

ALEDO ISD BOARD MEETING TEMPLATE

MEETING DATE: November 17, 2025

AGENDA ITEM: Purchase of a Distributed Antenna System (DAS) and County-Access

Police Radios Using Safe-Cycle Grant Funds

PRESENTER: David Stevens, Chief of Police and Director of Safety and Security

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- Per Board Policy CH (Local), any single, budgeted purchase of goods or services that costs \$50,000 or more, regardless of whether the goods or services are competitively purchased, shall require Board approval before a transaction may take place.
- All commercial entities, to include school districts, are required by law to have sufficient radio coverage capabilities for all first responders (fire, police, ems, etc) to be able to communicate efficiently while inside their facilities.
- Implementing a Distributed Antenna System (DAS) in the district provides the
 optimal coverage capabilities to meet the local and international fire code
 requirements. The DAS will consist of a Bi-Directional Amplifier (BDA) and its
 necessary components being installed at campuses to insure that first
 responders can effectively communicate while in district campuses.
- In addition to the need for establishing radio capabilities compliance, the Aledo ISD Police Department needs a refresh of county-access police radios in order for officers to be able to directly communicate with other local first responders. The district needs to increase the number of radios for officers, as well as replace old inventory.
- These county-access police radios will operate on the county maintained radio system and will meet both the current and future radio frequency upgrade the county is planning. Additionally, these radios will also utilize the DAS described above to ensure that AISD police officers, too, can have communication operability during an emergency situation.
- Administration plans to bring this forward as an action item at the December 15th, 2025 Regular Board Meeting.

FISCAL INFORMATION:

Administration is soliciting vendor proposals for project. The estimated costs will be approximately \$660,000, with funding from the Safety and Facilities Enhancement (SAFE) Cycle Grant.

ATTACHMENTS:

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION:

None- communication item only.