



Consent Item

Date: March 17, 2025

Division: Finance

Subject: Consider Approval of 2023 Bond First-Sale RFP #3306-25 Wireless Network Controller Upgrades (TB02)

Background Information:

- The LISD Technology Department has identified the need to upgrade the network wireless controllers that were installed in 2018 as part of the 2017 Bond.
- This 2023 Technology Bond project was previously discussed during the Board of Trustees Work Session on December 2, 2024.
- The existing controllers are outdated and need to be replaced. Software support for the controllers ended on January 30, 2025, and no new features will be introduced beyond that point.
- If approved, the new controllers will be located at the District's two data centers and seven identified school campuses. The controllers will support the 6,200 district access points between these locations. In addition to the hardware and services, this project includes five years of licensing and support.
- The access points connected to the controllers do not need immediate replacement but will need to be updated later as part of the 2023 Bond.

Administrative Consideration:

- One thousand three hundred seventy-nine email notifications were sent to vendors from LISD, and the solicitation was also posted by the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) for additional vendors to view in accordance with E-rate requirements. The District received one response to the RFP.
- Funds for this project will come from E-Rate fundings and 2023 Technology Bond Funds.
- Estimated expenditures: \$2,664,712 but will not exceed the approved budget.
 - The estimated expenditures are before eligible E-Rate discounts. The District intends to work with the LISD Board of Trustees-approved E-Rate consultant to seek any and all E-Rate funding available for this RFP.
 - Historically, LISD has received approximately a 50% discount on products and services approved for E-Rate funding for LISD solicitations.
- This procurement complies with Section 44.031 of the Texas Education Code.

Recommendations:

- That the Lewisville ISD Board of Trustees approves RFP #3306-25 Wireless Network Controller Upgrades, the recommended vendor, and the estimated expenditures.

Timeline/Report:

- Upon approval