



Executive Board Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, September 14, 2022
 Hybrid Meeting – In Person & Virtual
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Chairman Bobby Compton will convene a meeting of the Centralina Executive Board **on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at 5:00 pm**. The meeting will be held in a hybrid format at the Centralina office (located at 10735 David Taylor Dr., Suite 250, Charlotte, NC 28262) with a virtual attendance option.

Time	Item	Presenter
5:00 p.m.	Call to Order	Bobby Compton
	Roll Call	
	Moment of Silence	
	Amendments to the Agenda (if any)	
Consent Items: <i>Consent agenda items may be considered in one motion and without discussion except for those items removed by a Board Member.</i>		
5:10 p.m. Item 1 <i>Pages 5 – 22</i>	Approval of FY23 Division of Aging and Adult Services Grant Award The Executive Board is asked to approve the FY23 regional funding allocations from the NC Division of Aging and Adult Services (NC DAAS) to the Centralina Area Agency on Aging for Region F Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG) services, Area Agency on Aging Planning and Administration funds, Ombudsman funds, Family Caregiver Support, Legal Services, Title III-D Health Promotion, Senior Center General Purpose and Elder Abuse funds in the amount of \$15,227,080 (amount with local match and includes pass through funds). Action/Recommendation: <i>Motion to approve the total funding allocation for FY23 to Centralina Regional Council from NCDAAS for allowable Older Americans Act Services for a total of \$15,227,080.</i>	Linda Miller
Item 2 <i>Pages 24 – 33</i>	CONNECT Beyond Agreement Amendment Staff seeks Board approval of an amendment to a 2019 Interlocal Agreement with Charlotte Area Transit System (CATS) for CONNECT Beyond regional mobility plan implementation. Action/Recommendation: <i>Motion authorizing the Executive Director to execute an amendment to the 2019 Interlocal Agreement with CATS for the implementation of CONNECT Beyond plan recommendations for fiscal years 2023-2025.</i>	Michelle Nance
Item 3 <i>Pages 35 – 39</i>	Managed Information Technology Services Contract The Executive Board is asked to approve the annual IT managed services contract. Action/Recommendation: <i>Motion to approve the FY23 managed IT services contract with Brightflow Technologies in the amount of \$80,400.</i>	Geraldine Gardner
Item 4 <i>Pages 41 – 43</i>	Review of FY22 Budget Amendment The final budget amendment for FY22 was approved by the Finance Committee and is presented to the Executive Board for review.	Denise Strosser

Time	Item	Presenter
	Action/Recommendation: <i>Receive as information.</i>	
Item 5 <i>Pages 45 – 47</i>	Approval of the June 8, 2022 Executive Board Meeting Minutes The minutes from the June 8, 2022 meeting have been distributed to all members of the Executive Board and should be approved if correct. Action/Recommendation: <i>Motion to approve the June 8, 2022 Executive Board meeting minutes.</i>	Bobby Compton
Regular Business Items:		
5:15 p.m. Item 6 10 minutes <i>Pages 49 – 50</i>	Federal Relations Update Leslie Mozingo, Strategics Consulting, will present an update on Centralina’s federal relations activities, including a performance report on activities from June through August. Action/Recommendation <i>Motion to accept the Strategics Consulting performance report for June through August 2022.</i>	Leslie Mozingo
5:25 p.m. Item 7 15 minutes <i>Pages 52 – 55</i>	CONNECT Beyond Update Staff will present key updates related to the CONNECT Beyond regional mobility plan and recommends the Chair form a Centralina Board subcommittee to provide guidance on implementing the plan’s recommendations. Action/Recommendation: <i>Receive as information.</i>	Michelle Nance and Jason Wager
5:40 p.m. Item 8 10 minutes <i>Page 57</i>	Centralina Grants Services Update Staff will provide an update on Centralina’s grants service offerings. Action/Recommendation: <i>Receive as information</i>	Kelly Weston
5:50 p.m. 5 minutes	Comments from the Executive Board and Centralina Staff	Board Members and Staff
5:55 p.m. 5 minutes	Comments from the Executive Director	Geraldine Gardner
6:00 p.m. 5 minutes	Comments from the Chair	Bobby Compton
6:05 p.m.	Adjournment	Bobby Compton



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Item 1



Board Agenda Item Cover Sheet

Board Meeting Date:	September 14, 2022	Agenda Item Type:	Consent:	X	Regular:	
Submitting Person:	Linda Miller	Presentation Time:	NA			
Presenter at Meeting:	Linda Miller	Phone Number:	704-348-2712			
		Email:	lmiller@centralina.org			
Alternate Contact:	Debi Lee	Phone Number:	704-348-2714			
		Email:	dlee@centralina.org			
Submitting Department:	Area Agency on Aging	Department Head Approval:	<i>Linda H. Miller</i>			
Description of Agenda Item:						
<p>The Executive Board is asked to approve the FY23 regional funding allocations from the NC Division of Aging and Adult Services (NC DAAS) to the Centralina Area Agency on Aging for Region F Home and Community Care Block Grant (HCCBG) services, AAA Planning and Administration funds, Ombudsman funds, Family Caregiver Support, Legal Services, Title III-D Health Promotion, Senior Center General Purpose and Elder Abuse funds in the amount of \$15,227,080 (amount with local match and includes pass through funds).</p>						
Background & Basis of Recommendations:						
<p>The annual HCCBG and OAA funds are for July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023. HCCBG funds are for allowable services to adults 60 years of age and older and include nutrition services, in-home aide program, both medical and general transportation, Senior Center General Purpose funds, Adult Day Care, Respite Care, and more. Other OAA services such as the Family Caregiver Support Program and Ombudsman Services are also included in the overall grant award.</p>						
Requested Action / Recommendation:						
<p>Motion to approve the total allocation for FY23 to Centralina Regional Council from the NC Division of Aging and Adult Services for allowable Older Americans Act Services for a total of \$15,227,080.</p>						
Time Sensitivity: <i>(none or explain)</i>	Funding for FY23 HCCBG/OAA begins July 1, 2022. The FY23 HCCBG funding period ends June 30, 2023.					
Budget Impact: <i>(none or explain)</i>	Match required for Centralina administered programs.					
Attachments: <i>(none or list)</i>	Region F Notification of Grant Award (NGA)					

**DIVISION OF AGING AND ADULT SERVICES
2022 NOTIFICATION OF GRANT AWARD
Fiscal year 2022-2023**

**Area Agency on Aging
Centralina Council of Governments – Region F
10735 David Taylor Drive, Suite 250
Charlotte, North Carolina 28262**

New Grant Award

Project Period: July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023

The Division of Aging and Adult Services is issuing this award under the terms and conditions stated herein.

- Funding awarded in this grant consists of state appropriation, federal funding under the Older American’s Act administered by the Administration for Community Living, and federal funding under Social Services Block Grant Program administered by the Office of the Administration for Children and Families. None of the funding is designated for research and development.
- This grant is subject to the requirements of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for HHS Awards under title 45 CFR Part 75 and the requirements of Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards under 2 CRF Part 200.
- The combined federal and state matching share of the following funds shall not exceed the indicated percentages of the net cost: a) Home and Community Care Block Grant Services, Legal, Ombudsman, and Elder Abuse 90 percent; b) Planning and Administration 79.11 percent; c) III-D Health Promotion 90 percent; d) Senior General-Purpose funding 75%. Family Caregiver Support Funding is reimbursed at 100% on the basis of allocated federal and state funding. The total Federal/State Reimbursement Amount of program cost is earned after the units of service or service activity have been completed and the appropriate local match has been contributed.
- The Nutrition Services Incentive Program reimbursement for federal or state funded congregate, and home delivered meals provided under the Home & Community Care Block Grant is \$0.80.
- This NGA is issued subject to the availability of federal and/or state funding. Senior Center General Purpose allocations are subject to the certification status of the Senior Center and may change if there is a change in certification status.
- It is understood that the administration, including program and fiscal monitoring and assessment of all activities under this grant will be the responsibility of the Area Agency on Aging. All contractual agreements and grant awards will be in compliance with North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS) requirements.
- All subrecipients are required to follow policies and procedures for procurement that are at least as stringent as those of the State. For federal funds this requirement pertains to verifying that federal funds are not used to award funds to any subrecipients who have been suspended or debarred by the federal government. In addition, federal funds may not be used to purchase goods or services costing over \$100,000 for a vendor that has been suspended or disbarred from Federal grant programs. Contractors and subcontractors of Older Americans Act funds are prohibited from discharging, demoting, or otherwise discriminating against and employee for whistle blowing as codified in 48 CFR Ch. 13.908.
- Any capital purchases of \$5,000 or more must be pre-approved by the Division of Aging and Adult Services.

