

Consider approval of purchase of Raptor Technologies safety platform

1. Background:

Southwest ISD needs both a comprehensive emergency and visitor management system that enhance campus safety, streamlines emergency response and integrates effectively with our existing student information system, Frontline. For the past three years, the District has utilized Navigate 360 for Emergency Management (EMS) and Visitor Management Systems (VMS). While this platform has served Southwest ISD adequately, evolving safety and security needs require more advanced, integrated and customizable solutions.

After a thorough evaluation of available platforms, including direct comparisons with Crisis Go and Centigex, District staff is recommending Raptor Technologies as the new EMS and VMS platforms. Raptor Technologies offers superior EMS and VMS suites that include a wearable Badge Alert system for staff, enhanced customization options, integration with Frontline and advanced features such as incident mapping and a reunification system that works in tandem with the VMS. These capabilities position Raptor Technologies as the best value to meet the current and future safety needs of the District.

Initial Cost + First Year

<b>Raptor Technologies</b>	<b>Crisis Go</b>	<b>Centigex</b>
\$228,751.25	\$389,737.50	\$755,450.00

2. Process:

The need for the purchase for new EMS and VMS platforms was presented to and recommended by the District Safety & Security Committee. The recommended vendor, Raptor Technologies, is a member of the TIPS purchasing cooperative.

3. Fiscal Impact:

The initial cost for the purchase of the Raptor Technologies safety platform is \$108,070.25, which includes hardware installation, Frontline integration and staff training. First year and future annual implementation cost for the district will be \$120,681.00. Total cost of the EMS and VMS platforms as well as the Badge Alert notification for staff is \$228,751.25. The purchase of the EMS and VMS platforms will be funded through local funds. The wearable Badge Alert system for staff will be funded from the Safe and Facilities Enhancement (SAFE) Cycle 1 grant funds.

4. Recommendation:  
That the Board approve the recommendation to purchase the Raptor Technologies safety platform for a total cost of \$228,751.25 for the 2025-26 school year.
  
5. Required:  
Board action.