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Columbia Elementary School

16. Each Bidder shall acknowledge each Addendum in its Bid Form and Proposal by number or its Bid shall be considered non-responsive. Each Addendum shall be part of the Contract Documents.
17. Bids shall be based on products and systems specified in Contract Documents or listed by name in Addenda. Whenever in the Specifications any materials, process, or article is indicated or specified by grade, patent, or proprietary name, or by name of manufacturer, that Specification shall be deemed to be followed by the words “or equal.” Bidder may, unless otherwise stated, offer any material, process, or article that shall be substantially equal or better in every respect to that so indicated or specified. The District is not responsible and/or liable in any way for a Bidder’s damages and/or claims related, in any way, to that Bidder basing its bid on any requested substitution that the District has not approved. Contractor and materials suppliers who submit requests for substitutions prior to the award of the Contract must do so in writing and in compliance with Public Contract Code section 3400. All requests must comply with the following:
 - a. District must receive any request for substitution a minimum of TEN (10) calendar days prior to bid opening.
 - b. Requests for substitutions shall contain sufficient information to assess acceptability of product or system and impact on Project, including, without limitation, the requirements specified in the Special Conditions and the Specifications. Insufficient information shall be grounds for rejection of the substitutions.
 - c. Approved substitutions shall be listed in Addenda. District reserves the right not to act upon submittals of substitutions until after bid opening.
 - d. Substitutions may be requested after Contract has been awarded only if indicated in and in accordance with requirements specified in the Special Conditions and the Specifications.
18. All Bids shall be sealed in an envelope and marked on the outside of the envelope containing the bid, with the name and address of the Bidder, the Project name, Bid number, date and time of bid opening. Each Bid must receive a time stamp provided by the District indicating the time the Bid was received by the District. The time stamp will be placed on the Bid by a District employee when the Bid is received at the front lobby of the District and in compliance with the requirements set forth below. Bids will be received as indicated in the Notice to Bidders.

Sealed Bids will be received until

01:59:59 p.m., PDT, December 16, 2024
at Eastside Union School District Office, 44938 30th St E, Lancaster, CA 93535

Bid submitted after 01:59:59 p.m. as determined by the official bid clock in the lobby of the District Office, and as indicated by the time stamp placed on the Bid by a District employee when the Bid is received, shall be non-responsive and returned to the bidder.

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19. This Contract may include alternates. Alternates are defined as alternate products, materials, equipment, systems, methods, or major elements of the construction that may, at the District's option and under terms established in the Contract and pursuant to section 20103.8 of the Public Contract Code, be selected for the Work.
20. The District shall award the Contract, if it awards it at all, to the lowest responsive responsible bidder based on the criteria as indicated in the Notice to Bidders. In the event two or more responsible bidders submit identical bids, the District shall select the Bidder to whom to award the Contract by lot.
21. Prior to the execution of the Agreement, the successful Bidder shall be required to attend a post-bid interview and contract award meeting with the District.
22. Time for Completion: District may issue a Notice to Proceed within 10 calendar days from the date of the Notice of Award. Once Contractor has received the Notice to Proceed, Contractor shall complete the Work within:

By January 12, 2025

- a. In the event that the District desires to postpone issuing the Notice to Proceed beyond this TEN (10) calendar day period, it is expressly understood that with reasonable notice to the Contractor, the District may postpone issuing the Notice to Proceed.
 - b. It is further expressly understood by the Contractor that Contractor shall not be entitled to any claim of additional compensation as a result of the postponement of the issuance of the Notice to Proceed beyond a TEN (10) calendar day period.
23. The Bidder to whom Contract is awarded shall execute have all documentation submitted before the date of the Notice of Award. Failure to properly and timely submit the following documents entitles District to reject the bid as non- responsive.
- a. Agreement: Must be executed by successful Bidder.
 - b. Performance Bond (100%): On the form provided
 - c. Payment Bond (100%) (Contractor's Labor & Material Bond): On the form provided
 - d. Insurance Certificates and Endorsements as required
 - e. Workers' Compensation Certification
 - f. Prevailing Wage and Related Labor Requirements Certification
 - g. Drug-Free Workplace Certification.
 - h. Tobacco-Free Environment Certification.

