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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT

DATE: April 16th, 2025

TO: Mayor and City Council

APPROVED BY: Rick Daniels, Interim City Manager *Rick*

PREPARED BY: Juan Contreras, Interim Fire Chief *JRC*

REVIEWED BY: Karla Chaparro, Finance Director *KC*

SUBJECT: Adopt a Resolution ratifying the grant application in the amount of \$46,289.63 accepting funding from T-Mobile USA, Inc., and authorizing the Acting City Manager to execute the Visual Content License Agreement and any document(s) related to the implementation of the T-Mobile Hometown Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2024/2025.

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Recommendation:

Adopt a Resolution Ratifying the Grant Application in the Amount of \$46,289.63. It is recommended that the City Council of the City of Calexico approve the resolution with the following actions:

1. Ratification of a grant application in the amount of \$46,289.63.
2. Acceptance of a grant from T-Mobile USA, Inc. through the Hometown Grants Program to install new fire hose technology at the Calexico Fire Department, allowing more water to be put on a fire while exerting less resistance to the firefighter applying the water.
3. Approval and execution of the Visual Content License Agreement and any document(s) related to the implementation of this grant.

Background:

In April 2021, T-Mobile launched a five-year commitment to small towns through its Hometown Grants initiative. The program supports community-driven projects to improve infrastructure, foster community pride, and stimulate local economies.

As part of the March 2025 round of recipients, the City of Calexico was awarded a Hometown Grant of up to \$46,289.63. The funds are designated for the purchase and installation of advanced fire hose technology at the Calexico Fire Department, enabling enhanced water output with less physical strain on firefighters.

This award places Calexico among 375 cities and towns nationwide that have benefited from over \$16 million in community development funding from T-Mobile to date.

Discussion and Analysis:

The grant-funded fire hose technology will significantly improve firefighting capabilities in Calexico. By reducing water resistance and improving flow, the equipment ensures both greater efficiency and safety for the city's emergency response personnel.

In conjunction with the funding, T-Mobile has requested the city sign a Visual Content License Agreement to allow the use of photo or video materials from Calexico to produce their Q4 2024 Hometown Grant Announcement Video. The agreement permits T-Mobile to use and modify submitted content in perpetuity, with full indemnification for the city.

The agreement has been reviewed and presents no financial or legal risks to the City. It offers positive exposure to a national audience while promoting the achievements of Calexico's public services.

Project Overview:

The City of Calexico Fire Department, with the help of T-Mobile and Hometown Grants, is acquiring a new and improved fire hose and nozzle system to outfit our responding fire engines. This new hose system from Kev Hose is called Combat Sniper Attack Hose and Nozzles will allow for delivery of more gallonage with decrease push back pressure on the firefighter. This will benefit the community by giving the advantage of putting more water on a fire quicker, providing a decrease in property damage and an increased advantage for life safety due to being able to put out a fire faster. A secondary advantage of decreased pressure on the hose line gives less pushback pressure on the firefighter which decreases physical strain of that firefighter during firefighting operations.

Conclusion:

The T-Mobile Hometown Grant and associated content license present a valuable opportunity for Calexico. The funding supports a meaningful safety upgrade for the Fire Department and allows the city to be featured as a model of community development in T-Mobile's national communications.

Staff recommends Council approve both the acceptance of the grant and the execution of the Visual Content License Agreement.

Fiscal Impact:

None. The grant provides up to \$50,000 in external funding for equipment acquisition with no matching requirements.

Coordinated With:

Interim City Manager Rick Daniels
Finance Director Karla Chaparro

Acting Fire Chief Juan A Contreras
T-Mobile USA, Inc.

Attachments:

1. T-Mobile Reaches \$16 Million in Funding for Hometown Grants, Strengthening Communities Nationwide
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3. Allstar Fire Equipment Inc. Invoice #250403 for \$46,289.63

ATTACHMENT NO. 1

T-Mobile Reaches \$16 Million in Funding for Hometown Grants, Strengthening Communities Nationwide

With the company's latest round of Hometown Grant winners, T-Mobile has now helped 375 small towns bring community development projects to life

BELLEVUE, Wash. — March 20, 2025 — T-Mobile (NASDAQ: TMUS) today announced its latest 25 Hometown Grant recipients, each set to receive up to \$50,000 in funding from T-Mobile to support local development projects to revitalize their communities.

