

February 24, 2022

## TO: THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF VALENCIA COLLEGE

FROM: DR. KATHLEEN PLINSKE President

## **RE:** CA #2022-19, AIR HANDLER REPLACEMENT, OSCEOLA & WEST CAMPUSES

Ensuring indoor air quality has become an important strategy to maintain the health and safety of our employees and students during the pandemic. To make further improvements in indoor air quality, the College will replace nine air handler units (AHU) that average 26 years old. As a general rule, AHUs should be replaced every 20 to 25 years. Locations for replacement are six AHUs on the Osceola Campus and three on the West Campus.

A thorough review of available options for purchasing the air handlers was completed by Valencia staff to ensure adherence to College HVAC Standards and preferred project timeline. In accordance with applicable law and College policy, Valencia leveraged U.S. General Services Administration (GSA), Federal Supply Schedule, Contract # 47QSWA20D002A with GSA's contracted vendor TRANE U.S. Inc. to purchase the air handlers for a total cost of \$999,993. The project provides a turnkey solution which includes, but is not limited to, demolition and removal of existing air handlers and installation of new units.

This project will be funded by Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds (HEERFII)/Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA).

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

The President recommends that the District Board of Trustees of Valencia College authorize the College to enter into an agreement with TRANE U.S. Inc. for the replacement of nine air handler units at the Osceola and West Campuses, as presented.

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