- Any expenditure in excess of approved budgets must be in accordance with policy regulations issued by the Division of Aging and Adult Services.
- If any copyrightable material is developed in the course of or under this contract, a copy will be furnished to the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department shall have a royalty free, non-exclusive, and irrevocable right to reproduce, publish or otherwise use the work for Department purposes.
- Area Agencies on Aging may charge indirect costs of their governing organizations to Planning & Administration and other applicable services. These charges must result from an approved cost allocation plan or indirect cost rates prepared in accordance with applicable Federal cost principles found in Uniform Guidance 2 CFR Part 200 and other appropriate guidelines.
- In accepting this award, the grantee agrees not to replace local program support with Total Federal/State Reimbursement and will contract for any aging services as identified through the county funding plan in accordance with policies and procedures established in the Division of Aging and Adult Services Manual of Policies and Procedures.
- Area Agencies on Aging shall obtain an annual audit which meets the requirements stated in OMB Circular A-133. All Service providers shall obtain an annual audit or provide financial statements as set forth in paragraph eleven (11) of the Home and Community Care Block Grant for Older Adults Agreement for the Provision of County-Based Services (DOA-735).
- Area Agencies on Aging shall comply with the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) by enrolling as a subrecipient in System for Award Management (SAM) Registration on an annual basis and providing required award information in the FFATA Subaward Reporting System per 2 CFR part 170.

In accepting this award, the area agency on aging agrees to maintain compliance with Section 306(a), (13), (14), and (15), of the Older Americans Act, as amended in 2006 with regards to contractual and commercial relationships.

It is understood that any deviation from the project as proposed in the Area Plan on Aging may result in termination of award funds. The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Aging and Adult Services may demand specific performance of any terms in the Area Plan on Aging when any deviation occurs in the fulfilling of the terms of the Project Grant.

Attachment A, Notification of Grant Award Summary SFY 2022-23, dated 6/21/2022, indicates grant amounts awarded under this Notification of Grant Award. Any requests for changes to the amounts listed therein must be requested in writing to the Division of Aging and Adult Services Budget Manager for approval.

By signatures on Attachment B, Federal Certifications, the area agency of aging certifies compliance with federal requirements regarding nondiscrimination; drug-free workplace; environmental tobacco smoke; debarment, suspension, ineligibility and voluntary exclusion lower tier covered transactions; and lobbying.

Joyce Massey-Smith, Director
Printed Name and Title of Authorized Official
Division of Aging and Adult Services

Geraldine Gardner
COG DIRECTOR NAME
Printed Name - LRO Executive Director

Signature

Signature

Date of Issuance: **06/21/2022**

Date of Acceptance

Linda Miller
AAA Director Name

DocuSigned by:
Linda Miller
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Signature - Area Agency Administrator

06/22/22 | 12:11 PM PDT

Date of Acceptance

Attachments:

- Attachment A: Notification of Annual Grant Award Summary SFY 2022-23
- Attachment B: Federal Certifications

ATTACHMENT B: FEDERAL CERTIFICATIONS

The undersigned states that:

1. He or she is the duly authorized representative of the Provider named below;
2. He or she is authorized to make, and does hereby make, the following certifications on behalf of the Provider, as set out herein:
 - a. The Certification Regarding Nondiscrimination;
 - b. The Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements;
 - c. The Certification Regarding Environmental Tobacco Smoke;
 - d. The Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion Lower Tier Covered Transactions; and
 - e. The Certification Regarding Lobbying;
3. He or she has completed the Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements by providing the addresses at which the contract work will be performed;
4. [Check the applicable statement]
 - [] He or she **has completed** the attached **Disclosure Of Lobbying Activities** because the Provider **has made, or has an agreement to make**, a payment to a lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action;
 - OR**
 - [] He or she **has not completed** the attached **Disclosure Of Lobbying Activities** because the Provider **has not made, and has no agreement to make**, any payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence any officer or employee of any agency, any Member of Congress, any officer or employee of Congress, or any employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action.
5. The Provider shall require its subcontractors, if any, to make the same certifications and disclosure.

Executive Director

Signature

Title

Provider Name

Date

[This Certification Must be Signed by the Same Individual Who Signed the Proposal Execution Page]

I. Certification Regarding Nondiscrimination

The Provider certifies that it will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (h) the Food Stamp Act and USDA policy, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of religion and political beliefs; and (i) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statutes which may apply to this Agreement.

II. Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

1. The Provider certifies that it will provide a drug-free workplace by:
 - a. Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the Provider's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;
 - b. Establishing a drug-free awareness program to inform employees about:
 - i. The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
 - ii. The Provider's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
 - iii. Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and
 - iv. The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;
 - c. Making it a requirement that each employee be engaged in the performance of the agreement be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);
 - d. Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the agreement, the employee will:
 - i. Abide by the terms of the statement; and
 - ii. Notify the employer of any criminal drug statute conviction for a violation occurring in the workplace no later than five days after such conviction;
 - e. Notifying the Department within ten days after receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(ii) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction;
 - f. Taking one of the following actions, within 30 days of receiving notice under subparagraph (d)(ii), with respect to any employee who is so convicted:
 - i. Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination; or
 - ii. Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency; and
 - g. Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f).
2. The sites for the performance of work done in connection with the specific agreement are listed below (list all sites; add additional pages if necessary):

Address

Street

City, State, Zip Code

Street

City, State, Zip Code

3. Provider will inform the Department of any additional sites for performance of work under this agreement.
4. False certification or violation of the certification may be grounds for suspension of payment, suspension or termination of grants, or government-wide Federal suspension or debarment. 45 C.F.R. 82.510.

III. Certification Regarding Environmental Tobacco Smoke

Public Law 103-227, Part C-Environmental Tobacco Smoke, also known as the Pro-Children Act of 1994 (Act), requires that smoking not be permitted in any portion of any indoor facility owned or leased or contracted for by an entity and used routinely or regularly for the provision of health, day care, education, or library services to children under the age of 18, if the services are funded by Federal programs either directly or through State or local governments, by Federal grant, contract, loan, or loan guarantee. The law does not apply to children's services provided in private residences, facilities funded solely by Medicare or Medicaid funds, and portions of facilities used for inpatient drug or alcohol treatment. Failure to comply with the provisions of the law may result in the imposition of a civil monetary penalty of up to \$1,000.00 per day and/or the imposition of an administrative compliance order on the responsible entity.

The Provider certifies that it will comply with the requirements of the Act. The Provider further agrees that it will require the language of this certification be included in any subawards that contain provisions for children's services and that all subgrantees shall certify accordingly.

IV. Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion Lower Tier Covered Transactions

Instructions

[The phrase "prospective lower tier participant" means the Provider.]

1. By signing and submitting this document, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of the fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originate may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
3. The prospective lower tier participant will provide immediate written notice to the person to whom this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
4. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered transaction," "participant," "person," "primary covered transaction," "principal," "proposal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549, 45 CFR Part 76. You may contact the person to whom this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, determined ineligible or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this document that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Nonprocurement List.
8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
9. Except for transactions authorized in paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension, and/or debarment.

Certification

1. **The prospective lower tier participant certifies**, by submission of this document, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
2. Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

V. Certification Regarding Lobbying

The Provider certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federally funded contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form SF-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions.
3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award document for subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) who receive federal funds of \$100,000.00 or more and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.
4. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000.00 and not more than \$100,000.00 for each such failure.

