

**Charleston County School District
 REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
 FACILITIES MAINTENANCE AND ASSET MANAGEMENT
DISTRICT WIDE FIRE INSPECTIONS, SERVICE & REPAIR**

Solicitation Number: P2204

Date: August 12, 2021

Addendum 1

SUBMIT OFFER BY: AUGUST 19, 2021 NO LATER THAN 2:00PM EST

SUBMIT QUESTIONS BY: AUGUST 6, 2021 NO LATER THAN 2:00PM EST

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PROCUREMENT OFFICIAL CONTACT:

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**ALL REQUESTS FOR QUOTATIONS MUST BE SIGNED BY A COMPANY OFFICIAL DULY
 AUTHORIZED TO BIND AN AGREEMENT FOR THAT COMPANY.**

You must submit a signed copy of this form with your offer. By submitting a bid or proposal, You agree to be bound by the terms of the Solicitation. You agree to hold your offer open for a minimum of ninety (90) calendar days after the Opening date.

Print Name of Offeror (Full legal name of business submitting the offer)		Date Signed
Authorized Signature (Person signing must be authorized to submit binding offer to enter contract on behalf of Offeror named above.)		Taxpayer Identification No.
Title (Business title of person signing above)		Telephone Number
Printed Name (of person signing above)		Facsimile Number
Company Address (Street, City, State & Zip Code)		
Contact Person (if different than authorized signature)		Email Address
Telephone Number	Facsimile Number	

The above numbered Invitation for Bid is amended as set forth below. The Hour and Date specified for receipt of bids has not been extended. This Addendum 1 is to establish a date for presentations, update bid forms, and answer questions.

Reference and acknowledge this Addendum on the offer submitted. Failure to acknowledge addendum may result in rejection of your offer. If by virtue of this addendum you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by submitting an amended bid prior to the closing date and hour specified.

AMENDMENTS/ADDENDUM TO SOLICITATION

(a) The Solicitation may be amended at any time prior to opening. All actual and prospective Offerors should monitor the following web site for the issuance of Amendments/Addendums: <https://www.ccsdschools.com/Page/432> (b) Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment/addendum to this solicitation (1) by signing and returning the amendment/addendum, (2) by identifying the amendment/addendum number and date in the space provided for this purpose on Page Two, (3) by letter, or (4) by submitting a bid that indicates in some way that the bidder received the amendment/addendum. (c) If this solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions which are not modified remain unchanged.

This Addendum 1 was issued to establish a date for presentations, update bid forms, and answer questions submitted.

- A. **Interviews/Presentations:** Bidders who are invited for presentations will meet at their predetermined scheduled time at Charleston County School District, 3999 Bridgeview Drive, North Charleston, SC 29405. Mr. Raymond Jenkins will contract bidders who are invited for presentations for their time to present. Due to COVID-19, bidders are asked to limit their representation to no more than two individuals.

DATE: August 24, 2021 10AM-1:30PM

1. Are suggested modifications to terms and conditions allowed to be submitted for consideration with our offer? **(Yes)**
2. Will our pricing be made public? **(Yes, the District is a public entity)** We see that it cannot be marked as confidential.
3. We see that minor repairs can be done at the time of service (fire extinguishers). Do you use a not to exceed for this? **(Yes)** If so, what is that NTE? If not, might we include one? **NTE \$250.00 per Facility (Fire Extinguishers Only)**
4. You note not to exceed pricing as a requirement for the bid. Can you elaborate more on what you consider a NTE? **(NTE means if there are major system repairs exceeding \$500.00 per facility that need to be completed we require a written proposal so the claim can be verified, funding acquired, and outages scheduled)**
5. You reserve the right to use P-cards, will they be used for the fire services? **(Yes)** We'd need to know this ahead of time.
6. You note that PO's may be used, will they be used for the fire services? **(Yes) (A total of 6 Purchase Orders will be issued annually : #1 Fire Suppression System Inspections, #2 Exhaust Hood Inspections, #3 Fire Extinguisher Inspections #4 Fire Suppression system Repairs, #5 Exhaust Hood Repairs, #6 Fire Extinguisher Replacement/ Repairs.) Occasionally CCSD will issue additional Purchase Orders on an as needed basis for major equipment replacements/ repairs.**

