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Fort Bend County Green Lights Broadband Expansion to Bring Connectivity to Underserved Areas

Working to Identify Private Provider to Partner with a Public-Private Partnership (PPP)

(FORT BEND, TX) - Fort Bend County Judge KP George will hold a press conference on Monday, October 3, at 12:00 p.m., at the Office of Emergency Management located at 307 Fort St, Richmond, TX 77469, to announce the County will be issuing an RFP in the coming weeks, to identify a private provider to partner with in a public-private partnership (PPP) to bring internet connectivity to the unserved and underserved areas in FBC.

The RFP will be focused on last-mile connectivity and the county will be looking for providers to discuss their plan to bring internet connectivity to the areas of need throughout the County. This includes:

- Understanding where providers have existing assets
- What level of investment they can bring to FBC, and
- What they are looking for from the County in private-public partnership.

“We know this is a critical issue in our county, by having access to reliable high-speed broadband will support our small businesses, meet remote workers' essential needs, and education platforms for students,” stated KP George. “This is why this issue is an important part of our county’s economy and development. This expansion will continue to drive the county forward in the future.”

WHO: Fort Bend County Judge KP George

WHAT: Press Conference: Broadband Expansion in Fort Bend County

WHEN: Monday, October 3 @ 12:00 p.m.

WHERE: Fort Bend County Emergency Operations Center
307 Fort St.
Richmond, TX 77469