VI. Disclosure of Lobbying Activities

Instructions

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action. Use the SF-LLL-A Continuation Sheet for additional information if the space on the form is inadequate. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a follow-up report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.
4. Enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or sub-award recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
5. If the organization filing the report in Item 4 checks "Subawardee", then enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
6. Enter the name of the Federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (Item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
8. Enter the most appropriate Federal Identifying number available for the Federal action identified in Item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number, Invitation for Bid (IFB) number, grant announcement number, the contract grant, or loan award number, the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Include prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in Item 4 or 5.
10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the lobbying entity engaged by the reporting entity identified in Item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.
(b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10(a). Enter Last Name, First Name and Middle Initial (MI).
11. Enter the amount of compensation paid or reasonably expected to be paid by the reporting entity (Item 4) to the lobbying entity (Item 10). Indicate whether the payment has been made (actual) or will be made (planned). Check all boxes that apply. If this is a material change report, enter the cumulative amount of payment made or planned to be made.
12. Check the appropriate boxes. Check all boxes that apply. If payment is made through an in-kind contribution, specify the nature and value of the in-kind payment.
13. Check the appropriate boxes. Check all boxes that apply. If other, specify nature.
14. Provide a specific and detailed description of the services that the lobbyist has performed, or will be expected to perform, and the date(s) of any services rendered. Include all preparatory and related activity, not just time spent in actual contact with Federal officials. Identify the Federal official(s) or employee(s) contacted or the officer(s), employee(s), or Member(s) of Congress that were contacted.
15. Check whether or not a SF-LLL-A Continuation Sheet(s) is attached.
16. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, D. C. 20503

Disclosure Of Lobbying Activities
(Approved by OMB 0344-0046)

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352

<p>1. Type of Federal Action:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> a. contract</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> b. grant</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> c. cooperative agreement</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> d. loan</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> e. loan guarantee</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> f. loan insurance</p>	<p>2. Status of Federal Action:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> a. Bid/offer/application</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> b. Initial Award</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> c. Post-Award</p>	<p>3. Report Type:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> a. initial filing</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> b. material change</p> <p>For Material Change Only:</p> <p>Year _____ Quarter _____</p> <p>Date Of Last Report: _____</p>
<p>4. Name and Address of Reporting Entity:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Prime</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Subawardee Tier (if known) _____</p> <p>Congressional District (if known) _____</p>	<p>5. If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is Subawardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime:</p> <p>Congressional District (if known) _____</p>	
<p>6. Federal Department/Agency:</p>	<p>7. Federal Program Name/Description:</p> <p>CFDA Number (if applicable) _____</p>	
<p>8. Federal Action Number (if known)</p>	<p>9. Award Amount (if known) \$</p>	
<p>10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying Entity (if individual, last name, first name, MI):</p> <p align="center"><i>(attach Continuation Sheet(s) SF-LLL-A, if necessary)</i></p>	<p>b. Individuals Performing Services (including address if different from No. 10a.) (last name, first name, MI):</p> <p align="center"><i>(attach Continuation Sheet(s) SF-LLL-A, if necessary)</i></p>	
<p>11. Amount of Payment (check all that apply):</p> <p>\$ _____ € actual € planned</p>	<p>13. Type of Payment (check all that apply):</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> a. retainer</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> b. one-time fee</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> c. commission</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> d. contingent fee</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> e. deferred</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> f. other; specify: _____</p>	
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Notification of Grant Award Summary SFY 2022-23

Centralina Council of Governments

	Federal Amt.	State Amt.	Fed/State Total	Local Match Amt.	Total Funding	CFDA#	Fed. Award #
AAA Planning and Administration							
Title III-B Supportive Services	160,234		160,234	44,630	204,864	93.044	21/22 AANCT3SS
Title III-C1 Congregate Nutrition	277,463		277,463	77,283	354,746	93.045	21/22 AANCT3CM
Title III-E Family Caregiver Support	104,365		104,365	29,069	133,434	93.052	21/22 AANCT3FC
Planning and Administration State Funding		29,705	29,705		29,705		
State AAA Support (State Funds)		48,263	48,263		48,263		
Planning and Administration Total	542,062	77,968	620,030	150,982	771,012		
Home and Community Care Block Grant							
Title III-B Supportive Services	1,439,630		1,439,630	169,368	1,608,999	93.044	21/22 AANCT3SS
Title III-C1 Congregate Nutrition	2,001,131		2,001,131	235,427	2,236,558	93.045	21/22 AANCT3CM
Title III-C2 Home Delivered Meals	1,511,753		1,511,753	177,853	1,689,607	93.045	21/22 AANCT3HD
SSBG	453,734		453,734	95,087	548,821	93.667	
Home and Community Care Block Grant - State		5,844,566	5,844,566	572,393	6,416,959		
HCCBG Total	5,406,249	5,844,566	11,250,815	1,250,129	12,500,944		
Ombudsman							
Title III-B Supportive Svcs. For Ombudsman	319,779		319,779	37,621	357,400	93.044	21/22 AANCT3SS
Title VII Ombudsman	86,558		86,558	10,183	96,741	93.042	21/22 AANCT3OM
Ombudsman State Funds		191,987	191,987	18,655	210,642		
Ombudsman Total	406,337	191,987	598,324	66,459	664,783		
Legal Services	97,058	5,864	102,922	11,419	114,341	93.044	21/22 AANCT3SS
Title VII Elder Abuse Prevention	22,513	1,324	23,837	2,649	26,486		
Title III-D Health Promotion	135,678	7,981	143,659	15,962	159,621	93.043	21/22 AANCT3PH
Title III-E Family Caregiver Support Program	768,776	69,043	837,818	-	837,818	93.052	21/22 AANCT3FC
Senior Center General Purpose Funding		114,056	114,056	38,019	152,075		
Total Award	7,378,673	6,312,789	13,691,462	1,535,618	15,227,080		

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REGIONAL COUNCIL

Item 2

Board Agenda Item Cover Sheet

Board Meeting Date:	September 14, 2022	Agenda Item Type:	Consent:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Regular:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Submitting Person:	Michelle Nance	Presentation Time:	None			
Presenter at Meeting:	Michelle Nance & Jason Wager	Phone	(704) 348-2709			
		Email:	mnance@centralina.org			
Alternate Contact:	Jason Wager	Phone	(704) 348-2707			
		Email:	jwager@centralina.org			
Submitting Department:	Planning	Department Head	Michelle Nance			
Description of Agenda Item:						
<p>Staff seeks Board approval of an Amendment (Statement of Work) to a 2019 Interlocal Agreement with Charlotte Area Transit System (CATS) for the Implementation of CONNECT Beyond plan recommendations for fiscal years 2023-2025.</p>						
Background & Basis of Recommendations:						
<p>CONNECT Beyond Background:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Centralina Regional Council and the Charlotte Area Transit System (CATS) partnered from March 2020 to October 2021 to develop a 12-county, two state regional transit plan called CONNECT Beyond. ▪ The study was jointly funded by CATS; North Department of Transportation (NCDOT); South Carolina Department of Transportation (SCDOT); Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization; Cabarrus-Rowan Metropolitan Planning Organization, Gaston-Cleveland-Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization, and Rock Hill-Fort Mill Area Transportation Study. ▪ In October 2021, Centralina’s Board of Delegates and Metropolitan Transit Commission endorsed the CONNECT Beyond recommendations and final plan. <p>FY23-25 Centralina/CATS Statement of Work:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ CATS, Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization and Charlotte Department of Transportation have assembled funding to advance the CONNECT Beyond plan. ▪ Statement of Work covers fiscal years 2023-2025. For fiscal year 2023, expenditures under the Statement of Work are estimated to be \$699,859. These funds will be used for Centralina staff time as well as to engage a consultant team focused on implementation activities. No match is required from Centralina. ▪ Under the Statement of Work, Centralina in coordination with a consultant team and regional stakeholders will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Advance operational planning and coordination between transit providers in the 12-county CONNECT Beyond Region. 						

- Partner with stakeholders to advance activities related to land use and transit integration, mobility hub development, transit education and equity components.
- Develop a Regional Transportation Demand Management plan.
- Convene a regional committee of elected officials and stakeholders to provide direction on key activities related to regional coordination on funding and partnership strategies and provide critical guidance on project deliverables.
- Perform general project management duties such as project reporting, communications, consultant procurement and on-going consultant oversight.

