



UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AGENDA ACTION ITEM

Topic: Approval of request for Design Build as the solicitation method of procurement for the Design and Construction of the USD/City of Laredo Natatorium Joint Project

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Approved for transmittal to school board: November 19, 2014

Recommendations:

Administration is recommending that the USD Board of Trustees approve Design/Build (Government Code 2269.301) as the method best suited for the Design and Construction of the District Wide Natatorium Facility.

Rationale:

As per (Government Code 2269.056), the Board of Trustees of a public school district that is considering a construction contract using a method specified by (Government Code 2269) must, before advertising, determine which method provides the best value. Design/Build is the procurement method best suited for projects that are schedule sensitive, are well defined, are using prototype designs, and/or consist of renovations or additions to existing buildings. Some advantages of this method are fast-track delivery of project, less change orders, a single point of responsibility for design and construction resulting in cost savings, reduced overall cost for architect design fees, constructability review and design phase assistance by builders, and a guaranteed maximum price eliminating concerns with cost overruns, among others. In reviewing the scope of the recommended project, administration has determined that Design-Build is the best value method for this project.

Budgetary Information:

Estimated Budget - \$10,000,000.00

USD General Fund (\$7,000,000.00 /City of Laredo Contribution (\$3,000,000.00)

Board Policy Reference and Compliance

CV Legal – Facilities Construction

Government Code 2269.056

Government Code 2269.301