

MEETING OF: April 29, 2014

TITLE: Lease/Purchase of 23 Buses

ITEM #: 0

Information:

Study:

Action: X

PURPOSE:

Authorize the lease/purchase of 23 buses in the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year, to support the transportation of students, with authorization for the Director of Puchasing to execute the lease.

DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

This is a lease/purchase of 23 buses for an annual cost of \$491,555 for five years.

Transportation is recommending a mix of vehicle sizes and types for this lease/purchase as follows:

- * Nine (9) "Type C" diesel powered wheelchair lift equipped buses. These buses will replace current units in use that are 1999 or older. Lift equipped buses are used to provide specialized service and are called upon to provide consistently reliable service. The current fleet has aged to the point that reliability is an issue and the units to be replaced are all beyond the industry service life of 15 years.
- * Eight (8) "Type A" gas powered 30 passenger small buses. These buses will replace 1990 through 1995 model year 81-84 passenger buses currently in use. In addition to the continued effort to match load with appropriate vehicle capacity, these smaller vehicles will reduce annual fuel costs by up to \$3,000 per unit.
- * Six (6) "Type C" diesel powered 72 passenger buses. These buses will replace 1990 through 1995 model year 81-84 passenger buses currently in use. Annual fuel savings of up to \$1800 per vehicle will be experienced.

Mike Johnson, Jim Burns, and Candy Egbert will be available to answer questions.

This request supports the Superintendent's Transportation goal by increasing the customer satisfaction and the efficiency of the transportation services provided. The use of smaller and more versatile buses increase Transportations ability to respond to our customer's needs, especially the diverse needs of the students who are qualified by McKinney-Vento and our youngest students attending exceptional education programs and preschool.

BOARD POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS:

For all Intergovernmental Agreements (IGAs), Initiator of Agenda Item provides the name of the agency responsible for recording the Agreement after approval:

For amendments to current IGAs, Initiator provides original IGA recording number:

Legal Advisor Signature (if applicable)

BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS:

Budget Certification (for use by Office of Financial Services only):

\$245,777.50 District Budget
\$245,777.50 State/Federal Funds
Other

I certify that funds for this expenditure in the amount of \$ are available and may be:

 Budget Cost
 Budget Code

 \$245,777.50
 610 410 2710 5070 6734

 \$245,777.50
 610 513 2710 5070 6734

Authorized from current year budget **X** Authorized with School Board approval

Code: Fund:

INITIATOR(S):

Mike Johnson, Transportation Director 04/16/14

Name Title Date

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