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Item: Wide Area Network Fiber Maintenance Addendum
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RECOMMENDATION:

Kent ISD requests a \$111,730.57 budget amendment to fund four mandatory fiber optic relocations necessitated by external infrastructure projects and additional utility maintenance required by Consumers Energy, ensuring the continued operational integrity of our Wide Area Network (WAN).

BACKGROUND:

These relocations are essential to maintaining the integrity of our Wide Area Network (WAN), which provides the primary data connectivity for our educational programs and district services. Failure to relocate these lines in coordination with municipal and utility timelines poses a high risk of "forced moves" or accidental damage, which would result in significant network downtime for students and staff.

The following table provides a breakdown of the cost by relocation:

Project Description	Requirement Type	Relocation Cost
Vacate Overloaded Poles	Utility Compliance (Consumers Energy)	\$30,165.70
New Traffic Circle	Municipal Infrastructure Requirement	\$33,454.91
Power Pole Relocation	Utility Compliance (Consumers Energy)	\$15,772.05
Pedestrian Walkway & Tunnel	Municipal Infrastructure Requirement	\$20,414.40
NJUNS and Miss Dig Locates	Utility Compliance (Consumers Energy)	\$11,923.51
Total Requested Funding		\$111,730.57