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CISD Board Agenda Item Synopsis

Subject: Consider and act on a contingent fee contract with Abernathy, Roeder, Boyd & Hullett, PC pursuant to the Texas Tax Code, Section 6.30, and Government Code 2254.1036

Background Information:

For several years, District Administration and the Board of Trustees have discussed a partnership with Abernathy, Roeder, Boyd & Hullett PC that includes comprehensive services for all legal services. CISD is currently represented well by both MVBA for delinquent tax services and Abernathy for all other legal services. Celina ISD is the only school district represented by MVBA in Collin County, and Abernathy serves several other Collin County school districts. Consolidating services with Abernathy to also include delinquent tax services enables CISD to experience cost savings through a contingent fee contract on all legal services as negotiated. In addition to cost savings provided to CISD under this agreement, CISD would be partnering with tax attorneys based in Collin County who are more familiar with and well represented in the Collin County tax office.

Goals:

- 1. We will provide and support a safe, civil, and collaborative culture.
- 2. We will continuously provide and support effective teaching in every classroom.
- 3. We will provide and support a guaranteed and viable curriculum.
- 4. We will continue to foster a love of reading and commit to continual growth in childhood literacy.
- 5. We will foster strong numeracy skills and commit to continual growth in math success.
- 6. We will provide targeted strategies and practices to prepare students for post-secondary education, career readiness, and military participation.
- 7. We will attract, recruit, develop, and retain high-quality professional staff.

Budgetary Impact:

Annual cost savings in for legal services, positively impacting M&O funding.

Recommendation:

The District recommendation is for the Members of the Board to to approve the contingent fee contract with Abernathy, Roeder, Boyd & Hullett, P.C. pursuant to the Texas Tax Code Section 6.30, said contract being for the collection of delinquent taxes and government receivables owed to the District.

Submitted by and recommended by:

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Meeting Date: June 3, 2024