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- i. Hazardous Materials Certification.
 - j. Lead-Based Paint Certification.
 - k. Criminal Background Investigation/Fingerprinting Certification.
 - l. Non-Discriminatory Employment Practices Certification
 - m. Any and all addenda to any of the above documents.
24. Any Bid Appeal by any Bidder regarding any other bid must be submitted in writing to the District, before 4:00 p.m. of the FIFTH (5TH) calendar day following the date of the notification of the intent to award. Bid Appeals shall be submitted via email to mpina@eastsideusd.org and shall meet all the requirements listed below.
- a. Once District staff has evaluated the bid proposals received and has determined the lowest responsive and responsible Bidder for award, a notification of the intent to award will be issued and sent to all bidders.
 - b. Only a Bidder who has submitted a bid, and who could be awarded the Contract if the Bid Appeal is upheld, is eligible to submit a Bid Appeal. Subcontractors are not eligible to submit Bid Appeal. A Bidder may not rely on the Bid Appeal submitted by another Bidder.
 - c. A Bidder may appeal to the District staff determination if the Bidder believes that the recommendation of intent to award is inconsistent with Board policy, the Bid's specifications, or was not in compliance. All Bid Appeal requests must be filed in writing with the Superintendent or designee within FIVE (5) calendar days after the date of the notification of the intent to award.
 - d. The Bidder shall submit a complete statement, including all documents, of any and all bases supporting or justifying the Bid Appeal request. The Bid Appeal must refer to the specific portions of all documents that form the basis for the Bid Appeal. A Bidder's failure to file the Bid Appeal documents prior to the Bid Appeal deadline shall constitute a waiver of the Bidder's right to file a Bid Appeal of the award of the contract.
 - e. The Superintendent or designee shall review the documents submitted with the bidder's claim and render a decision in writing. The Superintendent or designee may convene a meeting with the Bidder to attempt to resolve the Bid Appeal. Bidder shall attend the meeting when requested and may not delay the meeting.
 - f. The Bidder may appeal in person the Superintendent or designee's decision to the Board. The Superintendent or designee will provide twenty-four (24) hour notice via email to the Bidder of the time for Board consideration of the Bid Appeal. The Board's decision shall be final.
 - g. The Bid Appeal must include the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the protesting party or the person representing the protesting party.

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- h. The procedure and time limits set forth in this paragraph are mandatory and are each Bidder's sole and exclusive remedy in the event of a Bid Appeal. Failure to comply with these procedures shall constitute a waiver of any right to further pursue the Bid Appeal, including filing a Government Code Claim or instituting legal proceedings.
25. **Evidence of Responsibility** Upon the request of the District, a bidder whose bid is under consideration for the award of the Contract shall submit promptly to the District satisfactory evidence showing the bidder's construction experience, and their organizational capacity available for the performance of the Contract.
- District may also consider the qualifications and experience of subcontractors and other persons and organizations (including those who are to furnish the principal items of material and equipment) proposed for those portions of the Work. In this regard, the District may conduct such investigations as the District deems necessary to assist in the evaluation of any bid and to evaluate the responsibility, qualifications and financial ability of the bidder, proposed subcontractors, and other persons and organizations to do the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents to the District's satisfaction within the prescribed time; and the District reserves the right to reject the bid of any bidder who does not pass any such evaluation to the satisfaction of the District.
- Information regarding the bidder's previous experience on similar school projects, experience on Public Work projects overall, a summary of performance history and references is required to be submitted with the Bid. Please provide the contact / source information on the "References" form included within the Bid Documents.**
26. District reserves the right to reject any or all bids, including without limitation the right to reject any or all nonconforming, non-responsive, unbalanced, or conditional bids, to re-bid, and to reject the bid of any bidder if District believes that it would not be in the best interest of the District to make an award to that bidder, whether because the bid is not responsive or the bidder is unqualified or of doubtful financial ability or fails to meet any other pertinent standard or criteria established by District. District also reserves the right to waive inconsequential deviations not involving price, time, or changes in the Work. For purposes of this paragraph, an "unbalanced bid" is one having nominal prices for some work items and/or enhanced prices for other work items.
27. Discrepancies between written words and figures, or words and numerals, will be resolved in favor of numerals or figures.
28. Prior to the award of Contract, District reserves the right to consider the responsibility of the Bidder. District may conduct investigations as District deems necessary to assist in the evaluation of any bid and to establish the responsibility, including, without limitation, qualifications and financial ability of Bidders, proposed subcontractors, suppliers, and other persons and organizations to perform and furnish the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents to District's satisfaction within the prescribed time.

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