Memo

To: Jeffrey J. Marsden

From: Michael La Francesca

cc: Tim Knight

Date: 03/18/2024

Re: Transportation Contract Extension Recommendation

Jeff,

Upon thoroughly examining our options regarding the Regular Education Transportation Contract, I recommend exercising our right to extend the current contract for two more years.

After conducting extensive research into the potential costs associated with both scenarios - going out to bid for a new three-year contract versus extending the existing one - it has become abundantly clear that pursuing a new contract would incur significantly higher expenses for the district.

Considering the locked-in factors and cost per bus negotiated four years ago, it is evident that proceeding with a new three-year contract would place an unnecessary financial burden on the district. Therefore, I firmly recommend that we opt for the financially prudent choice of extending the current contract for two more years.

ITEM A - Regular Transportation To/From School (Approximately 180 days per year)

1. Full Size (71-passenger) buses

		(A) Cost/bus/day	2020-2021 (B) Quantity	(C) Cost/180-day year (A * 180)	(D) Total cost/year (B * C)
2021-2022	2-tier	$383	19	$68,940	$1,309,860
2022-2023	2-tier	$395	19	$71,100	$1,350,900
2023-2024	2-tier	$408	19	$73,440	$1,395,360
Option to Extend					
2024-2025	2-tier	$428	19	$77,040	$1,463,760
2025-2026	2-tier	$453	19	$81,540	$1,549,260

2. Mini-Bus (16 Passenger)

			2020-2021		
2021-2022	2-tier	$383	1	$68,940	$68,940
2022-2023	2-tier	$395	1	$71,100	$71,100
2023-2024	2-tier	$408	1	$73,440	$73,440
Option to Extend					
2024-2025	2-tier	$428	1	$77,040	$77,040
2025-2026	2-tier	$453	1	$81,540	$81,540

ITEM B - Kindergarten Transportation To/From School (Approximately 166 days per year)

	(A) Cost/bus/day	2020-2021 (B) Quantity	(C) Cost/166-day year (A * 166)	(D) Total cost/year (B * C)
2021-2022	$72	2	$11,952	$23,904
2022-2023	$75	2	$12,450	$24,900
2023-2024	$75	2	$12,450	$24,900
Option to Extend				
2024-2025	$83	2	$13,778	$27,556
2025-2026	$87	2	$14,442	$28,884

ANNUAL COST of ITEMS A and B (Provided 19 Full-Size), 1 Mini Bus, and 5 kindergarten routes):

	19 Full-Size Buses	1 Mini-Bus	2 Kindergarten Routes	TOTAL
2021-2022	$1,309,860	$68,940	$23,904	$1,402,704
2022-2023	$1,350,900	$71,100	$24,900	$1,446,900
2023-2024	$1,395,360	$73,440	$24,900	$1,493,700
Option to Extend				
2024-2025	$1,463,760	$77,040	$27,556	$1,568,356
2025-2026	$1,549,260	$81,540	$28,884	$1,659,684

ITEM C: EXTRA-CURRICULAR and ATHLETIC TRANSPORTATION

	Minimum Charge per Trip:	Charge per Mile	+	Hourly Layover Rate
2021-2022	$355	$4.00		$70
2022-2023	$370	$4.00		$70
2023-2024	$380	$4.00		$70
Option to Extend				
2024-2025	$400	$4.25		$75
2025-2026	$420	$4.25		$75

signed: _____ date: Deember 14, 2020

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