Requested Action / Recommendation:

Motion authorizing the Executive Director to execute an amendment to the 2019 Interlocal Agreement with the Charlotte Area Transit System for the implementation of CONNECT Beyond plan recommendations for fiscal years 2023-2025.

Time Sensitivity:	Funds needed to begin CONNECT Beyond implementation work
Budget Impact:	\$699,859; no match required
Attachments:	FY23-25 Centralina/CATS Statement of Work and Scope of Services

**Centralina Services Agreement
FY2023-25 Statement of Work**

CONNECT Beyond Regional Mobility Plan Implementation (the “Project”)

This Statement of Work (“SOW”), dated as of the 1st day of July, 2022 (the “Effective Date”), is by and between CENTRALINA REGIONAL COUNCIL (Formerly “Centralina Council of Governments”), a North Carolina regional council of governments pursuant to Chapter 160A, Article 20, Part 2 of the General Statutes of North Carolina and having a principal place of business at 9815 David Taylor Drive, Suite 100, Charlotte, North Carolina 28262 (“Centralina”), and between CITY OF CHARLOTTE, a NC local government, and having a principal place of business at 600 East 4th Street Charlotte, NC 28202 (“Client”), pursuant to which Centralina will provide to Client planning and management services (the “Services”). Centralina and Client have previously entered into a Services Agreement dated January 1, 2020 (the “Agreement”). This SOW is hereby incorporated into the Agreement as a statement of work pursuant to Section 1.A. of the Agreement. In the event of any conflicting or additional terms between this SOW and the Agreement, the Agreement will govern, except with respect to price and scope of work, any “Other Terms and Conditions” included below that apply solely to this SOW, or other items expressly permitted by the Agreement.

I. Introduction

This document outlines the tasks and deliverables that constitute the Services under this SOW that Centralina shall provide to Client on a fixed fee basis in support of the Project, the compensation that Client shall pay to Centralina for the Services, and other Project support to be provided by Client. Primary contacts for the Project are as follows:

	Centralina	Client
Project Manager	Jason Wager, Assistant Planning Director	Jason Lawrence, Director of Planning
Email address	jwager@centralina.org	jlawrence@charlottenc.gov
Telephone No.	704-348-2707	704-330-3428

Centralina’s invoices shall be mailed to the Client’s Project Manager named above and to the Client’s Accounts Payables if listed below:

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Mailing Address, City, State, Zip	
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Telephone No.	

II. Services

Centralina will perform tasks and activities, and provide to Client the deliverables as described in the scope of services outlined in Attachment A: CONNECT Beyond Regional Mobility Plan Implementation FY23-25 Scope of Work. This scope represents the types of activities envisioned for this project. Actual services performed will be directed by work orders and will only include tasks that are fully funded. Work orders will be approved by signature by the Client’s Project Manager as designated above. All work orders will include a description of the work, the period

of performance, deliverables and due dates, estimated labor hours, expenses, and travel, and a total ceiling amount. All invoices will include a reference to the work order number. See Agreement's EXHIBIT C – Sample Work Order.

III. Time of Performance

The time of performance shall commence upon the Effective Date of this SOW and shall conclude on June 30, 2025.

IV. Compensation

Centralina will perform the tasks identified in this SOW using funds from a variety of sources such as the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization, the Charlotte Area Transit System, the NC Department of Transportation, and local sources. Client's contributions will be provided to Centralina and shall not exceed \$2,500,000.

Funding for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2023 is \$699,859. Additional project funding may be recognized at any time during the contract period through the work order process described above and can be approved by signature by the Client's Project Manager.

An upfront payment of \$100,000 shall be provided to Centralina within sixty (60) days of the Effective Date of this SOW. Client will be billed for the Services on a monthly basis up to the maximum amount provided in the fiscal year budget.

Any Party, through the work order process outlined above, and as allowed by underlying funding sources, may extend payment schedule outlined above.

V. Client's Additional Obligations

Client will provide, at its expense, the following Project support:

- A. Client agrees to coordinate funding from the City of Charlotte departments resulting in one point of contact for financial services. This includes funding from the Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization (CRTPO), and funding from the NC Department of Transportation, flowing through CRTPO.
- B. Client agrees to provide specifications and requirements for using federal funds and will provide templates for budgeting, invoicing, etc.
- C. Client staff will be assigned to serve on the project management team as key collaborators for the project.
- D. Meeting space will be provided for project team meetings and larger gatherings as rooms are available, free of charge.

[Signatures on following page.]

This Statement of Work has been executed by each Party's duly authorized representative as of the date below such Party's signature.

CENTRALINA REGIONAL COUNCIL

CITY OF CHARLOTTE

By: _____

By: _____

Name: Geraldine Gardner

Name: _____

Title: Executive Director

Title: _____

Date: _____

Date: _____

"This instrument has been pre-audited in the manner required by the North Carolina Local Government Finance Act."

Client Finance Officer

This instrument is approved as to form as required by Centralina Policy.

Centralina Legal Counsel

Centralina Services Agreement – FY2023 Statement of Work
Attachment A
CONNECT Beyond Regional Mobility Plan Implementation
FY23-25 Scope of Work

Project Purpose: The Centralina Regional Council (Centralina) in partnership with the Metropolitan Transit Commission (MTC), the Charlotte Area Transit System’s (CATS) policy board, have partnered to implement the recommendations of CONNECT Beyond Regional Mobility Plan. The purpose of implementing these recommendations is to:

- Guide and coordinate mobility investments for the next two decades to create a robust, interconnected public transit network that will combine high-capacity transit lines, enhanced bus services, local mobility options, and innovative transportation technologies;
- Develop and coordinate work with other regional partners on high-capacity transit corridors identified in CONNECT Beyond plan; and
- Develop recommendations around funding and partnership strategies that will assist the region in achieving its near and long-term mobility vision.

Project Geography: The CONNECT Beyond project area includes Anson, Cabarrus, Cleveland, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Rowan, Stanly, and Union counties in North Carolina and the urbanized areas of Lancaster and York counties in South Carolina (within the Rock Hill-Fort Mill Area Transportation Study geography).

Context: In October 2021, Centralina Regional Council’s Board of Delegates and CATS’ policy board, the Metropolitan Transit Commission, endorsed the CONNECT Beyond Regional Mobility Plan and its recommendations. The project has shifted from plan development to implementing the plan’s over 150 recommendations. Centralina and CATS will continue their sponsorship relationship and coordination responsibilities to implement the plan’s immediate and short-term recommendations.

Enlarge Scope of Work: Centralina Regional Council and CATS have previously entered into a Services Agreement for Centralina to provide planning and management services. In accordance with Article I of the Agreement, parties may agree in writing to amend, decrease or enlarge the scope of work for services provided by Centralina.

KEY DELIVERABLES

Key deliverables related to specific CONNECT Beyond immediate and near-term recommendations fall into one of five categories: Transit Implementation, Regional Planning, Mobility Choices, Funding & Partnerships, and Project Management. See below for a high-level summary of each category:

Transit Implementation: Includes implementation activities related to both fixed and on-demand transit operations, planning, scheduling and funding. Additionally, implementation activities related to specific corridor development (high-capacity transit, mobility and commuter rail) projects are also included here.

Regional Planning: Includes all implementation activities related to land use and transit integration, mobility hub development, transit education and equity components.

Mobility Choices: Includes all implementation activities related to transportation demand management, vanpools and emerging technologies.

Funding & Partnerships: Includes all implementation activities related to the Funding & Partnership Committee, regional legislative activities, regional coordination on funding and partnership strategies.

Project Management: Includes deliverables related to project management activities, including project management structure, communications, consultant procurement and on-going consultant oversight.

See below for an extensive list of key deliverables related to CONNECT Beyond immediate and short-term recommendations. There may be some deliverables that are not specified below but will arise as necessary to implement CONNECT Beyond recommendations.

