

### **ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT**

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approves additional funds for engineering services from Reed, Wells, Benson, & Company.

### **BACKGROUND**

Reed, Wells, Benson, and Company have provided exceptional professional engineering services for the District for many years. These additional funds are needed for the welding program expansion study for the Technical Campus and any additional projects that may arise during the remainder of the fiscal year.

Reference (REF) Number 4104 was issued to track the volume of spend for professional engineering services. Per Section 2254 of the Texas Government Code, professional engineering services are classified as professional services and are exempt from competitive bidding per Section 44.031(f) of the Texas Education Code.

### **IMPACT OF THIS ACTION**

These services ensure a safe and comfortable environment for students, faculty, and staff and ensure that the District's mechanical systems perform at an optimum level.

### **BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)**

The Board has approved a total spend authorization of \$122,000. This purchasing request is for spend authorization for an additional \$90,000, which is budgeted in the Facilities and Construction Department's FY21 operating budgets.

### **MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE**

The contract term is September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021.

### **RESOURCE PERSONNEL**

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