

# **CROSBY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**JUNE 22, 2020**

## **AGENDA ITEM:**

Consider interlocal agreement for participation in Region 20 Special Education Supports Cooperative.

## **EXPLANATION OR RATIONALE:**

Per Board Policy CH (LEGAL), to increase efficiency and effectiveness, a district may contract or agree with other local governments and with state agencies, including the comptroller, to perform some of its purchasing functions. An interlocal contract must be authorized by a board and the governing body of each contracting party. A district that purchases goods and services by agreement with another local government or with the state or state agency satisfies the requirement to seek competitive bids for the purchase of goods and services.

The interlocal contract method of purchasing allows a district to participate in a cooperative purchasing program with a local cooperative organization. If a district participates in a cooperative purchasing program, it satisfies any law requiring it to seek competitive bids.

The district currently participates in approximately 16 other purchasing cooperatives, some of which charge a fee for participation and others do not.

There is no cost to the district for participation in Region 20 Special Education Supports Cooperative. The district will benefit from the anticipated savings generated by greater use of group and cooperative purchasing and streamlined purchasing techniques authorized under the rules, and all purchases made will comply with competitive procurement requirements.

## **FINANCIAL OR PERSONNEL IMPLICATION:**

None.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Administration recommends approval of the interlocal agreement for participation in Region 20 Special Education Supports Cooperative.

## **CONTACT PERSON:**

Lesa Jones, CFO

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