

RESOLUTION NO. _____ (N.C.S.)

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF SALINAS ACCEPTING
THE ALISAL NEIGHBORHOOD FIBER NETWORK DESIGN**

WHEREAS, in November 2019, the City Council unanimously accepted the Alisal Vibrancy Plan (AVP) as a strategic planning document. The AVP is an action-oriented, comprehensive strategy for Salinas. The Plan’s purpose is to communicate the collective vision, goals and desires of those who live, work, worship, and shop in the Alisal; and

WHEREAS, on April 4, 2023, the City entered into a professional services agreement with Kimley Horn for the preparation of the Salinas Broadband Master Plan and Alisal Neighborhood Broadband Fiber Network Design; and

WHEREAS, the Alisal Fiber Network Design was developed with the primary objective of addressing the critical gap in high-speed internet availability within the Alisal; and

WHEREAS, the Alisal Neighborhood Fiber Network Design can be utilized by any public or private entity to commence the laying of fiber. The design and permit framework provided within this plan aims to streamline the process and promote the rapid deployment of fiber infrastructure in the Alisal neighborhood, thereby enhancing connectivity and supporting our community's digital needs; and

WHEREAS, accepting the Alisal Fiber Network Design, will prioritize build out for an underserved and unserved community and promote local economic development opportunities; and

WHEREAS, this action is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Section 15061 (b) (3) as there is no possibility that the action may have a significant effect on the environment. Any subsequent discretionary projects resulting from this action will be assessed for CEQA applicability.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Salinas City Council accepts the Salinas Neighborhood Fiber Network Design.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 22nd day of October 2024, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

APPROVED:

Kimbley Craig, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patricia M. Barajas, City Clerk

Attachment: Alisal Neighborhood Fiber Network Design