7. You note that if our services are 10% or more subcontracted, we need to disclose the names of the subs. We consider this proprietary (confidential) information, and we may not exceed the 10%. Does this need to be provided? **(Yes)**
8. You note that subcontractors cannot be used without express approval. Can this clause be removed if we agree to remain 100% responsible for them? **(No)** We often flex in subcontractors on a case-by-case basis (and during emergencies), so preapproval isn't always something we can acquire. **(All personnel needing access to our facilities will need to be vetted by CCSD security no exceptions)**
9. You can terminate for convenience with 30 days notification. We can terminate, it appears, with 90 days written notification. Can you please verify? **(This is correct)**
10. You note that the lowest price will receive the highest score, but what other criteria will you be evaluating? **(Spelled out in the solicitation, page 19. Lowest price will receive maximum of 20 points)**
11. You note that 3 techs are required on-site for sprinkler services, but we don't necessarily do all services at the same time (backflows, fire pumps, etc.). Can this be omitted? **(No- Sprinkler, Fire Pump, and Backflows are already on an annual rotation that come due consecutively)**
12. You note that a written report is required at the time of service – most of our reports are electronic. Is this sufficient if we provide you with a link to retrieve them? They are digital. **(In addition to the provided electronic copy, a printed hard copy of all inspections is required to be placed immediately on site, location to be TBD once Tests and Inspections are completed.)**
13. You note that transportation charges must be included. We typically use a service charge for all inspections and repairs. How should we calculate this? Can we simply add it as a line-item on our pricing? **(No- Include in your rate)**
14. To that end, can we provide additional and/or alternative pricing as part of our submission? **(No)** Or must we follow the pricing format you provided? **(Yes)**
15. It appears you expect repairs to be included in our pricing, but that's impossible to calculate. We also see that labor is included in our submission. Can we simply provide the labor pricing and can you clarify that repairs are not included? **(No, we asked for an hourly rate for repairs)**
16. You note that a local representative must be used to coordinate inspections. We will have a local representative however the coordinator of the services may not be local. Is this acceptable? **(Yes)**
17. You ask for certifications for each tech. Given that this isn't practical, and it can change based upon the techs we're using, is this a requirement? **(The lead tech or Point of Contact will need to be properly certified for the type of work or inspection being performed, as spelled out in the NFPA mandates)**
18. In the pricing section, you don't separate backflows and sprinklers. How should we unitize each? **(Fill out updated Bid Forms)** Can we simply provide a price per riser and per backflow? **(No)** Also, how should fire line backflows be handled? **(They should be tested simultaneously with the system).** We assume domestic and irrigation are done as well, but can you confirm? **(Domestic and Irrigation are completed by another contracted vendor)**
19. We use an even exchange process when servicing fire extinguishers. It's basically an all-inclusive price and process whenever a recharge, six-year, hydrostatic test, etc. is required. Can we simply submit this all-inclusive pricing? **(No, please complete the Bid Form as is)** It's supremely beneficial to our customers.
20. Within the kitchen suppression pricing, you don't have a spot for additional systems and/or fusible links. How should these be priced? **(Fill out updated Bid Forms)**
21. Within the kitchen suppression pricing, you ask for chemical pricing, but that varies by MFG. How should this be handled? **(Fill out updated Bid Forms)**

22. Within the kitchen suppression pricing, you don't have a spot for annual puff (blow-down) tests. How should this be handled? **(Include into the Semi Annual Inspections)**
23. In regards to the fire sprinkler Annual, Semi-Annual and Quarterly inspections and testing portion of this bid;
- a) Are these inspections to be performed during standard or non-standard working hours? **(Non-Standard Unless Authorized)**
 - b) Can you please provide separate line items for each of the following; Annual, Semi-annual and Quarterly fire sprinkler inspections and testing? **(Yes)**
24. In regards to the Attachment E portion of this bid;
- a) Will you confirm responsibility for the fire hydrant testing? (In the past we were notified by the city that we were not to test their fire hydrants because they are city owned.) **(Hydrant testing will be conducted by the governing municipality)**
 - b) Will you please revise C.E Williams Middle Schools number of wet risers from (2) wet to reflect (3) wet systems and (1) backflow? **(Yes)**
 - c) Will you please add to East Cooper CAS (9) each floor controls? **(Yes)**
 - c) Will you please add to Garrett Academy (1) each Anti-Freeze System? **(Yes)**
 - d) Will you please revise Jennie Moore Elementary Schools number of wet risers from (2) wet to reflect (3) wet systems and (1) Backflow? **(Yes)**
 - e) Will you please revise Laurel Hill Primary Schools number of wet risers from (4) wet to reflect (3) wet systems, (1) Dry and (1) Backflow? **(Yes)**
 - d) Will you please revise Oakland Elementary Schools number of wet risers from (3) wet to reflect (2) wet systems, (1) Backflow? **(Yes)**
 - e) Will you please revise Sullivan's Island Elementary Schools number of wet risers from (2) wet to reflect (3) wet systems, (3) Dry, (1) Backflow? **(Yes)**
 - f) Will you please revise Toole Military Magnet Schools number of wet of risers from (8) wet to reflect (7) wet systems, (1) Pump, (9) Hose stands, (1) Backflow? **(Yes)**
 - g) Regarding the price column, is the intent to provide a combined grand total for each school's annual, semiannual and quarterly testing in designated cell for each school? **(Yes)**
25. In regards to the maintenance of portable fire extinguishers and hood fire suppression systems portion of this bid;
- a) Will you please verify- Annual maintenance cost for: Cost shall include required updated labels. Line item 1-6. Does this reflect the Annual Fire Extinguisher inspection with required tags? **(Yes)** Or is other maintenance above an annual inspection to be included? **(Annual Fire Extinguisher inspection with required tags)**
 - b) Will you please provide a replacement cost line item for a 6 Litter Class K Fire Extinguisher? **(Yes)**

