



SOUTH SAN ANTONIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: March 24th, 2021

Purpose: Presentation/Report Recognition Discussion/ Possible Action

Closed/Executive Session Work Session Discussion Only Consent

From: Dr. Marc Puig, Superintendent of Schools

Item Title: Self-Certification of Increased Micro-Purchase Threshold

Description: On August 31st, 2020, the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), 2 CFR 200.320 was updated to increase the micro-purchase threshold and the simplified acquisition threshold.

Historical Data: 2 CFR Part 200.320 – Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards establishes methods of procurement that must be followed. The non-Federal entity must have and use documented procurement procedures, consistent with the standards of this section and §§ 200.317, 200.318, and 200.319 for any of the methods of procurement used for the acquisition of property or services required under a Federal award or sub-award. Pursuant to 2 CFR 200.320(a)(1)(iv), a non-Federal entity may self-certify a Micro Purchase Threshold up to \$50,000 on an annual basis and must maintain documentation to be made available to the Federal awarding agency and auditors in accordance with 2 CFR 200.334.

Recommendation: Approve the resolution to certify that South San Antonio ISD is in compliance with 2 CFR 200.320- Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, Methods of Procurement.

District Goal/Strategy:

Strategy 1 We will engage all school community members through transparency and effective communication to promote a positive perception and create a strong brand.

Funding Budget Code and Amount:

APPROVED BY:

SIGNATURE

DATE

Chief Officer:

CFO Funding Approval:

Superintendent:

South San Antonio ISD
Resolution – Self-Certification of Increased Micro-Purchase Threshold

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Board Policy CH Local, the Board has authorized the Superintendent to develop purchasing procedures to implement the requirements of state and federal law. Further, the District’s Board of Trustees have delegated authority to the Superintendent to make budgeted purchases of goods and services costing less than \$50,000.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to 2 CFR 200.320(a)(1)(iv), a non-Federal entity may self-certify a Micro Purchase Threshold **up to \$50,000** on an annual basis and must maintain documentation to be made available to the Federal awarding agency and auditors in accordance with 2 CFR 200.334.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to 2 CFR 200.320(a)(1)(iii), a non-Federal entity is responsible for determining and documenting an appropriate micro-purchase threshold based on internal controls, an evaluation of risk, and its documented procurement procedures. The micro-purchase threshold used by the non-Federal entity must be authorized or not prohibited under State, local, or tribal laws or regulations. **Non-Federal entities may establish a threshold higher than the Federal threshold established in the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR) in accordance with paragraphs (a)(1)(iv) and (v) of this section.**

THEREFORE, South San Antonio ISD self-certifies that effective November 13, 2020 for fiscal year 2020-2021, its Micro Purchase Threshold, as defined in 2 CFR 200.320(a)(1)(ii), is hereby increased to **\$49,999**. Unless otherwise required by the District’s internal purchasing regulations or controls, purchases up to the Micro Purchase Threshold may be purchased without soliciting competitive price or rate quotations if the District considers the price to be reasonable based on research, experience, purchase history or other information and documents it files accordingly.

This self-certification is based on the following justification, as recognized and authorized by 2 CFR 200.320(a)(1)(iv)(c): Texas law generally permits public school districts to make non-competitive purchases for goods or services valued less than \$50,000 in the aggregate, as set forth in Texas Education Code 44.031(a).

In any instance where Texas or other federal law imposes a requirement to competitively procure any good or service costing less than \$50,000, or where Texas or other federal law imposes more stringent purchasing standards or procedures set forth in 2 CFR Part 200, the District shall follow the more restrictive legal requirement.

APPROVED BY:

Dr. Marc Puig, Superintendent
South San Antonio ISD

Date: _____