

ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE

MEETING DATE: December 16, 2025

AGENDA ITEM: Consider Approval of Purchase of a Distributed Antenna System

(DAS) and County-Access Police Radios Using Safe-Cycle Grant Funds

PRESENTER: David Stevens, Chief of Police and Director of Safety and Security

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Per Board Policy CH (Local), any single, budgeted purchase of goods or services that costs \$50,000 or more, regardless of whether the goods or services are competitively purchased, shall require Board approval before a transaction may take place.
- All commercial entities, to include school districts, are required by law to have sufficient radio coverage capabilities for all first responders (fire, police, ems, etc) to be able to communicate efficiently while inside their facilities.
- Implementing a Distributed Antenna System (DAS) in the district provides the
 optimal coverage capabilities to meet the local and international fire code
 requirements. The DAS will consist of a Bi-Directional Amplifier (BDA) and its
 necessary components being installed at campuses to insure that first
 responders can effectively communicate while in district campuses.
- In addition to the need for establishing radio capabilities compliance, the Aledo ISD Police Department needs a refresh of county-access police radios in order for officers to be able to directly communicate with other local first responders. The district needs to increase the number of radios for officers, as well as replace old inventory.
- These county-access police radios will operate on the county maintained radio system and will meet both the current and future radio frequency upgrade the county is planning. Additionally, these radios will also utilize the DAS described above to ensure that AISD police officers, too, can have communication operability during an emergency situation.
- The Board of Trustees first discussed this item at the November 17, 2025 Regular Board meeting.

FISCAL INFORMATION:

Total cost of these items will be \$657,631.55 and will be paid with safety grant funds.

ATTACHMENTS:

Aledo ISD BDA Scope of Work (SOW) APXN50 Quote

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

Administration recommends the Board of Trustees approve the purchase of a Distributed Antenna System (DAS) and county-access police radios from Bearcom in the amount of \$657,631.55 using safety grant funds as presented.