ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approve the purchase of equipment and services from Taurus Technologies to provide interactive presentation technology for the District.

BACKGROUND

The equipment in the CHEC Boardroom is the original technology that has been in place since the opening of CHEC in January of 2010. This request is to upgrade the video, audio and control systems in the Boardroom and includes installation, programming and maintenance of these solutions.

Reference (REF) Number 4074 has been issued in order to track the volume of spend for equipment and services procured on behalf of the District from Taurus Technologies. Tracking of spend volume is accomplished through the Purchasing Department's eProcurement system. The system is set to automatically notify the contract owner when 85% of the approved expenditure is reached, which triggers the contract owner to analyze current and future spend.

Taurus Technologies has a contract through the TIPS cooperative purchasing program to provide interactive presentation systems, Contract Number 161101, and is in compliance with the competitive procurement requirements set forth in Section 44.031 of the Texas Education Code, as permitted through Section 791.011of the Texas Government Code.

IMPACT OF THIS ACTION

Some portions of the current technology are no longer supported. This new system will provide the District with up-to-date technology for the video, audio, and control systems needed. Due to the speed with which technology is currently changing, the District's publicuse facilities (board room, campus conference centers, etc.) have been added to the IT renewal and replacement plan for review every five to seven years.

BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)

This purchasing request is for spend authorization for \$155,000.00 which is budgeted in the Information Systems Office 2016-2017 operating budget for the products and services described and in accordance with Board Policy CF (Local) and Texas Education Code Section 44.031.

RESOURCE PERSONNEL