Department of Procurement Services

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

RFP 110226DAW Scenic Hills Elementary Windows Replacement

1. Construction start is showing as 5/31, and substantial completion is expected on 8/2.
   Follow the schedule

2. Are there any limitations that should be known? **No, except national holidays (i.e. July 4)** IE hours of work, fencing, securing of materials ? **Contractors are responsible for protecting their work and materials in all cases**. Should the school be in session during this period of work?
   No

3. Is there a specific "bullet resistant" film rating MSCS school is wanting?
   Refer to Design Guidelines

4. We can't reach the top piece of glass with the film or the attachment system/caulking because of the ceiling. Does the top piece of glass need tinting since it is above the threshold?
   Yes

5. Does the architect have an exact spec for the film? 3M S2400 or 3M Ultra 800?
   Refer to Design Guidelines

6. What color do they want the attachment system? White or black?
   Replace color like for like

7. There are no bullet resistant films and by law we cannot state this. Although these films have been used by all government entities for blast mitigation, we only refer to them as security films.
   Follow the Design Guidelines

8. Will this be night and weekend work because the children will be in class?
   Follow the schedule. Night and weekend work will need to be requested by entry into Facilitron

9. Please clarify if the fingerprint requirements/cost of $35.15, per person is required in addition to the $30 MSCS Photo Vendor ID requirements. Meaning each person working on site will require both fingerprinting and photo vendor ID for a total cost per worker of $65.15.
   The correct cost of the badge is $15. MSCS does not set the cost for fingerprinting

10. Is the GC allowed to employ any design firm listed on the MSCS FY26-27 list of approved firms, or are we restricted to only design firms who attended the prebid meeting?
    Yes, you are allowed to employ any firm that is listed on the MSCS approved list

11. Are existing louvers in windows to be removed and reinstalled or replaced in their entirety?
    Yes. We want a complete and functioning system

12. Existing window louvers – Will new louvers be installed into new window systems?
    Yes. We need a complete and functioning system

13. Additional building – There is a separate building located behind main school building, is this part of window replacement scope of work?
    Yes

14. Window layout – Are new windows to maintain same layout of horizontals and vertical mullions as existing?
    This is a design build

15. Glass type – Spec's call out multiple glazing low-e's will drawings be issued identifying the location of each specific type is required?
    This is a design build. Follow your architect's recommendations

16. The existing windows were not tested as part of Attachment B. Since the existing windows are metal sash windows, there is a concern that asbestos containing materials may be present. If the lead and asbestos survey results are positive, is the Contractor responsible for the cost of the required abatement?
    Yes

17. If the existing caulking around the windows tests positive for asbestos, the HVAC louvers attached to the windows may also require removal, abatement, and proper disposal. Is the Contractor responsible for the cost of these services?
    Yes

18. The existing HVAC louvers located at the top of the windows do not appear to be compatible with the new window system and may not meet commissioning requirements. Is the Contractor responsible for engaging a mechanical engineer to design new louvers and for furnishing and installing the new louver system?
We want a complete and functioning system

19. Is the Contractor responsible for removing the existing ceiling grid and ceiling tiles as required to accommodate removal and installation of the new window system, and then reinstalling the grid and tiles upon completion?
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20. Is the Contractor responsible for repairing and repainting existing window openings where damage occurs as a result of demolition and installation of the new windows?
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21. The existing window shades/blinds are mounted to the windows. Some are currently missing or damaged, and others may be damaged during the window replacement. Is the Contractor responsible for removing and replacing existing damaged or missing shades/blinds, including any that are damaged during construction?
Yes. Follow the Design Guidelines

22. Is the Contractor responsible for repairing existing brickwork that is damaged during demolition and replacement of the windows and HVAC louvers?
Yes, we want a complete and functioning system

23. The tuckpointing alternate was removed from the revised Scope of Services. Please confirm whether any tuckpointing will be required beyond repairs necessary for damage caused by the Contractor during the window and louver replacement work.
No

24. Is it the contractor's responsibility to remove and reinstall any chain-link fencing that is in the way of removing and installing the new windows?
Yes

25. Please confirm that both building on the property are to be included.
Yes

26. Please confirm what type of testing will be required for the commissioning on the storefront. Both chamber and spray test are noted in the specs. Being that no interior finishes can be removed or verified for chamber test. We would recommend the 501.2 spray test.
Spray test

27. Please confirm how many tests will be required for the commissioning on the storefront.
Follow your design team/commissioning recommendations

28. Please confirm finish as several different called out in specs.
Match existing color

29. Page 288, 2,02 a mentions front set, but typically center set is used. Please confirm that front set is required. Also, item B mentions an avanti single glazed glass frame in a deductive alternate "A". please define alternate A.
No alternate. Follow the Design Guidelines

30. Please confirm the process for submitting approved equal products as 2 of the typical manufacturers used on other schools projects are not mentioned thus severely limiting a competitive atmosphere.

    A. Tubelite is not listed as an equal, but meets all requirements and has been used on several previous new and replacement projects
    Follow the Design Guidelines

    B. Old Castle is not listed as an equal, but meets all requirements and has been used on several previous new and replacement projects
    Follow the Design Guidelines

31. Please confirm quantity of egress windows per classroom.
This is a design build

32. Please confirm that we are replacing all storefront doors, sidelites, and transoms. Please confirm hardware required on these door leafs. As specifications refer to a section not furnished.
This is a design build. Refer back to RFP specifications. Includes all storefront windows and glass.

33. Please confirm that the hollow metal glazing is to be replaced.
This is a design build/refer to RFP.

34. Please confirm that only 1st floor storefront are to have security film.
1st and 2nd floor

35. Please clarify if laminated glass is required at security filmed locations
Design build refer to architect

36. Please confirm the required glass for this project as several makeups and types are called out. Previous project have been either clear or gray solar ban 60 without argon.
Design build refer to architect

37. Are any horizontals required in the upper openings aside from that required for the louvers and egress windows?
    Design build refer to architect

38. Please provide floor plans of the 2nd building so we can make sure we have the proper number of egress windows.
    Field verify. All drawings we have were incorporated in the RFP

39. Will AC units in storefront be removed, replaced or reinstalled?
    Replace and install

40. Will protective bars or grating be reinstalled or removed?
    Replace and install to match existing

41. Is Window Demolition and Installation required to occur after/before School Hours?
    Follow the schedule

42. If Demolition and Installation is allowed during School Hours, when windows are being replaced in a given set of Classrooms, will they be vacated?
    Follow the schedule

43. If the Caulking around the Window Frames proves to have Hazardous Materials in it, this will require remediation both outside the Window Frame and Inside the Window Frame meaning Window Replacement will have multiple steps involved that may disrupt the use Classrooms, is this acceptable?
    Follow the schedule

44. If work is allowed during School Hours, is associated noise from demolition and installation?
    Follow the schedule

45. Are Window Shades to be replaced and installed?
    Yes. Follow Design Guidelines

46. Is there a portion of the Building where the windows should be replaced first?
    Follow the schedule

47. Are Exhaust Vents/Louvers located above Windows to be replaced?
    Yes, we want a complete and functioning system

Thank you,

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