

# Memorandum



DATE **May 11, 2018**

CITY OF DALLAS

TO **Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council**

SUBJECT **Agenda Item #41 School Crossing Guard Services on May 23, 2018 City Council**

On Wednesday, May 23, 2018, City Council will consider agenda item #41 to authorize a three-year service contract with All City Management Services, Inc. (ACMS) for School Crossing Guard Services at locations throughout the City. This item will replace the \$2.4M School Crossing Guard Program Compromise and Settlement Agreement the City entered in January 2018 with the Dissolution Committee for the former Board of Dallas County School Trustees.

Cities with populations greater than 850,000 are required to provide school crossing guard services under Texas Local Government Code. Prior to the dissolution of Dallas County Schools (DCS) by voters in November 2017, this requirement was met through the City of Dallas' contract with DCS. Based on the Council-approved Compromise and Settlement Agreement, DCS agreed to administer the program from February 1 – July 31, 2018. If the contract with ACMS is approved, \$619,147 in projected savings from the Compromise and Settlement Agreement, along with \$200K in contingency reserve funds would be used to pay contract costs for August and September 2018, allowing for the transition from DCS to ACMS.

With more than 30 years of experience, ACMS is the largest private provider of school crossing services in the nation. The company employs more than 5,000 guards and has approximately 250 clients including municipalities, school districts, and counties. In Texas, ACMS currently serves eight cities, including Carrollton, Flower Mound, Fort Worth, and Irving. ACMS will provide Dallas with trained crossing guards who have completed the requirements outlined in the Texas Transportation Code. The City has requested that ACMS strongly consider hiring existing crossing guards who meet their requirements. Additionally, ACMS will create, implement, and manage a Volunteer School Crossing Guard Program to help address community requests for crossing guards at non-warranted intersections.

While authorization of this agreement will provide the necessary State-mandated school crossing guard services, conversations continue with impacted school districts and officials to develop potential interlocal agreements to address non-warranted intersections.

If you need additional information, please let me know.

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Kimberly Bizer Tolbert  
Chief of Staff

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