



Information Technology Department
City of Apache Junction
Home of the Superstition Mountains

MEMORANDUM

Date: April 20th, 2026

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

Through: Bryant Powell, City Manager

From: Doug Wirthgen, City IT Director

Subject: Consideration of approval for CIP 26013 Conduit and Fiber Installation

The City of Apache Junction current data fiber infrastructure was funded by American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds earmarked for broadband implementation and both developers in the Superstition Vistas development area. Also, five miles of fiber was provided by Maricopa Association of Governments (MAG) for city traffic signal CCTV cameras in 2023. This project was approved in the current fiscal year budget. In December the Mayor and City Council rejected all bids for RFP No. IT2025-01 as the proposals were \$1 million over the budgeted amount.

The goals of this project include:

- Complete the city's fiber optic network from Public Works up Tomahawk Rd. to Lost Dutchman back to the Library on Idaho Rd.
- Extend the city's fiber optic network to the Police Department training center.
- Extend the city's fiber optic network to the Rodeo Grounds and install conduit that can be leased out to private fiber providers.

BPG Designs, LLC utilizing the Arizona State cooperative Contract #CTR075703 has provided a quote in the amount of \$1,281,506.17. This project will not only complete the city's fiber optics network but also enables the city conduit for future leasing opportunities for revenue and to possibly enable the underserved broadband areas more internet choices.