ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION/REPORT

The District President recommends the Board of Trustees approves the expenditure of additional funds to purchase engineering services from Reed, Wells, Benson and Company.

BACKGROUND

Reed, Wells, Benson and Company have provided exceptional professional engineering services for the District for many years. The following are known engineering projects: 1) Replacement of the existing generator, automatic transfer switch, and emergency switchboard at the Plano Campus, 2) the design of the cooling tower piping upgrades at the McKinney Campus, and 3) the design and replacement of two cast iron boilers at the Plano Campus. Additional projects may arise during the fiscal year.

Reference Number (REF) 4104 was issued to track the volume of spend for professional engineering services. In accordance with Section 2254 of the Texas Government Code, professional engineering services are classified as professional services and are exempt from competitive bidding per Section 44.031(f) of the Texas Education Code.

IMPACT OF THIS ACTION

These services will ensure a safe and comfortable environment for students, faculty, and staff and ensure that the District's mechanical systems are performing at an optimum level.

BUDGET INFORMATION (INCLUDING ANY STAFFING IMPLICATIONS)

The Board has approved a total spend authorization of \$100,000. This purchasing request is for spend authorization for an additional \$22,000, which is budgeted in the Facilities and Construction Department's FY21 operating budgets.

MONITORING AND REPORTING TIMELINE

The contract term is September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021.

RESOURCE PERSONNEL

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