

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approves a contract for data and voice cabling services from Superior Fiber & Data Services, The Brass Effect, and E2 Optics for the District.

BACKGROUND

The District has used Superior Fiber, The Brass Effect, and E2 Optics in the past. These vendors have proven to be responsive to District needs while providing exceptional service and value.

Request for Proposal (RFP) Number 4404 was issued to procure data and voice cabling services. Five responses were received and evaluated by a team consisting of Technology Services staff. Based upon evaluation scores, the proposals submitted by Superior Fiber & Data Services, The Brass Effect, and E2 Optics are recommended as the best value to the District.

IMPACT OF THIS ACTION

This contract will provide services to install or move data cabling throughout the District. The installation of data cables provides connectivity for the usability of computers, surveillance cameras, wireless access points, telephones, digital signage, and HVAC systems. Having three vendors will provide the District with the best availability of these resources when medium to large cabling jobs are needed simultaneously and quickly.

BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)

This purchasing request is for spend authorization of \$650,000 for five years, which is budgeted in the Technology Services Department and various District departments' FY21 operating budget and subsequent year's budgets, subject to Board approval.

MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE

The contract term will be five years beginning May 1, 2021 through April 30, 2026.

RESOURCE PERSONNEL

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