

Denton Independent School District

Transportation Bus Purchase

April 23, 2019

SUMMARY:

This item requests approval of the quotes from Longhorn Bus Sales in the amount of \$4,172,000.00 for the purchase of forty-eight (48) buses.

BOARD GOAL:

VI. Growth, Change & Fiscal Responsibility...demonstrate effective and efficient management of District resources.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Transportation Department currently has one hundred and twenty-two (122) routes throughout the District. The first quote is for forty-six (46) 77-passenger route buses at a cost of \$86,900.00 per bus for a total of \$3,997,400.00. The second quote is for two (2) 71-passenger route buses at a cost of \$86,900.00 per bus for a total of \$173,800.00. All forty-eight (48) buses will have air conditioning and a propane fuel source. These buses will replace current fleet buses that are nineteen (19) to twenty-four (24) years old and will eliminate all non-air-conditioned buses from the District fleet.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

The forty-eight (48) buses will be used for routes throughout Denton ISD. These buses will be purchased through a Texas Local Governmental Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard). This purchase is being brought for approval in accordance with the District's CH (local) policy.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

The cost of these buses will be borne through General Fund - Fund Balance.

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

The Transportation Department will be able to order & receive the buses in a timely manner in which to be able to better serve our students for the 2019-2020 school year.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that both quotes from Longhorn Sales totaling the amount of \$4,171,200.00 plus a Buyboard fee of \$800.00 for a total of \$4,172,000.00 for the purchase of forty-eight (48) buses be accepted and funded from General Fund – Fund Balance.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

Debbie Monschke, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative Services
Jim Watson, Director of Transportation
Dianna Casper, Director of Purchasing

ATTACHMENT:

Transportation Bus Quotes

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____