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Topic: Wearable Panic Devices and Visitor Management System

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Approved for Transmittal: 

Board Meeting Date: 7/15/2025

Recommendation:

The Administration recommends that the Board approve the purchase of Centegix wearable panic devices and associated equipment for all staff. In addition, it is recommended that Centegix enhanced visitor management services be included.

Rationale:

The implementation of wearable panic devices for all staff represents a significant advancement in the District's overall security posture. These devices will empower staff to immediately initiate a lockdown or request assistance in the event of an emergency. Each alert is accompanied by real-time location data, enabling district personnel and first responders to respond swiftly and accurately to the exact point of need.

Additionally, improvements in visitor management systems will enhance our ability to monitor and account for guests within GPISD facilities. This added layer of oversight supports our ongoing commitment to creating a safe and secure environment for students, staff, and visitors.

Budget Information:

Annual Services - \$384,200

One-Time Services - \$274,650

Year-One Total - \$658,80

Annual Recurring Cost - \$384,200

This project is to be funded by fund balance and remaining funds from the SAFE grants.

Board Policy Reference and Compliance:

CK(LEGAL) and CK(LOCAL), TAC 19/P2 § 61.1031 (c)(10)(B)