

## **SOUTH WHITTIER SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**November 17, 2020**

**INFO/ACTION**

### ***APPROVE THE AWARD OF CONTRACTS FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT SERVICES UNDER GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 4525***

#### **Background:**

Government Code §§4525 et seq. permits a school district to select certain professional services, including project management services, on the basis of demonstrated competence and the professional qualifications necessary for the satisfactory performance of the services required.

#### **Analysis:**

District staff issued a request for proposals ("RFP") to an adequate number of qualified sources, generating the maximum number of proposals from qualified sources and encouraging reasonable competition consistent with the nature and requirement of the procurement. The District received 15 proposals and evaluated those proposals against a number of criteria specified in the RFP. Staff has identified a number of qualified professionals that scored highly after being evaluated on those criteria, including Expertise, Qualifications, Management Plans, Past Performance, Responsiveness, and Quality of the Proposal. Staff believes these chosen professionals have demonstrated their competence and qualifications to provide these necessary project management services to the District on a number of future projects and believes it is in the District's best interest to award contracts to these professionals.

#### **Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Board authorize the award of project management contracts to DIXON SmartSchoolHouse LLC, Fonder-Salari INC, Knowland Construction Services Inc., and RCM Group, LLC, and authorize the Superintendent or designee to negotiate and execute such contracts, with assistance of legal counsel where necessary, and take any other actions necessary to effectuate the intent of those agreements.

#### **Funding:**

Bond funds, but may vary by project.

#### **Prepared by:**

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Mark Keriakous, Chief Business Officer

#### **Superintendent's Comment:**

The Superintendent supports the above recommendation.

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Gary Gonzales, District Superintendent