



JARRELL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Memo to the Board of Trustees



Date: September 24, 2025
Reported by: Stephen Dorman at Sledge Engineering
Subject: Consideration and possible approval of Jarrell High School Track Replacement as presented by Sledge Engineering

Background Information:

2017 bond remaining funds was presented at the April 16, 2025 board meeting. The 2017 Bond includes approximately \$2.2 million in unused funds. The Bond Counsel and Financial Advisor have completed their evaluation of any arbitrage impacting the use of these funds. The consultants have verified that JISD does not owe any money as a result of arbitrage. The funds are available for construction projects and related expenses. One of the many potential projects that was presented for use of remaining 2017 bond included the JHS Stadium Turf replacement and track resurface \$1.1 million

A formal bid process was conducted to maximize participation by vendors and ensure JISD receives the best overall value for the turf replacement and track resurface. At the end of evaluation process, the Turf Scoring Committee finalized recommendations for the selection of FieldTurf USA (Tarkett Sports) with price of \$891,941 for turf including shock pad and “cool infill” and track replacement with 5 mm thickness over existing track. A not to exceed \$1,100,000 was approved by the Board at the May 7, 2025 meeting.

During the Summer of 2025 turf replacement, it was determined that the existing track has “delaminated”. Addition of only a 5 mm top layer on top of the existing track surface is not possible and would not be covered by warranty if the contractor was to proceed with the original plan. The current recommendation for the track follows:

1. Remove existing “black” top layer down to subgrade
2. Upgrade from 5 mm to **10 mm thickness** (*product is Benyon Sports Surfaces model “BSS300”*)
3. Upgrade from 5-year to **10-year warranty** (*track warranty length will now equal turf*)
4. Add different colors for “relay exchange zones”

The total contract approved at the May 7, 2025 Board meeting included a not to exceed of \$1.1 million. The actual contract price was **\$891,941**. A net change order of \$7,258 is needed above the \$1.1 million not to exceed value to upgrade the track with 10 mm thickness, 10-year warranty and different color in “relay exchange zones”. A net change order authorization is recommended with not to exceed of \$100,000 to finalize pricing.

The track color options are included as part of the presentation for selection by the Board.

Strategic Goal:

Item Addressed:

This item addresses JHS stadium track resurface upgrade.

Budget Information:

All costs will be paid from the 2017 Bond as previously competitively bid via Request for Competitive Sealed Proposal (RFP) process.

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends approval of the JHS track upgrade. Suggested motion:

I move to authorize a maximum not to exceed of \$100,000 for the 2017 Bond Jarrell High School Track Resurface with FieldTurf USA and approve the Track Color Option #___ as presented and authorize the Superintendent to complete change order negotiations.