



COPPELL
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
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To: Board of Trustees
From: Diana Sircar
Date: February 25, 2021
cc: Brad Hunt, Justin Hill

RE: Consider approval of a resolution to authorize the superintendent to contract for the replacement, construction and/or repair of school equipment and facilities.

Background: As a result of the Texas Severe Winter Storms beginning February 11, 2021, the district is facing an unforeseen emergency situation. The district has seen flooding damage from broken water pipes in over 14 of the district facilities due to the extreme extended cold temperatures. We continue to monitor all buildings for additional issues. A few of the buildings had severe damage that prevent students and/or staff from utilizing. The district is continuing to provide in-person and remote learning opportunities for all students. Texas Education Code Section 44.031 requires that the district must employ competitive procurement methods for purchases over \$50,000 and Chapter 2269 of the Texas Government Code sets requirements for construction purchases. Given the fast-moving nature of the efforts of the district to make the necessary repairs to protect the district building assets from water damage and to make all other repairs resulting from the storm, the delay posed by these procurement methods would prevent or substantially impair the conduct of instruction and other essential school and/or district activities during this unforeseen emergency.

Recommendation: That the Members of the Board approve the Resolution as presented to authorize the Superintendent or designee to execute contracts and take such other actions as are necessary and appropriate to consummate those transactions during this time.