

STAFF REPORT



SUBJECT: The Interlocal Purchasing System (TIPS) Membership

DEPARTMENT: Police

STAFF CONTACT: James Gresham

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize an interlocal agreement for membership with the The Interlocal Purchasing System.

BACKGROUND:

The Stephenville Police Department has identified several vendors of police equipment that are part of the TIPS purchasing system. Membership in the system is free to all Texas governmental entities. SISD is already a member. Joining the system will allow the department to purchase equipment that already has contract pricing set at lower levels than could be obtained through local bidding processes. This will also increase the availability of some products that may not be available except through a purchasing system. The system is available for all city departments to use.

There is no cost to join or use the system.

FISCAL IMPACT SUMMARY:

Reduce costs and purchasing time on a variety of products city wide.

ALTERNATIVES

Do not join the system