

Manor Independent School District
Board of Trustee Workshop Agenda Item
May 2, 2022

INFORMATION ITEM SHEET

RE: Review and consider proposed Wide Area Network Leasing and Services Agreement for Unite Private Networks, LLC regarding the fiber line at the New Transportation Facility.

Supporting Documents:

1. *Statement of Understanding for the new Transportation Facility from Unite Private Networks.*

District Goals*: Goal 5

Goal 1: ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT GAPS- By 2026, 100% of Manor ISD scholars will graduate prepared for college, career, trade, and/or military services based upon their individual goals.

Goal 2: COMMUNICATION- By 2026, 100% of Manor ISD communication to all scholars, family, staff, & community members will be interactive, accurate, timely, & accessible to ensure the Manor ISD community is routinely informed.

Goal 3: COMMUNITY & FAMILY ENGAGEMENT- By 2026, Manor ISD will collaboratively engage in opportunities with 100% of families, as well as new and existing community partners.

Goal 4: EQUITY & INNOVATION- By 2026, 100% of Manor ISD scholars, staff, campuses, and school communities will have equitable access to innovative academic, human, financial, capital, technological, and all other necessary resources and supports.

Goal 5: FACILITIES & MAINTENANCE- By 2026, Manor ISD will proactively provide facilities to ensure 100% of scholars will have safe, well-maintained, environmentally sustainable, and community accessible facilities.

Goal 6: STAFF DEVELOPMENT- By 2026, Manor ISD will attract, develop, and retain highly-effective staff through an environment of equitable opportunity, growth, & innovation.

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Background Information:

Unite Private Networks (UPN) leases and provides WAN Services (“WAN Services”) and WAN Facilities (“WAN Facilities”) to school districts. Following a competitive bidding process, the District previously selected UPN as its provider of leased WAN Services and WAN Facilities to the District. In order to connect the District’s new Transportation Building to the existing network, the District will need to exercise an option in the original Agreement to add the new facility. *[Under Section 5 of the Agreement, it provides: “This Agreement contemplates the possibility of the District adding circuits... during the course of this Agreement. ...All future circuits and upgrades will have a term that is coterminous with the original term listed in Schedule C of [the] Agreement. The Parties agree that additional circuits and upgrades will be billed as a one-time cost to cover incremental equipment and construction charges plus a monthly recurring charge that is commensurate with the Monthly Fees noted in Schedule C.”]*

In order to exercise this option, the Board will need to approve the proposed Statement of Understanding. The approval of the Statement of Understanding will allow Unite Private Network to extend the School District Fiber Network to the new Transportation Facility.

Fiscal Implications:

The fiscal implication for this scope is a one-time fee \$259,348.00 and a monthly fee of \$395.00 for the remainder of the Agreement.

Administrative Recommendation:

Administration recommends that the Board approve the Statement of Understanding as presented by the Administration. The proposed motion language is: “I move that the Board approve the Statement of Understanding to the Wide Area Network Leasing and Services Agreement between Unite Private Networks, LLC and Manor ISD for New Transportation Facility as proposed by the Administration and authorize the Superintendent or designee to execute the Statement of Understanding for the District.”

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Approved by Superintendent