INFORMATION SHEET 10/15/2024 TRUSTEES' MEETING

ATTACHMENT

TO: Jim Bridges, Superintendent
FOR: Board of Trustees
FROM: Esabel Corrie, CBO
ISSUE: Request for Purchase of Two New Buses to Accommodate Increasing Enrollment

Overview

As the district experiences a steady increase in student enrollment, it has become essential to expand our transportation fleet. I am proposing the purchase of two new buses to meet the growing demand and ensure that all students are transported safely and efficiently.

Bus Options

Based on the bid proposals received, the following buses have been identified as potential additions to our fleet:

1. **Small Bus (19 Passenger Capacity)**
   - Model: 2025 Minotour
   - Engine: Ford E450, 350 horsepower
   - Price: $128,715 , including all dealer preparation, pre-delivery service
2. **Large Bus (84 Passenger Capacity)**
   - Model: 2025 Thomas Saf-T-Liner HDX
   - Engine: Cummins L9, 300 horsepower
   - Price: $288,364 including pre-delivery services, lettering, and documentation fees

Rationale

1. **Growing Enrollment:**
   Acquiring these additional buses will allow us to accommodate all students without exceeding capacity on existing buses.
2. **Safety and Compliance:**
   The purchase of these buses will ensure that we continue to meet state and district safety standards for student transportation. Overcrowding poses safety risks, and this investment will address those concerns.
3. **Operational Flexibility:**
   Additional buses will provide the district with more flexibility to manage repairs, unexpected route changes, and emergency situations without compromising service.

Funding

The total cost for purchasing the two buses is approximately $417,079 ($128,715 + $288,364), including sales tax and fees. We propose using Unrestricted Lottery funds which has a beginning balance of 1.3 million starting the 2024-25 FY.

Conclusion

The purchase of these two buses is necessary to maintain efficient and safe transportation for our students. I recommend that the board approve this proposal to ensure we meet our growing needs.

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Thomas BUILT BUSES

Bid Form

September 19, 2024

Customer Order No.: SBBH 100186

Honorable Board of Trustees
Jefferson School District
1219 Whispering Wind Dr
Tracy, Ca 95377

BusWest respectfully submits for your consideration our bid to supply 1 complete 84 pax passenger school bus as follows:

Chassis Make:	Thomas	**Model:**	CHSY	**Model Year:**	2025
Wheelbase:	277"	**Engine:**	Cummins L9	**Horsepower:**	300
Body Make:	Thomas	**Model:**	Saf-T-Liner HDX	**Capacity:**	84 pax
Transmission:	Allison 3000 PTS				
Delivery Date:	180-210 Days after receipt of order			**Subject to Prior Sale:**	No

Cash Purchase Price (each):		$ 266,262.00
Doc Fee:		$ 85.00
DVM Electronic Fee:		$ 33.00
Sales Tax @:	8.250%	$ 21,973.63
CA. Recycle Fee:	$1.75 ea. tire	$ 10.50
Total		**$ 288,364.13**

We have examined the detailed minimum specifications established by the school board and guarantee this bid to be in accordance thereto. Above price includes all dealer prep., pre-delivery service, necessary lettering, F.O.B. school district and documentation fee.

Brian Hedman, Sales Representative

Esabel Corrie 9/20/2024
Customer

Quote is good for thirty (30) days

*Subject to change due to volatile market

Quote No.: SB7347

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Bid Form

September 19, 2024

Customer Order No.: SBBM 09486

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Jefferson School District
1219 Whispering Wind Dr
Tracy, CA 95377

BusWest respectfully submits for your consideration our bid to supply 1 complete 19+1/6 var passenger school bus as follows:

Chassis Make: Ford **Model:** E450 **Model Year:** 2025

Wheelbase: 158" **Engine:** Ford Gasoline **Horsepower:** 350

Body Make: Thomas **Model:** Minotour **Capacity:** 19+1/6 var

Transmission: 5 Speed Automatic

Delivery Date: TBD Days after receipt of order **Subject to Prior Sale:** Yes

Cash Purchase Price (each):	$ 120,000.00	Tax Exempt:	$ 16,000.00
Doc Fee:	$ 85.00	Taxable:	$ 104,085.00
Sales Tax @: 8.250%	$ 8,587.01		
CA. Recycle Fee: $1.75 ea. tire	$ 10.50		
Total	**$ 128,715.51**		

We have examined the detailed minimum specifications established by the school board and guarantee this bid to be in accordance thereto. Above price includes all dealer prep., pre-delivery service, necessary lettering, F.O.B. school district and documentation fee.

Brian Hedman, Sales Representative

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Quote No.: SB7890

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