



**Notice of Information Item No. 3**

**Dated: February 19, 2021**

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**Arlington Public Schools  
Procurement Office**

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**Invitation to Bid 17FY21**

**Invitation to Bid Title:** Kitchen and Entrance Renovations to Key Elementary School

**Invitation to Bid Number:** 17FY21

**Invitation to Bid Issue Date:** January 29, 2021

**Pre-Bid Conference:** February 5, 2021 (Refer to Invitation Title Page 2)

**Bid Closing Date/Time:** March 5, 2021, No Later Than 11:59 P.M. (EDT)

**Bid Opening Date/Time:** March 8, 2021 at 10:00 A.M. (EDT)

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The following information is provided to help Bidders submit a Bid in response to ITB 17FY21.

**Questions Asked During Pre-Bid Conference and Site Visits**

Q1 What is the period of Performance?

A1 The period of performance for each project can be found at Section 4, Contract Period, of the Agreement Between and Contractor in the respective ITBs.

Q2 With a NTP of 4/29/21 may not give us enough time for deliveries.

A2 No. Contractor will need to expedite the submittal phase and expedite materials as required to meet the contractual deadlines.

### **Key Elementary School (First Site Visit):**

- Attendance
  - Ryan Keys – The Matthews Group (GC)
  - Brett Harrison – Barco Demolition (Subcontractor)
  - Scott Page – FH Paschen (GC)
  - Doug Gehley – VMDO (Architect)
  - Kristen Hill – VMDO (Architect)
  - Jessica Ferrari – Whiting-Turner
  - Matt Williams – APS
  - Brice Queen – CMTA (Engineer)

Q1 What is the thickness of the concrete slab to be demolished, if known?

A1 It is unknown and unspecified on the drawings.

Q2 Will there be staff in the building when we mobilize on site?

A2 Yes, there will be a limited amount of staff in the building including the administrative staff and custodians. The admin staff plan to be working somewhere in the building, away from the construction zone, but is subject to change.

Q3 Will we be allowed to park in the school's parking lot?

A3 Yes.

### **Key Elementary School (Second Site Visit):**

- Attendance
  - Ryan Keys – The Matthews Group (GC)
  - Lee Rodriguez – Vision Works (sub)
  - Jay Na – FH Paschen (GC)
  - Doug Gehley – VMDO (Architect)
  - Gerry Nowal – Meridian Construction (GC)
  - Brent Jones – PCS (demo sub)
  - Pamela Cespedes – CCP Demo (sub)
  - Casiano Cespedes - CCP Demo (sub)
  - Matt Williams – APS (owner)
  - Daniel Zildeimen – ACM (abatement sub)

Q1 What are the hours we are allowed to work?

A1 The Contractor must comply with Arlington County noise ordinances. Allowable time to work are specified in the Contract Documents. APS will open the school for the Contractor nights and weekends if needed.

### **Questions Received Outside of the Pre-Bid Conference**

Q1 I would like to request a planholders or bidders list, and to confirm that the bid date and time are unchanged.

A1 Information on who attended the pre-Bid Conference, who has requested copies of the drawings/specifications are attached. It is confirmed the Bid Closing Date/Time remain unchanged.

- Q2 If any addenda have been recently released and you are able to attach them to this response that would be appreciated.
- A2 All Addenda shall be posted on the APS website and on eVA. It is the responsibility of each Bidder to access this information.
- Q3 Steamer spec model is E64803E140DBL – (2) 480v steamer cavities. Schedule model is E62083E120 DBL and lists (2) 208v cavities. We think the correct current model is E62083E150 DBL, please confirm?
- A4 Please refer to Amendment No. 1
- Q5. Walk-in specs state the box is to be floorless without floor panels, wall panels are to lock into metal clad 4-1/2” high screeds. Section C details on special conditions K500 shows the box with interior ramp and floor panels. Sections A and B show interior floor angle. Structural & Architectural drawings do not show a recessed pit, please confirm the desired intent is for the box to have floor panels with interior ramp. Please specify floor panel finish.
- A5 All Walk-ins are to have an interior ramp.
- Q6 Are the following equivalent brands acceptable ? We understand that footprint, utility, capacity, function must match the basis of design:
- Duke & LTI in addition to Delfield for the custom serving counters
  - Kolpak & Thermalrite in addition to Bally for the custom walk-in boxes
  - Powersoak & Insinger in addition to Duke for the custom prep sink
  - Continental & Delfield in addition to True for the upright refrigerators & warming cabinets
  - Vulcan, Rational & Convotherm in addition to Electrolux for the combi-ovens
  - Vulcan, Groen & Cleveland in addition to Accutemp for the steamers
  - Metro in addition to Cambro for the polymer shelving units
- A6 Refer to Addendum No.1 for acceptable equivalent brands.
- Q7 The drawings we rec'd were only 1st floor and were labeled “Kitchen Remodel”.
- A7 Please reference the Invitation to Bid located on the Arlington Public Schools Current Solicitations website for instructions on how to obtain all of the Bid Documents.
- Q8 In order to order to provide DAS proposal, we will need to see the floor plans that included Telecom room breakout and Riser Stack location.
- A8 There is no new DAS First Responder System. Reference bid documents for instances where a DAS device may need to be removed and relocated.
- Q9 Also, please confirm if there is a low voltage opportunity as we would want to bundle DAS with Cabling.
- A9 The bid documents do indicate some new low voltage scope. The bidder is responsible for all scope indicated on the documents and organizing their sub-tier subcontractors.

