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To: CMAP Board

From: Piotr Wietrzak

Director, Finance and Administration

Date: April 12, 2023

Re: Sole source contract with TIP Strategies, Inc for job access and

quality tool implementation in the amount of \$95,000.

In October 2021 the CMAP Board approved a contract for the Post COVID-19 Assessment of Future Opportunities and Challenges for Northeastern Illinois, with TIP Strategies, Inc., for 1-year for a not-to-exceed cost of \$185,000. The goal of the project was to establish a post-COVID coordinated effort among stakeholders and implementers to promote the region's economic development attractiveness and economic mobility opportunities. As part of the project, TIP Strategies created a job access and quality implementation tool that the Regional Economy Committee desires to update, in addition to creating a more detailed User Guide and implementation and outreach strategy.

CMAP staff would like engage TIP Strategies, as a sole-source procurement, to update the work it has performed previously. CMAP staff is seeking a 6-month agreement with TIP Strategies, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$95,000. Support for this project will be provided by FY23 UWP funds.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval