

Purchase Request #7
Regular Board Meeting June 23, 2020
Consideration of Approval of Additional Funds for
Cisco Hardware, Software, and Related Services

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approve the expenditure of additional funds for Technology Services for the purchase of Cisco hardware, software and related services from SHI Government Solutions, CMS Communications, and Flair Data Systems.

BACKGROUND

SHI Government Solutions, CMS Communications, and Flair Data Systems provide Cisco branded hardware, software, and related services for the District. The cost estimates of the additional equipment and supplies needed for the start-up of the Farmersville Campus will cause the contract expenditures to exceed the previously approved spend authorization.

Reference number (REF) 2691 was issued to track the volume of spend for Cisco hardware, software, and related services.

SHI Government Solutions and Flair Data Systems have contracts through the Department of Information Resources (DIR) cooperative contracts program to provide Cisco hardware, software, and related services, Contract Number DIR-TSO-4167, 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.

CMS Communications has a contract through the US General Services Administration (GSA) cooperative contracts program to provide Cisco hardware, software and related services, Contract Number GSA number GS-35F-0295N, 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

This equipment provides the District with connectivity to internal servers and software, external internet connectivity, and telephone service. Included in this request are funds for network equipment for the Farmersville Campus.

BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)

The Board approved the original contract in August 2019 for a total amount of \$2,800,000. This purchasing request is for spend authorization for an additional \$400,000, which is budgeted in the various departments' FY20 operating budgets and the 2017 CIP FF&E budgets.

MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE

The term of the contract is September 1, 2019, through August 31, 2020.

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