

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Piggyback Recommendation of \$500,000 or Greater FY20-173 – School Buses

Introduction

Responsible: Procurement & Warehousing Services (PWS)

This request is to approve the recommendation to make a piggyback award to the vendor(s) awarded on the Florida Department of Education's School Bus ITB 2020-16, Invitation to Bid (ITB) FY20-173 – School Buses with a contract term of two (2) years beginning February 4, 2020 through December 16, 2021, with three (3) one (1) year renewals. The approval of this Piggyback will allow Student Transportation & Fleet Services (STFS) to issue a Purchase Order (PO) under this ITB for the purchase of School Buses.

The School Board previously approved ITB 59-033R – School Buses on March 6, 2018. The contract term for ITB 59-033R was from March 7, 2018 through December 31, 2018. ITB 59-033R approval provided the District the opportunity to purchase one hundred (100) buses for Student Transportation & Fleet .

The spending authority being requested for ITB FY20-173 is \$10,700,000.

Goods/Services Description

Responsible: Student Transportation & Fleet Services (STFS)

STFS intends to utilize the Department of Education (DOE) Bid for the purchase of one hundred (100) buses. The DOE Bid was awarded to three (3) vendors, Florida Transportation Systems, Inc., Matthews Bus Alliance, Inc., and Sun State International Trucks, LLC. The objective of this purchase is to provide transportation services to 70,000 plus eligible riders to and from assigned District schools, field trips, and activities.

Procurement Method

Responsible: PWS

Per Purchasing Policy 3320 Part II Section M, the School Board may make purchases at or below the specified prices from contracts awarded by other city or county governmental agencies, other District School Boards, Community Colleges, Federal Agencies, the Public or Governmental Agencies of any state, or from state university system cooperative bid agreements. Purchasing through the State Bid allows the District to benefit from the purchasing power of the sixty- seven (67) districts in the State of Florida. This recommendation will allow Procurement & Warehousing Services to release PO's for items awarded in this contract, in a timely manner, and at contract prices.

The request for approval of piggyback ITB FY20-173 – School Buses allow the School District's to capitalize on the current prices available on DOE's ITB 2020-16.

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Financial Impact
Responsible: PWS and STFS

The School Board approved the five (5) year District Education Facilities Plan on September 4, 2019, allocating \$10,700,000 for the purchase of new buses. The estimated requested spending authority is based on the purchase of approximately one hundred (100) buses at an estimated cost of \$107,000 per bus.

Estimated cost per bus		\$107,000
Approximate number of buses	(x)	100
Total cost		\$10,700,000

Funding for this ITB will come from the Capital Budget.

The amount requested was determined based on STFS requirements to satisfy the needs of the District. The financial impact amount represents an estimate contract value; however, the amount authorized will not exceed the estimated contract award amount.