I. TRANSIT IMPLEMENTATION:

Transit Agency Coordination

- A. Coordinate transit agencies through Mobility Managers group (and sub-groups as assigned) to implement key plan recommendations, including human services transit planning, coordination with urban transit systems, and system and service coordination among entire project area.
- B. Convene and support a new transit agency working group, Service Planning Working Group, to move forward recommendations concerning a regional fare study, technology integration and scheduling/route planning.
- C. Develop parameters for a Request for Qualifications for a consultant to assist with one or more of the following studies: regional fares, regional scheduling/route planning and technology integration. Project management team will lead efforts on consultant interviews, selection and contract negotiations.
- D. Provide high-level technical consultation and advisement to neighboring counties and municipalities in the development of high-capacity transit corridors that will connect or serve CATS existing and future facilities, services, and assets.
- E. Partner with North Carolina Department of Transportation as well as neighboring counties and municipalities in the development of future passenger rail (inter-city rail) to the Charlotte Gateway Station.
- F. Continue to work closely with Transportation Planning Organizations (TPO)s and transit agencies on incorporating plan recommendations into long range transportation plans and identify opportunities to support projects related to CONNECT Beyond recommendations.
- G. Regional coordination and education around opportunities related to Gateway Station and early activities required among regional jurisdictions to support its success.

II. REGIONAL PLANNING:

Transit Education

- A. Develop and implement ongoing transit education to advise the region on the value of transit and multimodal options, communicate current and future availability, develop transit champions, and maintain/build new partnerships and coalitions around transit activities.
- B. Conduct transit education through Centralina Learns program, presentations to boards, committees, and through professional development organizations, and development of locally relevant transit education materials.

Mobility Hubs

- A. Engage communities, TPOs and transit agencies to identify core needs and develop regional mobility hub programmatic options as first step toward regional mobility hub implementation.
- B. Develop products and services to support local investments within mobility hubs, coordinate opportunities between TDM programmatic elements and mobility hub geographies, and coordinate project investments between partners, e.g. NCDOT project, employer mobility improvements, development review, etc.
- C. Demonstrate benefits of investments in mobility hubs through messaging and visualization of value per acre, increased access to jobs, housing access, and ability to meet other community and regional goals.
- D. Seek funds to support key recommendations related to planning, design, and investment within designated mobility hubs, including programs to support rural communities and enhance place/mobility in designated mobility hubs.

Equity and Access

- A. Maintain existing and expand on transit equity data and mapping to monitor impacts of transit service investments.
- B. Assist regional partners as CONNECT Beyond implementation activities take shape locally with integration of equity and access considerations, best practices, and partnerships into project elements.

III. MOBILITY CHOICES:

Develop Regional Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Program

- A. Identify and convene stakeholders to develop a Request for Qualifications and secure a consultant.
- B. Support consultant activity to develop the regional TDM program structure, identify and benchmark performance metrics, identify regional hot spots for enhanced emphasis, and identify staffing needs and potential local service providers. Project management team will lead efforts on consultant interviews, selection and contract negotiations.
- C. Convene and support a regional Advisory Committee as outlined in CONNECT Beyond recommendations to oversee regional TDM program.

- D. Project management team will oversee consultant work product, providing periodic reports to both Centralina Board of Delegates and the MTC.

Emerging Technologies Activities

- A. Refresh the Connected & Autonomous Vehicle (CAV) Roadmap for the region and update the CAV Task Force work plan for 2022-23 to include specific coordination with transit and applicable recommendations from CONNECT Beyond.
- B. Develop, convene and support a new Emerging Technologies Working Group.
- C. As part of CONNECT Beyond Service Planning Working Group activities, coordinate with area transit providers to develop an assessment of key technical capacities needed in the long-term including technology upgrades (e.g., vehicle electrification, connected vehicle technology), training needs for the transit workforce of the future, and pilot projects to demonstrate mobility technology.

IV. FUNDING & PARTNERSHIPS

Funding and Partnership Committee

- A. Facilitate meetings of the Funding & Partnership Working Group; Committee responsibilities will include development of a revenue and partnership analysis and development of a legislative strategy. Committee will also have responsibilities around regional coordination related to any current or future funding-related initiatives.
- B. Seek funding for consultant to evaluate: (1) Analysis of revenue opportunities for transit funding in region by funding type, geography and timeframe; and (2) Analysis of potential partnership structures that may work for region.
- C. MTC and CATS will have representation on the Funding and Partnership Committee. As part of the project management team, CATS will review and provide feedback on materials used in Committee meetings.
- D. Funding and Partnership Committee will have representation and coordination with the region's Transportation Planning Organizations.

V. PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Project Management Structure

- A. A core project management team of technical staff, led by CATS' Director of Planning and Centralina's Assistant Regional Planning Director, will guide the project development and be responsible for daily project management and decisions.
- B. Complex, far-reaching, and/or funding decisions will be sent to the project sponsors, CATS' CEO and Centralina's Executive Director, for resolution and/or additional coordination within the governance structure noted below.

- C. As future issues arise, they will first go to the project management team for resolution. When deemed necessary, issues will be elevated to the project sponsor team for final decision.
- D. The project management team will be responsible for developing a communications strategy that will keep regional stakeholders informed about the latest CONNECT Beyond implementation activities.

Project Communication

- A. Carry out the project's communication strategy for stakeholders, including quarterly newsletters, website updates, social media and continued engagement with regional partners to promote plan, informing about milestones, results, opportunities for involvement, etc.
- B. Centralina will monitor and develop reports for funding sponsors as well as develop an annual regional report to be shared with Centralina's Board of Delegates, MTC, Transportation Planning Organizations and other elected Boards.

Consultant Selection and Management

- A. Centralina will solicit one or more consultants to provide technical assistance with key deliverables included in this Services Agreement. For each consultant, this will include issuing a Request for Qualifications (RFQ), managing submittals, selecting a consultant interview team, administering interviews, and selecting a consultant. CATS staff will be involved in all aspects of this process as part of the project management team.
- B. Centralina will administer contract negotiations and will execute an approved contract with the consultant(s).
- C. Centralina will serve as the consultant management organization, handling daily coordination and billing and invoicing associated with the consultant(s).



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Item 3

Board Agenda Item Cover Sheet

Board Meeting Date:	September 14, 2022	Agenda Item Type:	Consent:	X	Regular:	
Submitting Person:	Geraldine Gardner	Presentation Time:				
Presenter at Meeting:	Geraldine Gardner	Phone Number:	704-351-7130			
		Email:	ggardner@centralina.org			
Alternate Contact:		Phone Number:				
		Email:				
Submitting Department:	Administration	Department Head Approval:	Geraldine Gardner			
Description of Agenda Item:						
<p>The Executive Board is asked to approve the annual IT managed service contract with Brightflow Technologies in the amount of \$80,400.</p>						
Background & Basis of Recommendations:						
<p>Since 2017, Centralina has been contracting with Brightflow Technologies for managed IT services. Since 2020, the Executive Board has approved an annual managed service agreement under Brightflow's "Elite" plan which provides unlimited helpdesk support, cyber security monitoring, monthly on-site visits and leased IT equipment (BrightflowNetwork).</p> <p>Centralina would like to renew the one-year service agreement with Brightflow for a total annual cost \$80,400 or \$6,700 per month. This is an \$9,000 total increase over last year's contract, which is partially attributed to charges for BrightflowNetwork lease equipment that was previously credited to our account.</p> <p>While Centralina is satisfied with Brightflow services, staff will conduct a request for proposal process ahead of next year's renewal timeline to ensure we are receiving competitive pricing and optimal service to meet our needs.</p>						
Requested Action / Recommendation:						
<p>Motion to approve the FY23 managed IT services agreement with Brightflow Technologies in the amount of \$80,400.</p>						
Time Sensitivity: <i>(none or explain)</i>	Current agreement expires this month					
Budget Impact: <i>(none or explain)</i>	\$80,400 annually					
Attachments: <i>(none or list)</i>	Proposed Brightflow Services Agreement					

MANAGED IT & CYBERSECURITY SERVICES

PROPOSAL

We focus on your IT so you can focus on your business growth. Our experienced team work with you to guide your technology strategies, helping you align them with your business and process workflows. We provide strategic consulting and implementation planning for all your IT needs.

