

United Independent School District AGENDA ACTION ITEM

Topic: Approval of Design Build as the method of procurement for the Design and Construction of Road Extension and Utilities Extension at Las Blancas Property

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Recommendations:

As part of the purchase of Las Blancas property, UISD has a contractual obligation to extend frontage road on Las Blancas property and extend utilities as per City ordinance. Staff recommends that the UISD Board of Trustees approve Design/Build (Government Code 2267.301) as the method of procurement best suited for the following project:

Construction of Road and Utilities Extension at Las Blancas Property

Rationale:

As per (Government Code 2267.056), the Board of Trustees of a public school district that is considering a construction contract using a method specified by (Government Code 2267) must, before advertising, determine which method provides the best value. Design/Build is the procurement method best suited for projects that are schedule sensitive, are well defined, are using prototype designs, and/or consist of renovations or additions to existing buildings. Some advantages of this method are fast-track delivery of project, less change orders, a single point of responsibility for design and construction resulting in cost savings, reduced overall cost for architect design fees, constructability review and design phase assistance by builders, and a guaranteed maximum price eliminating concerns with cost overruns, among others. In reviewing the scope of the recommended project, administration has determined that Design-Build is the best value method for this project.

Budgetary Information:

Total estimated construction cost is \$600,000.00. UISD's share is 50%; an estimate of \$300,000.00 Source of Funds - Fund Balance

Board Policy Reference and Compliance

CV Legal – Facilities Construction Government Code 2267.056 Government Code 2267.301