

Livonia Public Schools

Finance Office

Date: March 6, 2018

To: Andrea Oquist, Superintendent

From: Alison Smith, Director of Finance

Re: Handheld Radios Purchase

We would like to discuss the purchase of handheld radios at the March 12, 2018 Finance Committee meeting. We are recommending the purchase of 375 digital handheld radios for all school district buildings through the MiDEAL State of Michigan Extended Purchasing Program at a cost of \$91,136.25. The funding source for this purchase is the 2013 bond issue, specifically the security equipment budget.

These radios are being recommended after study by our district Safety Committee, review by Cabinet, and in consultation with John Raymond, Administrator of Public Safety. This was an identified need by our schools and by the committee, and was included as part of the initial planning by one of our bond implementation teams.

The radios will be utilized as part of our school-based and district school security plans. They allow for use not only at the individual school level, but also for communication across the district in times requiring crisis communication via multiple sites or districtwide.

I have attached the recommendation memorandum and MiDEAL quotation from Mr. Harry Lau, Administrator of Facilities and Operations.

Please include this item on the agenda and contact me if you have any questions. Thank you.

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Attachments

c: Board of Education