COLLEGE STATION
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

To: Dr. Tim Harkrider, Superintendent

From: Josh Symank, Assistant Superintendent of Operations

Date: November 17, 2026

Subject: Purchase of school buses from 2023 Bond Funds

Agenda Item: K - 2

BACKGROUND

In November of 2023, voters approved issuance of bonds in the total amount of $229.120 million. It was communicated to both the bond planning committee as well as the voters of CSISD that a portion of these funds would support the district with the purchase of school buses.

Quotes were requested for nine – 77 passenger buses using both CSISD fleet standards and state required standards. Longhorn Bus Sales provided the best value for the district at $165,469.00 per bus for a total of $1,489,221.

There is a purchasing cooperative administrative fee of $800 for a total of $1,490,021.00 based on BuyBoard purchasing cooperative contract #722-23. This quote does not include routing hardware and software, child accountability components, or the fuel management system. These items will be added upon delivery.

Heather Wilson, Chief Financial Officer, Josh Symank, Assistant Superintendent of Operations, and Shannon Calltharp, Director of Transportation, recommend purchasing from Longhorn Bus Sales as the best overall value for 9 International School Buses in the amount of $1,490,021.00 utilizing the 2023 Bond Funds.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the College Station Independent School District Board of Trustees approve awarding the purchase of 9 buses to Longhorn Bus Sales in the amount of $1,490,021.00 utilizing 2023 Bond Funds.

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