SEMINOLE COUNTY BROADBAND

Title ASSESSMENT

Number RFP-604202-21/TLR

Presentations: RFP-604202-21/TLR -

Phase Braodband Assessment

**Terms** 

The following terms have been agreed upon by all evaluators that have conducted an evaluation for this bid solicitation

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Congratulations on your selection as an Evaluation Team Member! Your evaluation is key in awarding quality contracts. You must examine each proposal against the evaluation criteria in the solicitation and provide supportive narrative for your selection. Are you willing to evaluate in a fair, comprehensive, and impartial manner? Are you willing to present a clear picture of the issues considered during the evaluation? I have read and will comply with the above requirement.

Instructions: Describe strengths, weaknesses and deficiencies to support your assessment for each of the categories. I have read and comply with the above requirement.

### **Scores**

Criteria	Evaluation Factor #1	Evaluation Factor #2	Evaluation Factor #3	Total
Weight	33	33	33	99
Magellan Advisors, Inc.	29.28	30.15	30.63	90.05
Televate, LLC	26.89	29.9	26.21	83
Hunt, Guillot & Associates, LLC.	24.8	23.65	16.27	64.72

## Respondent: Magellan Advisors, Inc.

**Criteria: Evaluation Factor #1** 

Evaluator: Meloney Koontz

Comment: Provided 13 step task list with an estimated timeline of 5 months.

**Evaluator: Charles Wetzel** 

Comment: Experience with other FL governments / entities on similar projects. Again, exp. with Seminole. Detailed and focused task

list and work flow - maps to achieve success.

**Evaluator: James Garoutsos** 

Comment: Proposer's demonstrated a clear proficiency and solution to what Seminole County is trying to do.

Evaluator: Rebecca Hammock

Comment: Have a very good understanding of the State laws, ARPA, Infrastructure Bill and the new DEO Broadband program requirements. Presentation itself was a little hard to follow due to technical difficulties but the it was handled with professionalism.

**Criteria: Evaluation Factor #2** 

**Evaluator: Meloney Koontz** 

Comment: Provided a "turnkey" solution from planning, engineering, implementation, and grants/funding. Data Sharing/Repositories,

stakeholder engagement, needs assessment, network and connectivity, solutions, costs, and finances, business models and

governance, roadmap

**Evaluator: Charles Wetzel** 

Comment: Data collection, stakeholder engagement, survey / needs assessment. Identify gaps and plug them. Statement of work -

detailed work flow - 13 tasks. Timeline - 5 months, start in January.

**Evaluator: James Garoutsos** 

Comment: Proposer described an innovative tool to survey and get speed tests from respondents. Project plan and tasks seemed

reasonable and well thought out.

Evaluator: Rebecca Hammock

Comment: Well thought out approach that appears to include all required elements. Magellan is proposing a realistic but expeditious

time frame of five months.

**Criteria: Evaluation Factor #3** 

**Evaluator: Meloney Koontz** 

Comment: Provided many counties that they have worked with at various levels of broadband.

**Evaluator: Charles Wetzel** 

Comment: Similar projects in Chesapeake, VA, DETCOG, TX, Indian River and Escambia Counties in FL. Turnkey broadband solutions. Line of business - 20 years. Funding/grant experience. Members of FL Assoc. of Counties. Has done work for Seminole before and has good handle on internal network.

**Evaluator: James Garoutsos** 

Comment: Proposer did a 2010 telecomm study in Seminole County Over 400 public agencies and experience with other municipalities in Florida. Experience of team seems more than adequate. Experience in regulation in Gainesville. Extensive experience working with regional and state partners (FAC).

Evaluator: Rebecca Hammock

Comment: Magellan and team has a significant amount of related experience and is familiar with the Florida landscape and the individual service providers.

# Respondent: Televate, LLC

Criteria: Evaluation Factor #1

**Evaluator: Charles Wetzel** 

Comment: Good understanding of timetable and how impacted by stakeholders and private public partnerships (PPP). Lots of grant experience. Discussion of new infrastructure bill. Innovative products / ideas to help with schedule.

