

## FOR ACTION

### **Lisle Community Unit School District 202 Board of Education Meeting April 28, 2025**

**SUBJECT:** Lisle Junior High School Security Camera Purchase

**RECOMMENDATION:** The administration recommends that the Board of Education accept the proposal from Modern Media Tech to install a cloud-based security camera system at Lisle Junior High School.

**BACKGROUND DATA:** As part of Phase 2 of the Lisle Junior High School renovations, funding was allocated for safety and security enhancements. Currently, the Junior High School lacks a comprehensive security camera system, limiting the ability to monitor key areas and quickly access footage when needed. Installing a modern system is critical to promoting a secure and supportive learning environment for students, staff, and visitors.

The administration evaluated multiple systems and ultimately decided on a cloud-based platform (specific name withheld for security purposes). The cloud-based platform offers several advantages over traditional on-site systems:

- **Simplified Cloud-Based Management:** Intuitive remote access and reduced need for on-site servers.
- **Advanced Analytics:** Motion detection, people analytics, and vehicle recognition to proactively address incidents.
- **Scalability and Reduced Maintenance:** Easily expandable with lower long-term IT demands.
- **Enhanced Security:** End-to-end encryption and robust data protection protocols.

While different from the on-site system currently in place at the high school (installed over 10 years ago) and elementary school (installed 5 years ago), the cloud-based system is seen as a forward-looking solution, better aligned with the School District's evolving technology and security needs.

After selecting the desired platform, the administration obtained quotes from four vendors tailored to Lisle Junior High School's specific needs. These quotes allowed us to compare the hardware specifications, licensing, and associated installation costs from different vendors. The following table summarizes the proposals submitted by each of the four vendors:

| <b>Vendor</b>                                   | <b>Quote</b>    |
|---|-----------------|
| <b>Modern Media Tech, LLC. – Lake Bluff, IL</b> | <b>\$83,495</b> |
| Heartland Business Systems – Lisle, IL          | \$90,025        |
| ITR Systems – Downers Grove, IL                 | \$159,995       |
| PACE Systems – Naperville, IL                   | \$197,529       |

Ultimately, Modern Media Tech was selected for its competitive pricing and the following reasons:

- A proven track record of success installing security camera systems for other Illinois school districts.
- Primary contact at the company is very professional, knowledgeable, and more than willing to take the time to explain his product and how it will serve the best interests of the School District.
- Extremely positive references from the school districts that were contacted. From initial installation, to additions and support, all parties were very happy with the final product and level of service offered by Modern Media Tech.

Although the cost exceeds \$35,000, the purchase qualifies under the Illinois Compiled Statutes bidding exemption for “data processing and telecommunications equipment, software, and services”.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** The \$83,495 will be funded through the Capital Projects Fund. Installation is expected to be completed in mid-May to early June. Timely installation will allow the project costs to be included in the FY2025 budget previously approved by the Board.

**SUGGESTED MOTION:** That the Board of Education accept the proposal from Modern Media Tech, LLC to install a cloud-based security camera system at Lisle Junior High School for \$83,495.