

**PERALTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**  
**Board of Trustees Agenda Report**  
**For the Trustee Meeting Date of February 28, 2012**

ITEM #35

**ITEM TITLE:**

Consider Approval to Accept Proposal from SimplexGrinnell for Upgrades to Fire/Life Safety System in the District Sheriff's Office

**SPECIFIC BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:**

Approval is requested to accept a proposal from SimplexGrinnell for upgrades to the fire/life safety system in the District Administrative Center Sheriff's Office, in the amount of \$36,750.

**ITEM SUMMARY:**

The District utilizes a SimplexGrinnell fire/life safety system. In addition, SimplexGrinnell is under contract to maintain this system. In this latter capacity, recent inspections advise that the fire system hardware and software in the Sheriff's Office require an upgrade to operate properly and to accommodate new buildings. The SimplexGrinnell District Master Network Display Unit is saturated with information from existing and recently added buildings and has no additional capacity. This situation will not permit additional buildings (860 Atlantic Avenue, Laney Field House, Merritt Science and Allied Health, etc.) to be monitored by the Sheriff's Office. In addition, the present number of devices/points reporting to the master unit exceeds the number recommended, resulting in intermittent corruption of incoming data.

SimplexGrinnell has provided the District with a proposal to eliminate these problems through replacement of these degraded and inundated devices with new modern, higher capacity systems at the two critical communication locations (Nodes #1 and #42) in the Sheriff's Office. Their proposal has been evaluated by staff and deemed comprehensive and reasonable. The SimplexGrinnell fire system is proprietary. The hardware and software required for this upgrade can only be supplied and installed by SimplexGrinnell.

**SOURCE OF FUNDS (AND FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT):**

District General (Maintenance) Funds.

**BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:**

Board approval to accept this proposal is required because including the current contract with SimplexGrinnell for the maintenance of the fire safety system, the annual threshold limit will be exceeded.

**DELIVERABLES/SCOPE OF WORK:**

Scope of Work (Fire Alarm TSW & NDU Upgrade):

SimplexGrinnell shall furnish fire alarm materials, programming, pre-testing and final testing for Peralta – TSW & NDU Replacement with a new 4100ES Upgrade (SimplexGrinnell to supply one technician at the FACP with assistance provided by electrical contractor). SimplexGrinnell shall upgrade the existing GCC system with a new TSW system and the existing 4020 NDU to a new 4100ES NDU and shall perform one pre-test and one final (10% testing) to ensure all new fire alarm panel/devices are

fully operational. It should be noted that this equipment is compatible with existing units.

**ANTICIPATED COMPLETION DATE:**

April 30, 2012.

**ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS:**

Not applicable.

**EVALUATION AND RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Approval is recommended to accept a proposal from SimplexGrinnell for upgrades to the fire/life safety system in the District Administrative Center Sheriff's Office, in the amount of \$36,750.

**OTHER DEPARTMENTS IMPACTED BY THIS ACTION (E.G. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY):**

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO   X  

**COMMENTS:**

No additional comments.

**WHO WILL BE PRESENTING THIS ITEM AT THE BOARD MEETING? (VICE CHANCELLOR)**

Vice Chancellor Ikharo

(\*\*\*\*\*Board contract approval is subject to negotiation and execution by the Chancellor.)

**DOCUMENT PREPARED BY:**

Prepared by: Dr. Sadiq B. Ikharo Date: 2-16-12  
Vice Chancellor for General Services

**DOCUMENT PRESENTED AND APPROVED BY:**

Presented and approved by: Dr. Sadiq B. Ikharo Date: 2-16-12  
Vice Chancellor for General Services

**FINANCE DEPARTMENT REVIEW**

Finance review required  Finance review *not* required

If Finance review is required, determination is:  Approved  Not Approved

If not approved, please give reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: Ronald Gerhard Date: 2-22-12  
Ronald Gerhard, Vice Chancellor of Finance

**GENERAL COUNSEL (Legality and Format/adherence to Education Codes):**

Legal review required  Legal review *not* required

If Legal review is required, determination is:  Approved  Not Approved

Signature: Thuy Thi Nguyen Date: 2-23-12  
General Counsel

**CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE APPROVAL**

Approved, and Place on Agenda  Not Approved, but Place on Agenda

Signature: Wise E. Allen Date: 2-21-12  
Wise E. Allen, Chancellor