

Consent Item

Date: June 9, 2025 **Division**: Finance

Subject: Lewisville ISD Transportation Services Department Vehicles – Cooperative Contract(s)

Background Information:

- Lewisville ISD is committed to providing safe, timely, efficient, and reliable transportation services for students and maintaining a well-functioning vehicle fleet that supports district operations.
- Lewisville ISD has contracted student transportation services for more than 30 years. As the
 District transitions to managing its own student transportation program, there is a need to
 purchase the necessary equipment to support this critical program.
- This recommendation is to procure vehicles for the Student Transportation Services Department utilizing LISD-eligible cooperative contracts.
- If approved, these vehicles will help provide transportation to the 138 students identified under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act as well as students identified under the School Age Parent Program (SAPP). The aim is to ensure consistent, safe, and equitable transportation for these students. The vehicles would also be used by the Transportation Department to monitor and assess route conditions.
- A CDL is not required to operate these vans, which will allow the Transportation
 Department to hire individuals seeking experience and entry into the District's CDL training
 program. These employees may transport students in vans and begin CDL training.
- In accordance with Texas Education Code §34.003, passenger cars may be used to transport students to and from school on routes with fewer than 10 students, and passenger cars or vans may be used to transport fewer than 15 students for school-related activities outside of regular routes.
- The recommended vehicles offer a lower operating cost compared to school buses by reducing fuel usage and optimizing space. They may supplement the District's bus fleet by serving overflow capacity and transporting smaller groups for events and field trips.
 Additionally, the vans support operational efficiency by promoting fleet continuity in maintenance and parts management.
- It is recommended to use an LISD-eligible cooperative contract(s) as the best value to procure the vehicles. Best value involves considering several factors, which may include but are not limited to price, quality, availability, delivery timing, support, and other relevant factors.
- If approved, it is anticipated that these vehicles will be delivered by the end of June.

• Interlocal cooperative contracts have gone through a competitive procurement process and comply with local, state, and federal procurement laws.

Administrative Consideration:

- The District notified two awarded cooperative contract vendors to participate in this request for quotes. Two responses were submitted to Lewisville ISD for consideration.
- Funds for these vehicles will come from the Student Transportation Services approved budget.
- Anticipated expenditures: \$310,128 but will not exceed the approved budget.
 - o 4 2024 Ford Transit 12 Passenger vans: \$227,100
 - o 2 2025 Toyota Sienna 8 Passenger vans: \$83,028
- This procurement complies with Section 44.031 of the Texas Education Code.

Recommendations:

 That the Lewisville ISD Board of Trustees approves the use of LISD-eligible cooperative contract(s) for the procurement of six vans, the associated awarded vendors, and the estimated expenditures.

Timeline/Report:

Upon arrival