Denton Independent School District

Security Camera Replacement Project

July 26, 2022

SUMMARY:

This item requests approval of the quote from Advanced Connections INC in the amount of \$474,517.00 for the replacement of the Cisco cameras.

BOARD GOAL:

Growth & Management - Demonstrate effective and efficient management of district resources

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

- The Board called for the 2018 bond election with the recommendation by the Bond Committee. On May 5, 2018, the bond was approved by the voters of Denton ISD. This is covered under Project 90—Innovation—Technology Equipment—Security Camera Replacement.
- The Board approved the initial Security Camera Upgrade Project Purchase on April 23, 2019.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The initial Security Camera Replacement project was targeted towards older, non-High Definition (HD) Cisco cameras and replaced them with HD cameras from Axis. At the time, the Salient Video Management System (VMS) that was installed with the new cameras was compatible with the remaining cameras and everything worked together to get the District to an optimal surveillance solution with the least possible cost. The, now, older Cisco HD cameras are not compatible with the latest versions of the VMS which leaves the District with a VMS that has some stability issues, is unable to integrate with our internal authentication system, does not have a much-requested mobile device interface, and is also, increasingly, a potential cybersecurity vulnerability (however, there are currently no known issues). The optimal way to address these issues is to replace the remaining Cisco cameras with the new Axis cameras. While the original budget for this project has been expended, through significant cost savings on several other projects, this project is now possible, in addition to having become a critical need.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

This purchase is being brought for approval in accordance with the District's CH (local) policy. This purchase will be made utilizing the TIPS Cooperative Contract# 200105.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

The cost will be borne through the 2018 Bond Authorization.

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

The approval of this purchase will allow the District to update the Salient VMS Servers for stability, LDAP integration, and the mobile client availability. Any Cybersecurity concerns are mitigated as well.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the quote from Advanced Connections INC in the amount of \$474,517.00 for the replacement of the remaining Cisco cameras be approved.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

Robert Pierce, Chief Technology Officer Graham Walden, Senior Network Infrastructure Architect Cindy Willis, Director of Purchasing Dr. James Niven, Deputy Superintendent

ATTACHMENTS:

None

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation:

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent:

Signature of Superintendent: