
BOARD AGENDA ITEM

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Action X

Item: Bulb Digital Contract

Submitted by: Ashley Karsten

Date: _____ 10/6/2023 _____

Recommended by: Ron Gorman

Board Meeting Date: _____ 10/16/23 _____

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Kent ISD school board approve the hiring of Bulb Digital to provide IT planning support and architect the technology needs for a new community childcare navigation technology platform. The cost of this work is \$150,000, as detailed in the attached proposal.

BACKGROUND:

Kent ISD was awarded a \$486,092 grant through the Kent County Ready by Five Early Childhood millage to provide childcare navigation services. In phase 1 of the project, Kent ISD proposed working with an IT consulting firm to help plan and architect a new childcare navigation platform/app. Once developed, this platform will provide up to date information about the current child care openings available in Kent County ensuring families are accessing available child care spaces. This contract is for phase 1, planning/design work.

Kent ISD has had a long-standing relationship with Bulb Digital to support initiatives such as Our School Data and the redesign of Kent ISD's Intranet system.