

MEETING OF: February 13, 2018

**TITLE:** Approval of Request for Proposals (RFP) 19-01-21 – Technology Products and Services for E-Rate Funding

Year 2018-19

**ITEM** #: 4

Information:

Study:

Action: X

### **PURPOSE:**

It is the intention of Tucson Unified School District Technology Services Department to purchase wireless network equipment after July 1, 2018. The District intends to apply for discounts on these products and services through the Federal E-Rate Program for fiscal year 2018-2019 (7/1/2018-6/30/2019), with the possibility of two (2) annual renewals, for a total contract period not to exceed three (3) years, June 30, 2021.

#### **DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:**

The total dollar amount in this RFP of \$2.4 million is included within and contingent upon the award of the federal E-Rate application as submitted in the agenda item "Approval and Commitment of Funding for Telecommunications Services and Upgrades for Tucson Unified School District's 2018-19 E-Rate Application".

RFP 19-01-21 was posted to www.azpurchasing.org TUSD's official bid board. Notice was sent to one-hundred eighty-six (186) vendors, TUSD received six (6) bids and thirty-one (31) "NO BIDS." After initial review of the proposals by the Purchasing Department the following proposals are being considered responsive and responsible; Arizona Communication Experts, Century Link, Ednetics, Corporate Technology Solutions, Kabargo Technology Partners, and World Wide Technology. The submitted proposal documents were reviewed by a committee comprised of TUSD staff and a Technology Oversight Committee (TOC) member.

Award recommendation is based on evaluation committee scores during Phase I and Phase II, Best and Final Offers, in accordance with AZ Administrative Code on evaluation of proposals. An award recommendation letter was received from the committee chair with recommendation of the evaluation team to award to:

Arizona Communication Experts – Cabling Corporate Technology Solutions – Cabling Ednetics – Equipment

An Executive Summary and the evaluation committee's Written Recommendation are provided for your review in a separate communication as all information related to the proposals is confidential until award is made, in accordance with AAC R7-2-1045B.

Rabih Hamadeh, Director of IT Infrastructure and Andrea Marafino, Technology Services Program Analyst will be present to answer questions regarding this project.

Kevin Startt, Director of Purchasing, will be present to answer questions regarding the procurement process.

## **BOARD POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:**

Compliance with Governing Board Policy DJ, Purchasing Procedures.

## **LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

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| For amendments to current IGAs, Initiator provides original IGA re                         | ecording number:  |
| Legal Advisor Signature (if applicable)  |   |
| BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:   | Budget Certification (for use by Office of Financial Services only):  |
| X  | Date 2/5/18 I certify that funds for this expenditure in the amount of \$\$2.4M are available and may be:  Authorized from current year budget Authorized with School Board approval  Code: Fund:  Net cost to District District to be reimbursed upon E-Rate award |
| INITIATOR(S):  |   |
| Jacqueline Posey, Procurement Agent  | 2/2/2018  |
| Name Title   | Date  |
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