

Purchase Request #3
Regular Board Meeting June 23, 2020
Consideration of Approval of Additional Funds for
Digital Radio Communication Products

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approve the purchase of digital radio communication products from Crosspoint Communications.

BACKGROUND

Crosspoint Communications currently provides digital radio communication products utilized by the Collin College First Responders (fire, police) and Facilities personnel. Recent purchases of radio equipment for the new campuses and the Collin College Fire Academy have increased the anticipated contract spend to require Board approval.

Reference number (REF) 4026 was issued to track the volume of spend for digital radio communication products.

Crosspoint Communications has a contract through the BuyBoard cooperative purchasing program to provide digital radio communication products, Contract Number 604-20, and is compliant with the competitive procurement requirements outlined in Section 44.031 of the Texas Education Code, as permitted through Section 791.011 of the Texas Government Code.

IMPACT OF THIS ACTION

In both emergencies and daily life, updated communication systems are mission-critical to save lives, protect property, and assist inefficient operations. First responders and facilities personnel rely on reliable communications. As technology continues to advance in both public safety and beyond, the importance of updated emergency communication equipment becomes even more clear. Two-way radios, particularly “digital” two-way radios, will continue to serve as the backbone of emergency communications. Continued use of updated communication systems allows first responders to continue monitoring campus environments and safety issues while protecting students, faculty, and staff.

BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)

This purchasing request is for spend authorization of \$150,000, which is budgeted in the various departments’ FY20 operating budget and 2017 CIP FF&E budgets.

MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE

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

RESOURCE PERSONNEL

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