Purchase Request #6 Regular Board Meeting January 26, 2021 Consideration of Approval of Additional Funds for Software

# ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approves the expenditure of additional funds to purchase software from SHI Government Solutions (SHI) for the District.

## BACKGROUND

This contract is used to purchase various software, software licenses, and maintenance renewals for software such as KnowBe4's Security Awareness, Freshworks' Freshservice, UltraEdit, NetBackUP, and NetOP Vision.

Reference number (REF) 2486 was issued to track the volume of spend for software.

SHI has contracts through multiple cooperative contract programs to provide software for the District and complies with the competitive procurement requirements outlined in Section 44.031 of the Texas Education Code, as permitted under Section 791.011 of the Texas Government Code

## IMPACT OF THIS ACTION

These additional funds will purchase software on various topics at competitive prices, buy maintenance and licensing that will keep software up-to-date, and provide the departments the rights needed to continue using existing products.

## **BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)**

The Board has approved a total spend authorization of \$160,000. This purchasing request is for spend authorization for an additional \$80,000, which is budgeted in the various Departments' FY21 operating budget, subject to Board approval.

## MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE

The contract term is September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021

## **RESOURCE PERSONNEL**

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