

**SOUTHSIDE NETWORK AUTHORITY  
BOARD MEETING**

**July 8, 2022  
2:00 PM**

**The Regional Building  
Board Room A  
723 Woodlake Drive, Chesapeake**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Approval/Modification of Agenda**
- 3. Public Comments**

Members of the public are invited to address the Southside Network Authority (SNA). Each comment is limited to three minutes.

- 4. Submitted Public Comments**

There were no submitted public comments since the last SNA meeting. Any new written public comments received after the preparation of this agenda will be distributed at the meeting.

- 5. Meeting Minutes (Attachment 5)**

Attached for the SNA's consideration are the minutes from the June 10, 2022, SNA Meeting.

***Action Requested: SNA Board should take action to approve the minutes for the June 10, 2022, Board Meeting.***

- 6. Project Management Update**

Staff will provide a project update to the Board during this meeting.

***Action Requested: No action required. Update is provided for Board Members' information.***

**7. Grant Opportunity: National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), U.S. Department of Commerce**

NTIA announced a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Middle Mile Broadband Infrastructure Grant (MMG) program. The MMG program will provide \$1B in middle-mile broadband grant funding. Applications must be submitted by September 30, 2022, and grant awards will be announced no earlier than March 1, 2023. SNA Executive Director Steven DeBerry and HRPDC Executive Director Bob Crum will brief the Authority on potential opportunities for this program that would support the next implementation phases of the SNA regional fiber ring strategy.

***Action Requested: Discussion of various options for submission of a NTIA grant application and Board recommendation.***

**8. Closed Session – Discuss Procurement Strategy**

To proceed into closed session, the SNA Board should consider the following:

*Motion to convene a closed session pursuant to subsection A.28 of § 2.2-3711 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, for the purpose of discussion or consideration of information subject to the exclusion in subdivision 11 of § 2.2-3705.6 by a responsible public entity; pursuant to subsection A.33 of § 2.2-3711 for the purpose of discussion or consideration by a local authority created in accordance with the Virginia Wireless Service Authorities Act (§ 15.2-5431.1 et seq.) of confidential proprietary information and trade secrets subject to the exclusion in subdivision 19 of § 2.2-3705.6; pursuant to subsection A.29 of § 2.2-3711 for the purpose of discussion of the award of a public contracting involving the expenditure of public funds, and discussion of the terms or scope of such contract, where discussion in open session would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body; and pursuant to subsection A.6 of § 2.2-3711 for the purpose of discussion or consideration of the investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where, if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected, specifically relating to contract negotiations with Global Technical Systems.*

After reconvening in open session, the SNA Board should consider the following:

*Motion to reconvene in open session and to certify by roll call vote, pursuant to subsection D of § 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia, that (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from the open meeting requirements of the Freedom of Information Act and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed session was convened were heard, discussed, or considered in the closed session.*

**9. Actions out of Closed Session**

*Action Requested: Following the end of closed session, the Board may take actions to implement the recommendations received under agenda item 8 considering the confidential information, analysis, discussion, and considerations from the closed session.*

**10. Old/New Business**

**11. Adjournment**