

AGENDA ITEM

Subject: Purchase of property for future facilities

Rationale: Much discussion has been held about the need to expand facilities due to HISD's increased enrollment. For over a year, school board members and school administrators have researched current facilities and privately owned properties within Hillsboro ISD that would accommodate renovating or the building of an elementary school. Traffic congestion, accessibility, utilities, cost, size were all considered when narrowing down choices for the location of an elementary campus. Current facilities were ruled out due to cost and other factors that made them a less than ideal expansion plan.

This spring an HISD Facilities Planning Committee was formed. There has been no opposition to the fact that a new elementary campus needs to be built. At the April meeting, the committee members in attendance overwhelming felt that property near the high school was the best location for building. As we value community input, we have initiated the process to purchase land for \$10,000 per acre.

Recommendation: Approve the purchase of real property in Hill County consisting of approximately 45 acres, described as several tracts listed in the H. Ross Survey also known as TBD State Highway 81, Hillsboro, Texas.