Since kicking off its [five-year commitment](#) to small towns and rural communities in April 2021, the Un-carrier has provided more than \$16 million in Hometown Grants to 375 communities across 48 states and Puerto Rico. Hometown Grants has sparked more than 150,000 volunteer hours, bringing people together to uplift their communities in big ways.

“When we started Hometown Grants nearly four years ago, we knew T-Mobile could make a real difference in small towns across the country, but the impact has exceeded all expectations,” said Jon Freier, President, T-Mobile Consumer Group. “With this latest round of grants, communities will be able to fund everything from new fire hose technology to expanded food pantry space — creating important, life-changing improvements for the people who call these towns home.”

Here are the next 25 Hometown Grant recipients and their projects:

- **Attalla, Ala.:** Build a dedicated walking trail at District 2 to foster a sense of community, encourage physical activity and combat health issues related to sedentary lifestyles.
- **Calexico, Calif.:** Install new fire hose technology at the Calexico Fire Department, allowing more water to be put on a fire while exerting less resistance to the firefighter applying the water.
- **Alachua, Fla.:** Revitalize a pocket park in the heart of Alachua’s historic downtown district, creating a vibrant community gathering space and an outdoor venue for cultural events and performances.
- **Comer, Ga.:** Renovate the Perch Community Center, offering a more inviting and useful gathering place for a local Farmers Market and community events.
- **Eastman, Ga.:** Update Eastman City Park, including resurfacing outdoor courts, providing a place for the community to play pickleball without risking injury.
- **Mount Vernon, Iowa:** Renovate the Bijou Theatre’s indoor and exterior space, adding an outdoor reception and screening area and updating the front façade and more, just in time to celebrate its 50th anniversary with the community.

- **Covington, Ind.:** Expand and relocate Marilyn's Village, adding an enhanced café and a new thrift store, creating more opportunities for adults with disabilities to gain vocational training, foster community connection, provide affordable resources to families.
- **Winfield, Kan.:** Create The Patio at WPL (Winfield Public Library), an outdoor intergenerational play, learning and connection space designed to provide a safe, accessible, welcoming and connection-building environment for all of Winfield.
- **Slidell, La.:** Transform an unkempt green space in Olde Towne Slidell into the Carey Street Pocket Park, adding a vibrant community space to gather, relax and enjoy the natural beauty of the park's landscape.
- **Kingston, Mass.:** Update Kingston Public Library lobby, replacing 27-year-old furnishings and making the space ADA compliant, providing a welcoming, accessible space to patrons.
- **Tupelo, Miss.:** Transform the Link Centre Black Box by relocating its primary access to ground level and renovating adjacent restrooms for ADA compliance, while integrating safety upgrades, enhanced lighting, and assistive technology to expand community accessibility and security.
- **Drew, Miss.:** Design and install seven freedom markers, honoring historical sites and people involved in the Civil Rights movement in Drew, Mississippi.
- **Guymon, Okla.:** Transform Dale Park into a vibrant, safe and engaging community space with new playground equipment, seating, drinking fountains and improved lighting, providing a much-needed recreational area for Southside Guymon, enhancing community health, cohesion and safety.
- **Durant, Okla.:** Plant trees and landscaping along Durant's Main Street District to increase economic vitality, support wildlife and reduce heat islands.
- **Silverton, Ore.:** Expand the Silverton Area Community Aid (SACA) food pantry and community resource space by supporting their relocation to a larger, fully accessible facility that will provide essential services, new programs, and space for community partners to better serve neighbors in need.
- **Bradford, Pa.:** Revamp the Historic Downtown District Microgrant program, adding connectivity upgrades, new equipment and professional marketing and promotional activities for participating small businesses to continue to be a vital part of the local economy.
- **Hershey, Pa.:** Enhance and modernize the learning spaces at Vista Autism Services with upgraded classroom designs, improved walls, cabinetry, flexible seating options, new furniture, and optimized storage solutions.
- **Hanahan, S.C.:** Revitalize a vacant city-owned parcel into a vibrant hub for the Hanahan Farmers Market, enhancing community engagement, supporting local businesses and providing an accessible space for residents to connect and enjoy the town center.
- **Sabinal, Texas:** Enhance the Veterans Memorial Live Oak Park by installing a playground to maintain the physical health of the community and provide a recreational area for children to play.
- **Zapata, Texas:** Transform the Teen Tech Center at the Boys & Girls Club of Zapata County, with updates to paint, furnishings and new technology to engage more teens and tweens in the Club every day after school and throughout the day during the summer.
- **Springville, Utah:** Install the Art Loops, an interactive public art experience connecting the Springville Museum of Art, Springville Library, and Civic Center, with installations and activities,

fostering community connection, enhancing walkability and pedestrian experience, strengthening Springville's "Art City" identity, and revitalizing the downtown area.