**Evaluator: James Garoutsos** 

Comment: Proposer appears to have a reasonable grasp of what Seminole County wants from the broadband assessment. They are partnered with another firm, Strategic Networks Group. This relationship is not as preferable as having one firm who has all the resources needed.

**Evaluator: Meloney Koontz** 

Comment:

Evaluator: Rebecca Hammock

Comment: Televate mapped out a very detailed approach . They did a significant amount of research and prep work for the RFP

response and the presentation.

**Criteria: Evaluation Factor #2** 

**Evaluator: Charles Wetzel** 

Comment: Spent most of presentation focusing on questions we sent - saved approach for time permitting - was fine. Good discussion

on what County needs to do to help make project successful. 6 month schedule seems reasonable.

**Evaluator: James Garoutsos** 

Comment: Answered unique challenges that they thought Seminole County would face. Presentation was very clear and they answered every question adequately and reasonably. Proposers clearly reviewed and thought deeply about our concerns.

**Evaluator: Meloney Koontz** 

Comment: Six-month timeline. Includes kick-off meeting, resident and business survey, carrier discussions, partnership options,

financial modeling, final report.

Evaluator: Rebecca Hammock

Comment: Approach also includes looking at ways to promote economy through broadband infrastructure. Have software specific to

this type of study/research. Proposing a realistic timeline of six months.

Criteria: Evaluation Factor #3

**Evaluator: Charles Wetzel** 

Comment: Strong partner - Strategic Networks Group (SNG). Televate - 20 years exp. supporting mostly government. FL project experience, including Seminole, on Emergency Mgmt. broadband consultation.

**Evaluator: James Garoutsos** 

Comment: Experience seems sufficient except it doesn't appear directly related to counties but more state directed. Seminole County experience with Emergency Management. Not clear if this is related to broadband.

**Evaluator: Meloney Koontz** 

Comment: State of Florida and 11 other states.

Evaluator: Rebecca Hammock

Comment: Company has a good amount of previous experience with this type of study.

## Respondent: Hunt, Guillot & Associates, LLC.

#### Criteria: Evaluation Factor #1

**Evaluator: Charles Wetzel** 

Comment: Experienced tech and GIS services. Significant funding exp. and ideas. Can help with meetings, review legal documents, ISP agreements, access to permitting, etc. if so desired. Would all be extra scope and funds I imagine.

**Evaluator: James Garoutsos** 

Comment: Proposer presented a reasonable approach to completing the assessment.

**Evaluator: Meloney Koontz** 

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Evaluator: Rebecca Hammock

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**Criteria: Evaluation Factor #2** 

**Evaluator: Charles Wetzel** 

Comment: Mapping/inventory to start. ISP engagement/assessment. Funding investigation. 7 week timeline - seems short. Town hall /

community meetings - didn't fully understand how that fits into schedule or if it is after (like LA project).

**Evaluator: James Garoutsos** 

Comment: While the proposer's approach was reasonable, they did not elaborate on resources needed by Seminole County and the

timeline appears very aggressive.

**Evaluator: Meloney Koontz** 

Comment: Indicated a 7-week timeline to complete the assessment, market analysis, funding options, and complete the final report.

Evaluator: Rebecca Hammock

Comment: Proposing only a 7 week time frame which doesn't seem like enough time to accomplish all of the needed tasks.

Criteria: Evaluation Factor #3

**Evaluator: Charles Wetzel** 

Comment: 5 team members. Mostly recovery effort experience. Similar project- a parish in LA - 6 month duration. NOAA network

project. PM - 23 years exp. Company - 24 years exp., 450 employees. Lots of grant exp.

**Evaluator: James Garoutsos** 

Comment: The proposer review their experience and while it appears sufficient, it did not include relevant experience in Florida

**Evaluator: Meloney Koontz** 

Comment: East Feliciana Parish, LA, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Admin

Evaluator: Rebecca Hammock

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