AGENDA ITEM MEMO

BOARD MEETING DATE: September 9, 2021

TO: Board Members

THROUGH: Jeff Walker, Executive Administrator
          Ashley Harden, General Council
          Rebecca Trevino, Chief Financial Officer
          Edna Jackson, Deputy Executive Administrator, Operations and Administration

FROM: Darrell Tompkins, Chief Information Officer
      Dustin Roberts, Manager, IT Operations

SUBJECT: Shared Technology Services Contract Amendment

ACTION REQUESTED
Consider authorizing the Executive Administrator to execute an amendment to the Shared Technology Services (STS) interagency contract with the Department of Information Resources to extend the contract end date to August 31, 2023, with a contract amount not to exceed $3,325,982 during the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23 biennium.

BACKGROUND
In 2005, the 79th Legislature passed House Bill 1516 directing the Department of Information Resources to consolidate agencies’ information technology (IT) infrastructures to reduce statewide costs for IT services, modernize aging state infrastructure, and increase overall security and disaster recovery capability. Today, the STS program, previously known as the Data Center Services, serves over 200 state agencies and institutions of higher education, including the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). Requests for STS funding to sustain the TWDB Data Center server environment are part of the biennial budget process, and amendments to the STS contract periodically come to the Board for approval.
KEY ISSUES
N/A

RECOMMENDATION
The Executive Administrator recommends approval to authorize the execution of an amendment to extend the STS contract to August 31, 2023, with a contract amount not to exceed $3,325,982 during the FY 22-23 biennium.