# South San Antonio

## SOUTH SAN ANTONIO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: August 15, 2018	
Purpose: ☐ Presentation/Report ☐ Recognition ☐ Discussion/ Possi	ble Action
☐ Closed/Executive Session ☐ Work Session ☐ Discussion Only ☐ Consent	
From: Juan C Zamora, Chief Financial Officer	
Item Title: Discussion and Possible Action to Approve to Change Board Policy CH	Local
Description:	
The Change to CH(Local) is to align with changes made by the state to make it more efficient to procure items as a district. The recommendation is to increase the current maximum threshold from \$25,000 to \$50,000 to allow the district to purchase goods or services without board approval. This will allow the district to operate more efficiently.	
Recommendation:	
Approve as recommended	
District Goal/Strategy:	
Strategy 2 We will establish a system of extraordinary customer service to attract and reour community.	etain members of
Funding Budget Code and Amount:	CFO Approval

APPROVED BY:

SIGNATURE

DATE

Chief Officer:

Superintendent:

Form Revised: May 2018

#### PURCHASING AND ACQUISITION

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#### Purchasing Authority

The Board delegates to the Superintendent or designee the authority to make budgeted purchases for goods or services. However, any single, budgeted purchase of goods or services that costs \$25,000-\$50,000 or more, regardless of whether the goods or services are competitively purchased, shall require Board approval before a transaction may take place, unless the purchase falls into a categorical exemption.

A categorical exemption shall be defined as a:

- Cooperative or state purchasing program approved by the Board:
- 2. Utility Services that cannot be competitively bid.

#### Purchasing Method

The Board delegates to the Superintendent or designee the authority to determine the method of purchasing in accordance with CH(LEGAL).

# Competitive Bidding

If competitive bidding is chosen as the purchasing method, the Superintendent or designee shall prepare bid specifications. All bids shall be in accordance with administrative regulations, and the submission of any electronic bids shall also be in accordance with Board-adopted rules. All bidders shall be invited to attend the bid opening. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the scheduled time for opening. Bids received after the specified time shall not be considered.

The District may reject any and all bids.

#### Competitive Sealed Proposals

If competitive sealed proposals are chosen as the purchasing method, the Superintendent or designee shall prepare the request for proposals and/or specifications for items to be purchased. All proposals shall be in accordance with administrative regulations, and the submission of any electronic proposals shall also be in accordance with Board-adopted rules. Proposals received after the specified time shall not be considered. Proposals shall be opened at the time specified, and all proposers shall be invited to attend the proposal opening. Proposals may be withdrawn prior to the scheduled time of opening. Changes in the content of a proposal, and in prices, may be negotiated after proposals are opened.

The District may reject any and all proposals.

#### Electronic Bids or Proposals

Bids or proposals that the District has chosen to accept through electronic transmission shall be administered in accordance with Board-adopted rules. Such rules shall safeguard the integrity of the competitive procurement process; ensure the identification, security, and confidentiality of electronic bids or proposals; and ensure

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that the electronic bids or proposals remain effectively unopened until the proper time.

## Responsibility for Debts

The Board shall assume responsibility for debts incurred in the name of the District so long as those debts are for purchases made in accordance with the adopted budget, state law, Board policy, and the District's purchasing procedures. [See CE] The Board shall not be responsible for debts incurred by persons or organizations not directly under Board control. Persons making unauthorized purchases shall assume full responsibility for all such debts.

#### Purchase Commitments

All purchase commitments shall be made by the Superintendent or designee in accordance with administrative procedures, including the District's purchasing procedures.

#### **Personal Purchases**

District employees shall not be permitted to make purchases for personal use through the District's business office.

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