PREPARED FOR:
Geraldine Gardner
Company Name
Centralina Regional Council



STATEMENT OF WORK

Project Description

BrightFlow Technologies LLC will be renewing the existing support contract. This includes unlimited* helpdesk hours, proactive hardware monitoring, backups, and security services. This also includes 1 onsite day per month.

This contract is similar to the past contracts with the following updates:

- Hours are now rollover hours and capped at 50 per month. You are averaging 75 hours per month over the last 12 months and we want to work with you to reduce this.
- BrightNetwork was credited for the first year. We have 4 switches, 2 access points, and 1 firewall onsite that we have now added to the invoice.

*Unlimited Hours are limited to 50 rollover hours per month. Anything over 50 hours is billed at a reduced hourly rate of \$100

[All terms and conditions are governed by the BrightFlow Master Services Agreement.](#)

DESCRIPTION	PRICE	QTY	SUBTOTAL
BrightCare	\$125	50	\$6,000
Fully Managed IT - BrightCare ELITE	\$120		\$6,000
Computer monitoring, cloud backups, Webroot antivirus security, and *unlimited remote helpdesk support included. This includes 1 onsite day per week 4 hours **After hours & project rates still apply**	Discount -5\$		Discount -0%
BrightServer: Maintenance with Cloud Backup	\$150	3	\$450
24/7 Monitoring of servers. Unlimited cloud based backups. All support included.			
BrightNetwork: Hardware and Support	\$250	1	\$250
1 Fortinet unified gateway firewall with UTM, VPN, and unlimited support. 4 - 48 Port FortiSwitch GIG Speed 2 - Forti Access Points			
Cybersecurity Services	\$15	79	\$1,185
Office Protect Email Security and reporting			\$0
Dropsuite Email and Sharepoint backup			Discount -100%
Cybersecurity awareness training			
<i>Total</i>			\$6,700
<i>Total Savings</i>			\$1,435

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Geraldine Gardner



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Item 4



Board Agenda Item Cover Sheet

Board Meeting Date:	September 14, 2022	Agenda Item Type:	Consent:	X	Regular:	
Submitting Person:	Denise Strosser	Presentation Time:	N/A			
Presenter at Meeting:	Denise Strosser	Phone Number:	704-348-2704			
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Alternate Contact:	Geraldine Gardner	Phone Number:	704-351-7130			
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Submitting Department:	Finance	Department Head Approval:	Denise Strosser			
Description of Agenda Item:						
Presentation of the final amended budgets as approved by the Finance Committee on June 29, 2022.						
Background & Basis of Recommendations:						
On June 11, 2022, the Executive Board delegated to the Finance Committee authorization to meet and approve the final amended operating and pass-through budgets to reflect changes to revenue and expenditures for FY21-22. The final approved budgets are to then be presented to the Executive Board at the first scheduled meeting after June 30, 2022.						
Requested Action / Recommendation:						
Receive as information.						
Time Sensitivity: <i>(none or explain)</i>	None					
Budget Impact: <i>(none or explain)</i>	None					
Attachments: <i>(none or list)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Operating Budget Ordinance Amendment • Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Grant Pass-Through Budget Amendment 					

Fiscal Year 2021 - 2022 Operating Budget Ordinance Amendment

ANTICIPATED REVENUES	Placeholder FY21-2022 Budget	10.31.2021 FY21-2022 Budget	11.30.2021 FY21-2022 Budget	02.28.2022 FY21-2022 Budget	05.24.22 FY21-2022 Budget	6.29.22 FY21-2022 Budget	Net change
Program Revenues							
Restricted Intergovernmental Revenue	3,525,000	4,498,453	4,462,830	4,598,816	4,671,071	5,032,542	361,471
Technical Assistance Projects	1,500,000	1,001,825	1,168,485	1,208,083	1,277,187	1,307,233	30,046
Other Program Revenue	750,000	692,453	686,579	648,129	681,018	718,543	37,525
Fund Balance Appropriated	-	270,437	307,479	270,000	270,000	270,000	-
Total Program Revenue	5,775,000	6,463,168	6,625,373	6,725,028	6,899,276	7,328,318	429,042
							-
Other Revenues							
Member Dues Support	890,000	908,784	910,000	910,000	910,000	910,000	-
Interest and Other Revenue	3,000	-	1,000	1,000	1,000	3,000	2,000
Total Other Revenues	893,000	908,784	911,000	911,000	911,000	913,000	2,000
TOTAL ANTICIPATED REVENUES	6,668,000	7,371,952	7,536,373	7,636,028	7,810,276	8,241,318	431,042
EXPENSE APPROPRIATIONS							
Member services, Board and committees	350,000	275,299	279,299	308,449	349,070	349,070	-
Management and Business Operations	1,900,000	1,997,642	2,034,047	2,001,806	1,994,909	2,012,836	17,927
Information Technology	160,000	166,220	166,220	166,720	171,720	179,338	7,618
Community and Economic Development Depart.	990,000	913,026	1,042,690	1,183,208	1,248,750	1,214,068	(34,682)
Planning Department	1,909,000	1,311,642	1,336,478	1,267,224	1,283,381	1,346,713	63,332
Area Agency on Aging Department	2,300,000	3,387,118	3,347,102	3,400,614	3,443,132	3,843,178	400,046
Workforce Development Department	950,000	946,054	950,447	950,447	951,403	951,476	73
Indirect Costs Representation	(1,891,000)	(1,625,049)	(1,619,910)	(1,642,440)	(1,632,089)	(1,655,361)	(23,272)
TOTAL EXPENSE APPROPRIATIONS	6,668,000	7,371,952	7,536,373	7,636,028	7,810,276	8,241,318	431,042

Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Grant Pass Through Budgets Amendment

Program	Placeholder FY221-2022 Budget	10.30.2021 FY2021-2022 Budget	11.30.2021 FY2021-2022 Budget	03.21.2022 FY2021-2022 Budget	05.24.2022 FY2021-2022 Budget	06.29.2022 FY2021-2022 Budget
Area Agency on Aging						
HCC Block Grant	9,850,000	9,992,458	9,992,458	9,992,458	9,992,458	11,992,458
USDA Supplement	650,000 (1)	650,000	650,000	650,000	650,000	650,000
Title III-B Legal	85,000	88,405	88,405	88,405	88,405	188,405
Family Caregiver	520,000	555,020	555,020	555,020	555,020	555,020
Disease Prevention/Health Promotion	40,000	55,000	55,000	55,000	55,000	55,000
State Senior Center General Purpose	120,000	119,835	119,835	119,835	119,835	119,835
Heat Fan Relief	15,000	14,363	14,363	14,363	14,363	14,363
Families First	-	56,058	56,058	56,058	56,058	78,983
CARES HCC Block Grant	250,000	1,264,229	1,264,229	1,264,229	1,264,229	1,338,653
Supplemental Nutrition	-	763,729	763,729	763,729	763,729	763,729
	<u>11,530,000</u>	<u>13,559,097</u>	<u>13,559,097</u>	<u>13,559,097</u>	<u>13,559,097</u>	<u>15,756,446</u>
<i>(1) This program does not have a lump sum authorization currently. It is authorized at .75 per meal. Current Authorization is an estimate.</i>						
Workforce Development						
WIOA - XX-4010 Administrative Cost Pool	50,000	110,900	110,900	110,900	119,944	119,944
WIOA XX-4020 Adult Services	1,097,000	1,194,675	1,194,675	1,229,675	1,229,675	1,229,675
WIOA XX-4030 Dislocated Worker	955,000	992,209	992,209	957,209	957,209	957,209
WIOA XX-4040 Youth Services	995,000	1,172,304	1,172,304	1,172,304	1,172,304	1,172,304
WIOA XX-4050 Youth Initiative	-	83,469	83,469	83,469	83,469	83,469
WIOA XX-4050 Finish Line Grant	20,000	112,891	112,891	112,891	112,891	239,712
WIOA XX- XXXX Infrastructure Cost	85,000	96,108	96,108	96,108	96,108	96,109
WIOA NC Works Innovation Fund	-	182,424	182,425	182,425	182,425	182,425
NDWG COVID 2X-3130	80,000	250,322	250,322	250,322	250,322	250,322
	<u>3,282,000</u>	<u>4,195,302</u>	<u>4,195,303</u>	<u>4,195,303</u>	<u>4,204,347</u>	<u>4,331,169</u>
Total Grant	<u>14,812,000</u>	<u>17,754,399</u>	<u>17,754,400</u>	<u>17,754,400</u>	<u>17,763,444</u>	<u>20,087,615</u>



