



College Station Independent School District

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MEMORANDUM

To: Mike Martindale, Superintendent 

From: Amy Drozd, Chief Financial Officer 

Date: March 3, 2021

Subject: Consider a contract award for the purchase and installation of artificial turf at AMCHS and CSHS football/soccer competition fields.

Agenda Item: K-4.

BACKGROUND

Both AMCHS and CSHS have artificial turf on their football/soccer competition fields. AMCHS has a FieldTurf field that is now 7 years old while CSHS has a Hellas field product that is 9 years old. Both originally had an 8 year warranty. AMCHS's field was replaced after 6 years due to a disintegration of the fibers. There is only one replacement allowed with the warranty. Both fields are worn to the point of tears and some breakdown of the cushioning on the fields which results in increased hardening and is a safety concern.

VLK Architects assisted in writing the design and specifications for the project which were released in February 2021. Proposals were solicited from 4 buyboard vendors with all 4 submitting proposals.

VLK Architects analyzed the proposals and prepared a comparison of the 4 products which is attached along with a corresponding letter summarizing their recommendation of Hellas Turf as the best value for CSISD. Mr. Jon Hall, Executive Director of Facilities and CSISD's Athletic Director and football coaches also did a review of the proposals and is recommending Hellas turf as the best value for CSISD as well. Some of the factors contributing to the recommendation are that the Hellas product is durable, safe, colorfast, and physically cooler than other products. The durability has been proven within CSISD with the current AMCHS FieldTurf field having a useful life of 7 years while CSHS's Hellas field being 9 years.

Hellas Construction's proposed contract amount is \$1,197,800 and includes an 8-year warranty. Based on the analysis done, I am recommending CSISD award the contract for the purchase and installation of artificial at both AMCHS and CSHS football/soccer competition fields to Hellas Construction utilizing buyboard contract 560.18. If approved, savings from projects in the original 2015 bond program will be used to fund the project. Work will be done over the summer of 2021.

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the College Station ISD Board of Trustees approve a contract award to Hellas Construction under buyboard contract 560-18 for the purchase and installation of artificial turf at AMCHS and CSHS football/soccer competition fields utilizing 2015 Bond Funds.

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