

**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF HARFORD COUNTY**

**INFORMATIONAL REPORT**

**DECISION ON AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR PURCHASE OF A PORTABLE  
CHILLER**

**APRIL 25, 2022**

Background Information:

The Procurement Department, on behalf of the Facilities Department, is requesting approval of a single source award to Johnson Controls, Inc., located at 60 Loveton Circle, Sparks, MD 21152, for a portable air-cooled chiller in the amount of \$141,000.

Discussion:

The Facilities Department is requesting the purchase of a portable air-cooled chiller to provide cooling to sites as needed during times of outages or extended repairs. Currently, the chiller at Hall's Cross Roads Elementary School is scheduled for replacement next year, however the chiller is in need of repairs. Rather than continuing to make costly repairs, it was determined that it would be beneficial to the district to purchase a portable unit, for use at this location temporarily. This mobile unit will ensure this school will have air conditioning for the start of the cooling season. The purchase is contingent upon the availability of this equipment, after board approval.

Johnson Controls, Inc. is the only company that can provide us a chiller immediately compared to other companies, which would take 30-40 weeks, and is considered a single source provider.

The funding source for this purchase is the FY22 Capital Budget.

Superintendent's Recommendation:

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve the award of the contract to Johnson Controls, Inc., in the amount of \$141,000.