

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

	Number:	26-225	Meeting:	June 29, 2026
	Agenda Item:	46	Roll Call:	26-0764
	Submitted by:	Jeffrey L. Wann, CIO, Information Technology Director		

AGENDA HEADING:

Resolution approving the purchase of fiber relocation services from Confluence Technology Group using the State of Iowa Agreement 20450 and City of Des Moines Short Form No. K23-016, not to exceed \$186,197.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval of the proposed quote from Confluence Technology Group (formerly known as Commonwealth Electric Company of the Midwest), (3910 South Street, Lincoln, NE 68506; Roger Hamilton, President) for a total cost not to exceed \$186,197, based on hourly rates, for construction and relocation of the City's fiber optic assets out of the Argonne Armory Building using State of Iowa Master Agreement #20450 and Short Form Agreement K23-016 and per the previous Council approved design by Olsson, Inc. The City is vacating the Argonne Armory Building at 602 Robert D. Ray Drive as part of the City Facility Expansion project and requires the relocation of fiber optic network infrastructure from the current fiber hub site at the Armory to other distributed City fiber hub sites prior to the handoff to the new owners.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$186,197.00

Funding Source: Recommended Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Fiscal Year (FY) 2027, BL-133, City Facility and Armory Replacement Project, Page 30

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- City Facility Expansion is a multi-year strategic project to move several City departments, including the Information Technology (IT) Department previously based at the Argonne Armory Building, now located in the Cownie City Administration Building at 1200 Locust Street.
- Moving IT requires the assessment, design, and relocation of inside and outside fiber optic plant infrastructure from the current Armory data center to other City sites.

- Olsson, Inc. provided professional services for new fiber plant design sets and opinion of probable construction cost for redistributing fiber optic network connections throughout the City's multiple fiber hub sites. The relocation of the fiber, per the design, is to be completed by Confluence Technology Group, who generally maintains and services the City's fiber optic plant.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: October 20, 2025

Roll Call Number: [25-1418](#)

Action: [Additional](#) funds of \$51,400 for Professional Services Agreement with Olsson, Inc. (Brad Strittmatter, President) for City Facility Expansion Argonne Armory Fiber Relocation Design Project. ([Council Communication No. 25-398](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Coleman. Motion Carried 7-0.

Date: September 16, 2024

Roll Call Number: [24-1274](#)

Action: [Exception](#) to the procurement ordinance competitive process for good cause and approval of Professional Services Agreement with Olsson, Inc. (Brad Strittmatter, President) for fiber relocation design for use by the IT Department, not to exceed \$164,160. ([Council Communication No. 24-370](#)) Moved by Gatto to adopt. Second by Voss. Motion Carried 7-0.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE**ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE**

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