors at its meeting on  
53 February 17, 2022, by this Sawyer County Finance Committee on this February 10, 2022.

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56 Bruce Paulsen, Chair

  
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Ron Kinsley, Vice Chair

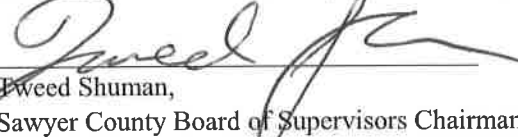
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65 This Resolution is hereby adopted by the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors this 17<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022.

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69 Sawyer County Board of Supervisors Chairman

  
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Lynn Eitch,  
Sawyer County Clerk

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72 Exhibit A – ARPA Purchase Request Form from Norvado