- **Brattleboro, Vt.:** Expand HatchSpace's workforce development and trades training programs by adding a workshop classroom and outfitting the digital fabrication lab with a high-tech laser cutter to further enhance the current roster of education programs.
- **Vashon, Wash.:** Install the Nikkei Public Art Memorial at Ober Park to commemorate and honor the 111 Nikkei residents who were forced to leave Vashon and be imprisoned in internment camps.
- **Chippewa Falls, Wis.:** Continue to transform the former Masonic Lodge by adding an outdoor learning and development space for the Chippewa Falls Boys & Girls Club by adding fencing, and member friendly representations to electrical equipment and introducing raised garden beds to feed youth in the community.
- **Fayetteville, W.Va.:** Build a permanent outdoor pavilion to serve as a year-round gathering space for community events, educational programs, volunteer activities and field trips, enhancing accessibility, promoting local food systems and fostering stronger community connections.

T-Mobile teams up with [Main Street America](#) — a nonprofit organization that works to advance shared prosperity, create resilient economies and improve quality of life through place-based economic development and community preservation — to bring Hometown Grants to life.

Grant applications are reviewed based on their level of detail, community impact, feasibility and other considerations.

"T-Mobile's Hometown Grants program is bringing critical resources to small towns and rural communities across America," said Erin Barnes, President and CEO, Main Street America. "These investments are transforming local landscapes and creating new opportunities for growth and connection."

T-Mobile's Commitment to Championing Rural Communities

T-Mobile's Hometown Grants commitment goes beyond community development programs. The Un-carrier has awarded nearly \$4 million to small businesses through Hometown Grants to support projects like revitalizing farmers markets, launching business incubators and improving main streets.

Beyond Hometown Grants, T-Mobile is focused on many initiatives to make sure no community, big or small, gets left behind. The Un-carrier's [Project 10Million](#) offers free internet connectivity and mobile hotspots to eligible student households to help close the digital divide. And T-Mobile's [Friday Night 5G Lights](#) is a competition that's gearing up for its second year to give one deserving high school a football field makeover valued at \$2 million. Learn more about Friday Night 5G Lights and pre-register now for the next round at [FridayNight5GLights.com](#).

As the country's [largest and fastest 5G network](#), T-Mobile is all about small towns and rural areas. Plus, [T-Mobile 5G Home Internet](#) and [Business Internet](#) give homes and businesses across the country access

to reliable and affordable broadband options. And for those in even the most rural areas, T-Mobile Starlink is on a mission to eliminate mobile [dead zones](#) in areas unreachable by traditional cell towers.

For more information about T-Mobile's commitment to small towns, visit www.t-mobile.com/hometowngrants. And to see how Hometown Grants are creating change, go [here](#).

Register for the free T-Mobile Starlink Beta [here](#).

Follow [@TMobileNews](#) on X, formerly known as Twitter, to stay up to date with the latest company news.

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About Main Street America

Main Street America leads a collaborative movement with partners and grassroots leaders that advances shared prosperity, creates resilient economies, and improves quality of life through place-based economic development and community preservation in downtowns and neighborhood commercial districts across the country. For more than 40 years, Main Street America has helped to build economic power in downtowns and neighborhood commercial districts through our signature Main Street Approach™ framework. Founded as the National Main Street Center® in 1980, Main Street America has helped to generate over \$107.62 billion in local reinvestment, rehab 335,675 buildings, create 782,059 new jobs, and start 175,323 new businesses in over 2,000 communities. [Learn more about Main Street America here](#).

T-Mobile 5G Home Internet: Not available in all areas. Delivered via 5G cellular network; speeds vary due to factors affecting cellular networks. **Project 10Million:** Verify National School Lunch Program eligibility at signup. **Fastest** based on analysis by Ookla® of Speedtest Intelligence® data of national Speed Score results incorporating 5G download and upload speeds for 2H 2024. See T-Mobile Starlink details at T-Mobile.com. Ookla trademarks used under license and reprinted with permission. See 5G device, coverage, & access details at T-Mobile.com.

