FARGO BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMO #70 – 2023-2024

November 14, 2023

RE: Award of Bid – Maintenance Department – Fleet Vehicles

FROM: Kevin Heggeness, Maintenance & Operations, Grounds Supervisor

Jackie Gapp, Business Manager Dr. Rupak Gandhi, Superintendent

BOARD FOCUS: Action Required

Sealed bids were received on November 2, 2023, for two fleet vehicles (dump trucks) for use within the district. The vehicles will be used for snow and salt hauling in the winter months and landscape and debris cleanup in the summer months. Truck #1 is replacing a 2004 dump truck, which had a failed weldment that caused an accident in 2022, resulting in a total loss determination from the insurance company. This total loss resulted in a \$24,000 payment to the District for replacement. Truck #2 will be outfitted with a snowplow and will replace a 1996 super duty truck and 2004 pickup, both of which will be auctioned in the future. This will result in a reduction of fleet vehicles by one.

Nelson Auto Center submitted the sole bid for both dump trucks. The bid from Nelson Auto Center meets all specifications of the bid, with two alternate changes related to rear suspension and batteries, and is recommended for award.

Bidder	Total	Truck #1	Truck #2
Nelson Auto Center	\$196,603	\$108,024	\$88,579

RECOMMENDATION: Accept the bid of Nelson Auto Center in the total amount of \$196,603 for two dump trucks for the Maintenance & Operations Department and issue a purchase order accordingly.