

Notice of Information Item No.3

Dated: February 19, 2021

Arlington Public Schools
Procurement Office

Invitation to Bid 18FY21

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Kitchen Renovations to

McKinley Elementary School (First Site Visit):

- Attendance
 - Ryan Keys The Matthews Group (GC)
 - Brett Harrison BarcoDemolition (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 finished, 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

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 E64803E140DB(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?
- A3 Refer to Addendum No.. 1
- Q4. Walk-in specs state the box is to be floorless without floor panels, wall panels are to lock into metal clad 4 . 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.
- A4 All Walk-ins are to have an interior ramp.
- Q5 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 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 & Convothem 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
- A5 Refer to Addendum No.1 for acceptable equivalent brands.
- Q6
- A6 The drawings distributed by VMDO were all the bid documents.
- Q7 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.

- Q8 Also, please confirm if there is a low voltage opportunity as we would want to bundle DAS with Cabling.
- A8 The bid documents do indicate some new low voltage scope. The bidder is responsible for all scope indicated on the documents and organizing their subcontracts.
- Q9 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

- Q15 Details on Sheets P100 & M101 indicate rough location of (2) beams in the lower level however Sheet S102 only indicates (1) beam to be strengthened. Please confirm only one beam is to be reinforced per S102.
- A15 Information will be provided in a later Addendum.
- Q16 Sheet S102 indicates a section slab to be removed and infilled roughly under the existing walkin freezer/above the existing electrical room. Please provide MEP details for this location. Additionally, please confirm if utilities are to be removed and reinstalled (i.e. shutdown of utilities for duration of structural scope) or provide additional details indicating how utilities are to be rerouted.
- A16 Information will be provided in a later Addendum.
- Q17 Please provide information on temporary provisions required during the shutdown of utilities for the slab removal and beam reinforcement work on the lower level.
- A17 Information will be provided in a later Addendum.
- Q18 Request thickness of portion of the existing concrete slab that is to be removed?
- A18 Refer to Addendum No. 1.
- Q19 On page A11 of the drawings, Diagram 2; there is a note D28 and D27 but there is no description of what that work is. Can you please clarify the work related to notes D and D27?
- A19 Refer to Addendum No. 1.
- Q20 On page A700 of the drawings there not exist. Can you please provide FS DWGS?
- A20 Refer to Addendum No. 1.
- Q21 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.
- A21 See the answer provided to question 9 above
- Q22 I am responding to your questions concerning the Kitchen/Entrance projects. On these projects there is no pre-qualification requirements. However, each BFB 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. This information is contained in the ITB.
- A22 See the answer provided to question 9 above
- Q23 Since the second site visit has been moved to 2/12/2021, the deadline for bidder's questions be extended from the current date of 2/10/21?
- A23 Questions received following the walkthrough on 2/12/21 have been answered

- Q24 Please advise if (3) separate bid bonds are required for each individual project or a single bid bond is acceptable should a contractor be bidding all (3) projects
- A24 Separate bid bonds are required for each individual project
- Q25 During the McKinley site walk, it was determined that the mechanical room existing conditions would likely not allow sufficient clearance for removal of the existing slab per note D-35/A101 to make way for a new 5" slab over 1/2" metal deck, in addition to added steel. Please advise if subsequent discussion has been had by the design team as it relates to an alternative way to reinforce the existing slab without completely removing it, to reduce the impact to the existing utilities in the space.
- A25 Refer to Addendum No. 1.
- Q26 McKinley Sheet S102 directs to disconnect all utilities impacted by this work temporarily to allow for access and new structure. Please advise if the electrical, water and gas lines running through this room serve any of the rooms in the building that will still be occupied during this work. Please advise if the electrical lines being disconnected feed the kitchen lighting
- A26 Information will be provided in a later Addendum
- Q27 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.
- A27 Yes, Contractor will be allowed to use the loading dock for access and material storage.

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