- Q10 Does a Bidder have to be a prequalified contractor with Arlington Public Schools before bidding on all Capital Bond Improvement Projects. Competitive bids for renovation projects obtained from prequalified bidders only.
- A10 A Bidder does not have to be a pre-qualified contractor with Arlington Public Schools to be able to submit a Bid in response to this ITB. There is no pre-qualification requirements. The ITB does have a minimum qualification/experience requirement. If the Bidder does not meet the minimum qualifications/experience it will not be considered for Contract award.
- Q11 Since this is an electronic bid, are we still required to submit two copies as per instruction 5.9, or is that a left over instruction from pre-COVID restrictions?
- A11 Only one electronic copy of a Bid is required to be submitted.
- Q12 Regarding the anticipated construction budget for each of the 3 projects – in one outlet, it states \$1 M - 2,999,999; is that the available funds for the 3 locations combined, or per individual school?
- A12 The funds available for each Project will be announced immediately after Bid Closing and before Bid Opening.
- Q13 For Key ES, Sheet P200 Note P1 indicates "Contractor shall provide alternate pricing for installing grease interceptor outside." This alternate is not listed in Spec 01 2300 Alternates or on the Bid Form. Please provide a revised bid form to include this alternate.
- A13 Information will be provided in a later Addendum.
- Q14 Request thickness of the existing concrete slab-on-grade to be removed?
- A14 The existing concrete slab thickness is unknown and unspecified on the drawings.
- Q15 Can the due date for questions be extended so that any additional questions from the walk-through on 2/12/21 can be answered?
- A15 Questions received following the walk-through on 2/12/21 have been answered
- Q16 Please confirm the deck height in areas of new work.
- A16 Refer to Addendum No. 1.
- Q17 On page A11 of the drawings, Diagram 2; there is a note D-28 and D-27 but there is no description of what that work is. Can you please clarify the work related to notes D-28 and D-27?
- A17 Refer to Addendum No. 1
- Q18 On page A700 of the drawings there is note 10 5113A "See FS DWGS". This page does not exist. Can you please provide FS DWGS?
- A18 Refer to Addendum No. 1

- Q19 On your website, I read that APS no longer registers vendors through its Procurement Office. Could please confirm that your bidding process is open? For example, we are pre-qualified with FX Co to bid on their projects. We are interested in a current solicitation for Kitchen/Entrance Renovations, and want to verify if there is any pre-requisite paperwork.
- A19 See the answer provided to question 10 above.
- Q20 Since the second site visit has been moved to 2/122021, will the deadline for bidder's questions be extended from the current date of 2/1021?
- A20 See the answer provided to question 15 above.
- Q21 Please advise if (3) separate bid bonds are required for each individual project, or if (1) single bid bond is acceptable should a contractor be bidding all (3) projects
- A21 Separate bid bonds are required for each individual project.
- Q22 Refer to section 1.10 of the Full Project Manual. According to the manual, contractors are to "keep driveways loading areas, and entrances servicing premises clear and available to Owner, Owner's employees, and emergency vehicles at all times. Do not use these areas for parking or for storage of materials." Per site walk Friday 2/5, each loading dock entrance was noted as available to be used by the Contractor as a primary dumpster and laydown location. Please confirm that using the loading docks for dumpster and material storage is still feasible.
- A22 Yes, Contractor will be allowed to use the loading dock for access and material storage. Contractor may need to relocate existing garbage receptacles for Waste Management to be able to access them.

Attached:

Pre-Bid Conference Attendee Report – 2021-02-05  
Requestors of Copies of the Drawings/Specifications

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