

# Texarkana Independent School District Administration

TO: ALL CURRENT AND PROSPECTIVE VENDORS

FROM: David DeFoy, Director of Purchasing and Special Events

SUBJECT: FORM CIQ: CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

DATE: August 9, 2021

Pursuant to the State of Texas House Bill 914, attached is form CIQ: Conflict of Interest Questionnaire. Please read, fill out, and return with original signatures the form CIQ to the TISD Purchasing Department at the address below. If you already have a questionnaire on file and no information has changed, you do not need to file this form again. Officers of the District which could apply to this questionnaire include but are not limited to:

#### **Board of Trustees:**

Fred Norton Bryan DePriest Wanda Boyette

Gerald Brooks Bill Kimbro

Paul Miller

Amy Bowers

Administration:

Doug Brubaker, Superintendent of Schools
Autumn Thomas, Deputy Superintendent
Ken Reese, Chief Operating Officer
Anita Clay, Chief Financial Officer
David DeFoy, Director of Purchasing and Special Events
A more comprehensive list of TISD administrators may be viewed online at <a href="https://www.txkisd.net.">www.txkisd.net</a>.

Please be sure to include the person doing business with TISD or the vendor name in box #1 of the form.

If you have any questions, please contact the Purchasing Department at extension 1025. You may also refer to the Texas Attorney General Opinion GA-0446 which can be viewed at the Texas Attorney General's website: https://www.texasattorneygeneral.gov/opinions/greg-abbott/ga-0446 Thank you for your cooperation.

Fax: 903.792.2632

### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE**

FORM CIQ

For vendor doing business with local governmental entity

This questionnaire reflects changes made to the law by H.B. 23, 84th Leg., Regular Sec	osion. OFFICE USE ONLY
This questionnaire is being filed in accordance with Chapter 176, Local Government Code, by a verbas a business relationship as defined by Section 176.001(1-a) with a local governmental entitivendor meets requirements under Section 176.006(a).	
By law this questionnaire must be filed with the records administrator of the local governmental entit than the 7th business day after the date the vendor becomes aware of facts that require the stater filed. See Section 176.006(a-1), Local Government Code.	
A vendor commits an offense if the vendor knowingly violates Section 176.006, Local Government offense under this section is a misdemeanor.	Code. An
Name of vendor who has a business relationship with local governmental entity.	
Check this box if you are filing an update to a previously filed questionnaire. (The law requires that you file an updated completed questionnaire with the appropriate filing authority not later than the 7th business day after the date on which you became aware that the originally filed questionnaire was incomplete or inaccurate.)	
Name of local government officer about whom the information is being disclosed	
Name of Officer	<u> </u>
Describe each employment or other business relationship with the local govern	
officer, as described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A). Also describe any family relationship with the local government officer. Complete subparts A and B for each employment or business relationship described. Attach additional pages to this Form CIQ as necessary.  A. Is the local government officer or a family member of the officer receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from the vendor?  Yes No  B. Is the vendor receiving or likely to receive taxable income, other than investment income, from or at the direction of the local government officer or a family member of the officer AND the taxable income is not received from the local governmental entity?  Yes No  Describe each employment or business relationship that the vendor named in Section 1 maintains with a corporation or	
other business entity with respect to which the local government officer serves as an officer or director, or holds an ownership interest of one percent or more.	
Check this box if the vendor has given the local government officer or a famil as described in Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding gifts described in Section 176.003(a)(a)(b), excluding gifts described in Section 176.003(a)(b), excluding gifts described in Section 1	
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A complete copy of Chapter 176 of the Local Government Code may be found at http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/Docs/LG/htm/LG.176.htm. For easy reference, below are some of the sections cited on this form.

<u>Local Government Code § 176.001(1-a)</u>: "Business relationship" means a connection between two or more parties based on commercial activity of one of the parties. The term does not include a connection based on:

- (A) a transaction that is subject to rate or fee regulation by a federal, state, or local governmental entity or an agency of a federal, state, or local governmental entity;
- (B) a transaction conducted at a price and subject to terms available to the public; or
- (C) a purchase or lease of goods or services from a person that is chartered by a state or federal agency and that is subject to regular examination by, and reporting to, that agency.

### Local Government Code § 176.003(a)(2)(A) and (B):

- (a) A local government officer shall file a conflicts disclosure statement with respect to a vendor if:
  - (2) the vendor:
    - (A) has an employment or other business relationship with the local government officer or a family member of the officer that results in the officer or family member receiving taxable income, other than investment income, that exceeds \$2,500 during the 12-month period preceding the date that the officer becomes aware that
      - (i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or
      - (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor;
    - (B) has given to the local government officer or a family member of the officer one or more gifts that have an aggregate value of more than \$100 in the 12-month period preceding the date the officer becomes aware that:
      - (i) a contract between the local governmental entity and vendor has been executed; or
      - (ii) the local governmental entity is considering entering into a contract with the vendor.

### Local Government Code § 176.006(a) and (a-1)

- (a) A vendor shall file a completed conflict of interest questionnaire if the vendor has a business relationship with a local governmental entity and:
  - (1) has an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, described by Section 176.003(a)(2)(A);
  - (2) has given a local government officer of that local governmental entity, or a family member of the officer, one or more gifts with the aggregate value specified by Section 176.003(a)(2)(B), excluding any gift described by Section 176.003(a-1); or
  - (3) has a family relationship with a local government officer of that local governmental entity.
- (a-1) The completed conflict of interest questionnaire must be filed with the appropriate records administrator not later than the seventh business day after the later of:
  - (1) the date that the vendor:
    - (A) begins discussions or negotiations to enter into a contract with the local governmental entity; or
    - (B) submits to the local governmental entity an application, response to a request for proposals or bids, correspondence, or another writing related to a potential contract with the local governmental entity; or
  - (2) the date the vendor becomes aware:
    - (A) of an employment or other business relationship with a local government officer, or a family member of the officer, described by Subsection (a);
    - (B) that the vendor has given one or more gifts described by Subsection (a); or
    - (C) of a family relationship with a local government officer.