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Item 5



**Executive Board Virtual Meeting Minutes
June 8, 2022**

Officers Present	Board Members Present	Board Members Not Present	Centralina Staff and Guests Present
Bobby Compton, Chairman Jarvis Woodburn, Secretary	Cathy Davis Larken Egleston Darrell Hinnant Gene Houpe Corinthia Lewis-Lemon Elaine Powell Lynn Shue Amelia Stinson-Wesley David Williams	Karen Alexander Peter Ascitutto Brittany Barnhardt Martha Sue Hall Bob Hovis Jay McCosh, Vice Chairman Pedro Morey William Morgan, Treasurer Christine Poinsette Jennifer Stepp	Nina Barrett Connor Choka Patricia Cowan Christina Danis Geraldine Gardner Katie Kutcher Debi Lee Linda Miller Michelle Nance Sherika Rich Denise Strosser Lindsay Tice Kelly Weston Venecia White Guests Leslie Mazingo, Strategics Consulting

Call to Order

Chairman Bobby Compton, Town of Mooresville, called the meeting to order.

Kelly Weston, Clerk to the Board, called roll and noted that a quorum was present.

Moment of Silence

Chairman Compton called for a moment of silence.

Amendments to the Agenda.

There were no amendments to the agenda.

Consent Agenda

- 1. Approval of Strategics Consulting Contract Renewal**
- 2. Approval of NC Association of Regional Councils of Government Contract for American Rescue Plan Act Support Services**
- 3. Approval of NC Association of Regional Councils of Government Contract for Disaster Recovery Support Services**
- 4. Approval of UNC Asheville Subaward Agreement**
- 5. Approval of Green & Healthy Homes Initiative Agreement**
- 6. Approval of Premiere Communications Contract**
- 7. FY22 Budget Amendment**
- 8. Finance Committee Authorization**
- 9. Approval of the April 13, 2022 Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

Commissioner Gene Houpe, Iredell County, made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mayor Darrell Hinnant, City of Kannapolis, seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

10. FY23 Compensation Recommendations

Geraldine Gardner, Executive Director, presented an overview of Centralina's compensation challenges. She noted that the organization's pay ranges have not changed since the last compensation study completed five years ago and are not reflective of the current market. She also noted that the organization has provided 2-3% annual increases for the past eight years, which is not always in keeping with the cost of living. She presented an update on the compensation study in progress, adding that the study findings should address inequities or salary compression and create career pathways. She recommended a two-phased approach to the FY23 compensation plan that included a 5% across-the-board increase in the first phase and a reserve pool of \$169,000 for additional adjustments in the second phase. She noted that both phases are funded fully in the FY23 budget.

Commissioner Houpe made a motion to approve the FY23 compensation approach, which includes a 5% across the board increase with a minimum increase for eligible employees and a reserve pool of \$169,000 to implement recommendations from the pay and classification study. Commissioner Lynn Shue, Cabarrus County, seconded the motion.

In response to a question from Commissioner Elaine Powell, Mecklenburg County, Ms. Gardner explained that the recommendations from the pay and classification study will include an analysis of how to address salary compression. She added that she will consider those recommendations when making the first round of investments in the second phase of the proposed compensation approach.

The motion carried unanimously.

11. Federal Relations Update

Leslie Mazingo, Strategics Consulting, presented highlights from the Strategics Consulting performance report. She noted a \$1 million funding request sponsored by Congresswoman Alma Adams for an affordable housing initiative. She also noted that Congressman Ted Budd took the lead on a letter expressing bipartisan support for appropriations language encouraging regionalism in competitive grants. She further noted that Grants Alerts containing funding opportunities offered through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law are released weekly.

Commissioner Houpe made a motion to accept the Strategics Consulting performance report for April through May 2022 and the Federal Relations Annual Report for July 2021 through June 2022. Secretary Jarvis Woodburn, Anson County, seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

12. Strategic Plan Briefing

Ms. Gardner presented an update on the strategic planning process. She shared a proposed, revised vision statement and a set of updated values. She also presented four new goals focusing on regional collaboration, local government support, service delivery, and operations. She noted that investing in talent development is her top priority for the new fiscal year. She also noted that other priorities include creating an organizational structure that serves Centralina's long-term interests, building capacity, and expanding partnerships and business development strategies. She outlined next steps in the strategic planning process, which include finalizing three-year strategies that support each goal, finalizing the FY23 workplan, and presenting the final strategic plan and FY23 workplan for a vote at the August Board of Delegates meeting.

Chairman Compton suggested that the Executive Board take formal action to endorse the strategic plan framework Ms. Gardner presented before it goes to the Board of Delegates in August.

Secretary Woodburn made a motion to endorse the strategic plan framework draft. Council Member Corinthia Lewis-Lemon, Town of Morven, seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Comments from the Executive Board and Centralina Staff

There were no comments from the Executive Board or Centralina Staff.

Comments from the Executive Director

Ms. Gardner reported that she, Ms. Weston, and Michelle Nance, Regional Planning Director, had a series of successful briefings with state legislators in Raleigh yesterday. She also noted that Ms. Weston is transitioning out of the Clerk to the Board role and into the role of Government Affairs and Member Engagement Coordinator. She added that Connor Choka, Resilience Analyst, will assume the Clerk role beginning in July.

Ms. Weston thanked the Executive Board for their ongoing engagement and support of Centralina, adding that she looks forward to continuing to work with them in a new capacity.

Linda Miller, Area Agency on Aging Director, reported that the North Carolina Division of Aging and Adult Services is finalizing a restart plan to allow community advisory committee volunteers to begin visiting long-term care facilities again.

Comments from the Chair

Chairman Compton thanked Ms. Weston for her assistance as Clerk to the Board through the years.

He noted that the Board of Delegates meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 10th at the new Centralina office.

He expressed his thanks to Centralina staff, adding that the approval of the compensation plan was well-deserved.

He presented honorary resolutions recognizing the contributions of Treasurer William Morgan, City of Statesville, and Council Member Larken Egleston, City of Charlotte.

Adjournment

With no further business to be discussed, Chairman Compton adjourned the meeting at 5:49 p.m.



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Item 6

Board Agenda Item Cover Sheet

Board Meeting Date:	September 14, 2022	Agenda Item Type:	Consent:		Regular:	X
Submitting Person:	Kelly Weston	Presentation Time:	10 minutes			
Presenter at Meeting:	Leslie Mozingo	Phone Number:	202-255-5760			
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Alternate Contact:	Geraldine Gardner	Phone Number:	704-348-2703			
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Submitting Department:	Government Affairs & Member Engagement	Department Head Approval:	Geraldine Gardner			
Description of Agenda Item:						
<p>Leslie Mozingo, Strategics Consulting, will present an update on Centralina's federal relations efforts, including a performance report of activities for June through August 2022.</p>						
Background & Basis of Recommendations:						
<p>Since 2015, Centralina has contracted with Strategics Consulting for federal relations consulting services. The Executive Board has requested that Ms. Mozingo present performance metrics reports at each of its meetings.</p>						
Requested Action / Recommendation:						
<p>Motion to accept the Strategics Consulting performance report for June through August 2022.</p>						
Time Sensitivity: <i>(none or explain)</i>	None					
Budget Impact: <i>(none or explain)</i>	None					
Attachments: <i>(none or list)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goals and Activities for Strategics Consulting: June – August 2022 Report 					

GOALS AND ACTIVITIES FOR STRATEGICS CONSULTING JUNE – AUGUST 2022 REPORT

- 1. Build, maintain and enhance relationships with Members of Congress and the federal agencies**
 - Communicated with congressional offices regarding FY23 Appropriations for programs, requested language and project funding.
 - Attended U.S. Department of Transportation virtual meetings with intergovernmental staff.
 - Prepared analysis of redistricting changes to November elections and impact on region's congressional representation.