- c) Will you please provide a line item for a per unit fire extinguisher 6-year maintenance per NFPA 10? **(Yes)**
- d) Will you please provide a line item for a per unit fire extinguisher 12-year hydro-test per NFPA 10? **(Yes)**
- e) Will you please provide line items for recharging of fire extinguishers to include all parts needed, to include; 5, 10 and 20 LB ABC's, 6 Litter class K's etc. **(Yes)**
- f) Will you please change the kitchen hood inspection from annual to semiannual as the scope of work requests? **(Yes)**
- g) Will you please add a line item for fusible links per each (To be changed out annually per NFPA 17a, quantities differ per each kitchen hood system.) **(Yes)**

PLEASE SEE UPDATED BID FORM FROM ORIGINAL SOLICITATION SECTION 8.0

BID FORM FIRE SPRINKLER

- 1. Annual Inspection for fire sprinkler and backflow \$ _____
 - a. Cost for testing each one \$ _____
 - b. Cost for flow switch \$ _____
 - c. Cost for tamper switch \$ _____
 - d. Cost for eschions \$ _____
 - e. Draining line Cost \$ _____
 - f. Retest after repair per location \$ _____

- 2. Cost for testing backflows/Certification \$ _____
 - a. Cost for kits \$ _____
 - i. Zurn/Wilkens 8" \$ _____
 - ii. Zurn/Wilkens 3/4" \$ _____
 - iii. Watts 8" \$ _____
 - iv. Watts 6" \$ _____
 - v. Conbraco 8" \$ _____
 - vi. Conbraco 6" \$ _____
 - b. Cost for retesting after repair per location \$ _____

- 3. Annual Inspection of Fire Pump System \$ _____

4. Annual Inspection of Private Fire Service Mains	\$ _____
5. Annual Inspection of Standpipe and Hose Systems	\$ _____
6. Cost for Hydrostatic test on Hose (per 100 ft.)	\$ _____
7. Optional: Complete loop drain, mix & test solution, reinsert solution into loop Test.	\$ _____
8. 5-Year Inspection of Fire Pump System	\$ _____
9. 5-Year Inspection of Private Fire Service Mains	\$ _____
10. 5-Year Inspection of Standpipe and Hose Systems	\$ _____
11. Labor Cost for Repairs, per hour	\$ _____
TOTAL	\$ _____

Note: All prices quoted must be all inclusive (ex: travel)

Exception: Tax

BID FORM FIRE EXTINGUISHERS AND KITCHEN HOOD FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEMS

MAINTENANCE OF PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS AND HOOD FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEMS

Semi-Annual Maintenance Cost for: Cost shall include required updated labels.

Kitchen Hood Fire Suppression (“Wet Chemical”) \$ _____

System to include Kidde, Ansul, Pyro-Chem or

Range Control

Hydro-static Testing – Small, when necessary \$ _____

Hydro-static Testing – Large, when necessary \$ _____

Fire System Wet Chemical per gal, when necessary \$ _____

Replacement Cost for:

Kitchen Hood Fire Suppression (“Wet Chemical”) \$ _____

System to include Kidde, Ansul, Pyro-Chem or Range Control

Fusible Links \$ _____

Hourly Labor Cost for Repairs \$ _____

Discount Percentage for Parts _____

Above unit prices shall include all other charges not listed except for sales tax.

Attach a fee schedule for anything not listed above.

Updated Fire Sprinkler System Bid Sheet – See Attachment E

Fire Extinguisher System Bid Sheet – See Attachment F