About T-Mobile

T-Mobile US, Inc. (NASDAQ: TMUS) is America's supercharged Un-carrier, delivering an advanced 4G LTE and transformative nationwide 5G network that will offer reliable connectivity for all. T-Mobile's customers benefit from its unmatched combination of value and quality, unwavering obsession with offering them the best possible service experience and undisputable drive for disruption that creates competition and innovation in wireless and beyond. Based in Bellevue, Wash., T-Mobile provides services through its subsidiaries and operates its flagship brands, T-Mobile, Metro by T-Mobile and Mint Mobile. For more information please visit: <https://www.t-mobile.com>

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ATTACHMENT NO. 2

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-__

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALEXICO ACCEPTING FUNDING FROM T-MOBILE USA, INC. AND AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS FOR THE T-MOBILE HOMETOWN GRANT PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025

WHEREAS, the staff recommends that the City Council consider adopting a resolution ratifying the grant application in the amount of \$46,289.63; and

WHEREAS, the City of Calexico was selected as a recipient of funding from T-Mobile USA, Inc. through its Hometown Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the awarded grant funding will be used to install new fire hose technology at the Calexico Fire Department, allowing more water to be applied to fires with less resistance for firefighters; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends accepting funding from T-Mobile USA, Inc. and authorizing the Acting City Manager to execute grant agreements and any document(s) related to the implementation of the T-Mobile Hometown Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2024/2025;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALEXICO, CALIFORNIA, AS FOLLOWS:

1. The City Council hereby ratifies the grant application submitted to T-Mobile USA, Inc. for the Hometown Grant Program in the amount of \$50,000.
2. The City Council formally accepts the awarded grant funding from T-Mobile USA, Inc.
3. The Interim City Manager is authorized to execute all necessary grant agreements, the Visual Content License Agreement, and any related document(s) required to implement and administer the grant funding as described.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this ___ day of _____, 2025.

Diana Nuricumbo, Mayor

ATTEST:

Veronica L. Alvarado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Carlos Campos, City Attorney

State of California)
County of Imperial) ss.
City of Calexico)

I, Veronica L. Alvarado, City Clerk of the City of Calexico do hereby certify the above Resolution No. 2025-__ was approved at a regular City Council meeting held on the __ day of April 2025, by following vote to-wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Veronica L. Alvarado, City Clerk

ATTACHMENT NO. 3



INVOICE 250403

Date: 4/03/25

Salesperson: John

Bill To: City of Calexico
608 Heber Ave
Calexico, CA 92231

Ship To: Calexico Fire Dept
415 East Fourth St
Calexico, CA 92231
Attn: Cesar Becerra

P.O. # Vbl Cesar Becerra TERMS: Net 30 FOB: Dest SHIP: UPS

QTY	O/C	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	EXTENSION
50	ea	Key Hose DP17-100S Red Combat SNIPER DJ Fire Attac Hose - 1 3/4" x 50' Coupled 1 1/2" NST Alum	\$284.00	\$14,200.00
56	ea	Key Hose DP25-800 Red BIG10 All Poly DJ EPDM Rubber Lined Fire Hose - 2 1/2" x 50' Coupled NST Alum	\$250.35	\$14,019.60
7	ea	Elkhart Model 0033XD02 Alum Shutoff - 1 1/2" NSF x 1 1/2" NSM with 1 3/8" Waterway	\$486.45	\$3,405.15
7	ea	Elkhart Model 04XD0101 XD Series CHIEF Nozzle Tip 1 1/2" NST - 150 gpm @ 50 psi - (specify bumper color)	\$646.49	\$4,525.43
4	ea	Elkhart Part #66755007 Alum Short Barrel Smooth Bore Tip - 1 1/2" NST - 7/8" Orifice (specify bumper color)	\$191.00	\$764.00
4	ea	Elkhart Model 0069XD02 Alum Shutoff - 2 1/2" NSF x 1 1/2" NSM with 1 3/8" Waterway	\$638.90	\$2,555.60
4	ea	Elkhart Model 04XD025F XD Series CHIEF Nozzle Tip 1 1/2" NST - 300 gpm @ 50 psi - (specify bumper color)	\$823.00	\$3,292.00
			Subtotal	\$42,761.78
			8.25%	\$3,527.85
			TOTAL	\$46,289.63