

REPORT NAME: District Phone System License Renewal

REPORT OF: Business Office and Technology

FOR: Information and Approval

STRATEGIC GOAL ALIGNMENT: *Board Strategic Plan Goal II*

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE ALIGNMENT:

Develop an aligned strategic infrastructure to focus the entire organization on teaching and learning in a way that supports all stakeholders to perform at the highest level of quality.

FISCAL FUND IMPACT: District General Funds

IMPACT AMOUNT: Migration Cost- \$26,855.00 (Year 1), Total Licensing Cost- \$172,196.40 to be paid yearly for 5 years at \$34,439.28. Year 1- \$61,294.28. Years 2-4- \$34,439.28.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY/BACKGROUND:

Southfield Public Schools currently operates a Cisco phone system. Phone system licenses are up for renewal. The last renewal was January 2020. The cost in 2020 was not to exceed \$275,000.00 and it was paid all at one time. With this renewal, services will move from on premise to the cloud. Benefits of this renewal and move to the cloud include the following-

- Cost Savings- Lower upfront costs and predictable pricing.
- Scalability- Easily manage users and supports growth/downsizing.
- Flexibility and Mobility- Apps and softphones for anywhere/anytime access.
- Reliability and Redundancy- Cloud systems have built-in redundancy and failover reducing downtime.
- Advanced Features- Access to modern features and regular updates.
- Simplified Management- Centralized management portal.
- Security and Compliance- Compliance with regulations and regular security updates.
- Environmental Efficiency- Reduces physical hardware and energy use.

COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS: Total project cost of \$199,051.40 is a substantial cost savings compared to the project do not exceed cost of \$275,000.00 in 2020.

RECOMMENDATION: The Superintendent recommends the Board of Education approve phone system license renewal and migration to the cloud with Logicalis for a total of \$199,051.40 over the course of 5 years.

IMPACT IF NOT APPROVED: The district will operate with a phone system that is not up to date.

NEXT STEPS IF APPROVED: Southfield Public Schools will work with Logicalis to renew district licenses and migrate services to the cloud. A project plan and timeline will be shared with the district. Tentative start time will be fall 2025.