

Date of Board Meeting:

October 20, 2026

Recommendation:

Approve the transfer of \$2,000,000 of unrestricted funds to the plant fund to support future facility needs.

Background and Rationale:

As final FY26 accounting entries are completed, Wharton County Junior College administration has identified a budget surplus that exceeds earlier projections. This positive variance is primarily due to House Bill 8 performance funding covering a larger share of the College's annual operating costs paired with lower salaries, wages, and benefit expenditures. Both factors in turn allowed a greater portion of local tax revenue to be directed toward plant and capital needs.

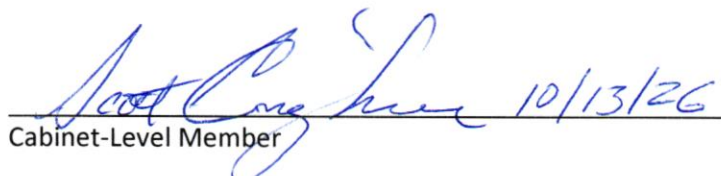
To strategically position the College for future capital and infrastructure requirements, administration recommends transferring \$2 million from the unrestricted fund to the Plant Repair and Replacement Fund. This action will strengthen the College's capacity to address upcoming facility maintenance priorities and support long-term campus sustainability.

Budgetary Implications:

\$2,000,000 (Unrestricted fund to the Plant Repair and Replacement Fund)

Resource Personnel:

Scott Cunningham, VP of Finance and Administration

Approval:
Cabinet-Level Member
President