- 2. Develop advocacy strategies around the approved Federal Action Plan on regional priorities and implement in coordination with Centralina's management**
 - Presented to Executive Board and Regional Managers at their respective June meetings and the Board of Delegates at August meeting.
 - Updated Federal Relations Calendar for, and participated in, biweekly calls with ED.
 - Prepared Annual Report.
 - Provided update to ED for sharing with members on the pending funding for Housing Preservation Initiative.
 - Communicated with ED on strategy for Fall Advocacy and meetings after November elections.

- 3. Provide information and support related to federal grant opportunities in coordination with Centralina staff**
 - Provided weekly Grants Alerts.
 - Shared individual notices when appropriate, such as webinar on U.S. Department of Labor funding opportunities; White House Summit on the ARP and the Workforce; regional winners for Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC); new BIL grants specific to transportation; and the new Promoting Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program that encourages states to work with regional and local partner organizations.
 - Updated Annual Forecast with grants expected in second half of the year.
 - Participated in webinars on Bipartisan Infrastructure Law grants.
 - Shared notice on ARP second tranche payment process and update from Treasury Department on ARP affordable housing flexibility.
 - Identified increased funding and new laws created by the gun reform bill.
 - Prepared analysis of Inflation Reduction Act with focus on funding for local governments.
 - Wrote two Capital Corner entries to update membership on federal legislation and the appropriations process.

- 4. Respond to trouble shooting requests from members and Centralina on federal issues**
 - No requests received.

For more information, contact Leslie Mazingo at (202) 255-5760 or leslie@strategics.consulting.



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Item 7

Board Agenda Item Cover Sheet

Board Meeting Date:	September 14, 2022	Agenda Item Type:	Consent:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Regular:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Submitting Person:	Michelle Nance	Presentation Time:	15 minutes			
Presenter at Meeting:	Michelle Nance & Jason Wager	Phone	(704) 348-2709			
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Alternate Contact:	Jason Wager	Phone	(704) 348-2707			
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Submitting Department:	Planning	Department Head	Michelle Nance			
Description of Agenda Item:						
<p>Staff will provide key updates related to the CONNECT Beyond project and recommends Board Chairman form a Centralina Board subcommittee (CONNECT Beyond Advancing the Plan Subcommittee) to provide guidance on implementating the plan's recommendations.</p>						
Background & Basis of Recommendations:						
<p><u>CONNECT Beyond Updates:</u> Centralina Regional Council, in cooperation with the Metropolitan Transit Commission (MTC) and other regional partners, is playing a critical role in implementing CONNECT Beyond recommendations. To this end, CONNECT Beyond has made great progress and would like to update the board on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All North Carolina Metropolitan and Rural Planning Organizations have formally recognized the plan - Fully executed contract with NC DOT to begin development of a regional Transportation Demand Management (TDM) plan, a key CONNECT Beyond plan recommendation. - In addition to the item on your consent agenda (funding from CATS, CRTPO, Charlotte DOT), we are also in process of securing implementation funding from: Gaston-Cleveland-Lincoln Metropolitan Planning Organization and NCDOT - Recent successful Centralina Learns training sessions on Mobility Hubs and Creating Mobility Friendly Places, with more planned for FY23 - In partnership with Centralina AAA, development of a Transportation Guide for Older Adults and People with Disabilities - Statewide APA-NC Award recognition for project - National recognition of project at conferences and for work related to transit equity in evaluating mobility investments <p><u>Advancing the Plan Subcommittee:</u></p>						

During the plan process, Centralina convened a small group of project advisors, the Funding & Partnerships Working Group, which recommended creating a formal committee to further explore regional funding and partnership opportunities and guide the implementation of CONNECT Beyond recommendations. This committee, CONNECT Beyond Advancing the Plan Committee, will serve in this role. The Committee will also ensure that interests from across the region are heard; provide a forum for communication across jurisdictional lines; and serve as the test ground for collective action on regional mobility projects. The Committee will function as a formal subcommittee of Centralina Regional Council’s Board of Delegates, with Co-Chair appointments from the Centralina Board and the MTC, with Committee members from across the region.

Staff recommends Board Chairman form a subcommittee of the Board of Delegates, “CONNECT Beyond Advancing the Plan Committee” to collaborate with regional stakeholders and advise Centralina on plan implementation.

Staff recommends the appointment of a Centralina Board member as Co-Chair of the Committee.

Requested Action / Recommendation:

Receive as information.

Time Sensitivity:	Expect first Subcommittee meeting to convene in late fall 2022
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Budget Impact:	None
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Attachments:	CONNECT Beyond Advancing the Plan Committee Overview
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CONNECT Beyond Advancing the Plan Committee

Background:

CONNECT Beyond Project Overview:

CONNECT Beyond is a regional mobility plan that will transform how residents and visitors travel throughout the 12-county Charlotte region. The result of an 18-month stakeholder driven process, the first-of-its kind plan includes over 150 recommendations that will serve as the blueprint for how to implement a robust, interconnected transportation network across the region. Lead project sponsors are: Centralina Regional Council (Centralina) and the Metropolitan Transit Commission (MTC).

2021 Funding & Partnership Working Group

In the Spring of 2021, Centralina convened a small group of project advisors to (1) assess the current state of funding and partnerships in the region and (2) develop an initial scan of partnership models from peer agencies across the country. Out of a series of meetings, the Funding & Partnerships Working Group recommended creating a formal committee to further explore regional funding and partnership opportunities and to help guide the implementation of CONNECT Beyond recommendations.

Advancing the Plan Committee

Purpose:

The CONNECT Beyond Advancing the Plan Committee will serve as a steering committee with responsibilities for implementing the CONNECT Beyond regional mobility plan. The Committee will ensure that interests from across the region are heard, provide a forum for communication across jurisdictional lines, and serve as the test ground for collective action on regional mobility projects.

Objectives:

- Provide input on **high level strategy decisions/direction** related to CONNECT Beyond near-term implementation, including:

- Coordinated efforts on **seeking federal funds** and **legislative strategies**;
- **Funding & Partnerships recommendations** that identify possible funding sources and explore regional partnership structures;
- Specific **CONNECT Beyond programs**: Transportation Demand Management (TDM); and a Regional Scheduling and Operations Coordination Study
- Ensure **regional coordination and representation across major regional transportation projects, funding opportunities and plans** (CONNECT Beyond, Beyond 77, MPO and RPO Plans, Human Services Coordinated Planning)
- **Facilitate communication** about CONNECT Beyond implementation activities among and between Committee members and their respective organizations, as well as with key regional leadership

Membership

The CONNECT Beyond Advancing the Plan Committee will include representatives from the Centralina Board, the MTC, key elected officials and town/city/county managers from across the region, NC Department of Transportation Board members and Transportation Planning Organization Board members.

Format

The Committee will function as a **formal subcommittee** of Centralina Regional Council's Board of Delegates, with Co-Chair appointments from the Centralina Board and MTC, and Committee members from across the region. Meetings will be held on a quarterly basis.

Timing and Next Steps

- Committee is forming in Summer/Fall 2022; Regional partners are being asked to make Committee member appointments
- Committee kick off meeting expected in **Fall 2022**



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Item 8

Board Agenda Item Cover Sheet

Board Meeting Date:	September 14, 2022	Agenda Item Type:	Consent:		Regular:	X
Submitting Person:	Kelly Weston	Presentation Time:	10 minutes			
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Description of Agenda Item:						
Staff will present an overview of Centralina's grants services offerings.						
Background & Basis of Recommendations:						
As a partner to local governments, Centralina works to provide grants support and outreach to its members. The resources we provide include information about funding opportunities, grants research and strategy development assistance.						
Requested Action / Recommendation:						
Receive as information.						
Time Sensitivity: <i>(none or explain)</i>	None					
Budget Impact: <i>(none or explain)</i>	None					
Attachments: <i>(none or list)</i>	None					