



Notice of Information Item No.1

Date of Information Item No.1: June 3, 2024

**Arlington Public Schools
Procurement Office**

Invitation to Bid 85FY24

Invitation to Bid Title: Drew Elementary School Kitchen Renovation

Invitation to Bid Number: 85FY24

Invitation to Bid Issue Date: May 6, 2024

Pre-Bid Conference: May 9, 2024, at 10:00 A.M

Bid Closing Date/Time: June 6, 2024, No Later Than 4:00 P.M. (Local Prevailing Time)

Bid Opening Date/Time: June 7, 2024, at 10:00 A.M. (Local Prevailing Time)

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- A. **Responses to Bidder Questions:** The following information is provided to help Bidders submit a Bid in response to ITB 85FY24. Drawings and Specifications for this Project will be available electronically as PDF file format by the Owner’s Representative (Architect), MTFa. To access updated Drawings and Specifications, please contact Owner’s Representative (Architect), Meagan Jancy, at meaganj@mtfa.net.

No.	Bidders Questions	APS Response
1	Please provide an extension for the bid due date of 2 weeks	The bid due date has been extended for June 6, 2024.
2	Drawing S-001 – Section X Testing and Inspection: Please clarify if contractor or APS is responsible for structural, concrete cylinders, and soil testing.	Design note X includes the following: "THE OWNER SHALL RETAIN THE SERVICES OF AN INSPECTION AGENCY TO PERFORM THE FOLLOWING SERVICES. ADDITIONAL INSPECTIONS SHALL BE PROVIDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH IBC SPECIAL INSPECTION

		REQUIREMENTS AND LOCAL CODE REQUIREMENTS."
3	Drawing S-001 – Section XI – Earthwork Note H – Please clarify the type of testing required for fill material	Type of testing for compaction is per design note XI.I (Modified Proctor method).
4	Drawing S-001 – Section VIII – General Note D & E – Please clarify which items of work will require a registered professional engineer's review	Temporary Bracing & Shoring for existing structure for demo. of ex. walls at new wall opening & installation of lintels/beams.
5	Drawing P-201 – Key Note #2 – Please confirm that 1/2" HW (TO FILL FAUCET) is to be run under slab	Confirmed. The ½" HW to the Fill Faucet (RI # 13) is to be installed below the floor slab. Below slab domestic water piping is Type K copper with elastomeric cellular insulation.
6	Drawing P-201 – Key Note #3 – Please confirm depth of existing sanitary line connection points	The depth and exact field conditions will need to be verified during initial project construction by inspection. All connections to existing shown as gravity should have sufficient fall based on existing system layouts. The SE-1 is provided to address connection of new sanitary serving the addition area.
7	Drawing AF101 – Key Note #09.22 references CT-1 but Finish Schedule does not. Please clarify	Keynote 09.22 references QT-1. Quarry Tile is specified under 093013 Ceramic Tile.
8	Drawing AF101 – Interior Finish Schedule – Please provide information marked as TBD on finish schedule	Refer to finish schedule on Sheet AF-101
9	Please provide hazmat investigation report for existing areas	A hazmat investigation report will be provided either prior to or immediately after the due date. All bidders are to ensure they have an abatement contractor listed in the State of Virginia and Arlington as part of their team if needed for any hazmat work. APS will provide third party monitoring of any hazmat work to be done
10	Specifications Section 017419 – CONSTRUCTION WASTE MANAGEMENT – Please confirm 75 percent diversion requirement.	Diversion to be 75% minimum.
11	Specifications Section 04 20 00 para 2.02.H, there are a few pattern options for the split face CMU for the exterior with the note on each option to "Match Architect's samples." Please clarify which pattern option is to be assumed at this time.	Specifications Section 2.02.H - All block to be running bond.
12	Specifications Section 095113 – ACOUSTICAL PANEL CEILINGS – Please confirm a Delegated Design Submittals is required for seismic restraints for ceiling systems	Delegated Design Submittals is required for seismic restraints for ceiling systems

13	Specifications Section 05 50 00 Metal Fabrications is noted on Table of Contents but missing in specs. Please provide if applicable	Specification Section 05 50 00 Metal Fabrications deleted from the specifications TOC.
14	Specifications SECTION 072500 – WEATHER BARRIERS – Please provide required product data and manufacturers	Refer to the revised Specification Section 072500 Weather Barriers for additional information.
15	Specifications Section 28 31 00 – Paragraph 1.8 Item D – Please clarify what allowance is required here.	Contractor to include up to two site visits to trouble shoot a call that the FA system is showing a problem but it is another trade’s equipment that is actually in error.
16	Please clarify if a color has been selected for the split face CMU (04 20 00 para 2.02.F) as that is also noted to "Match Architect's samples."	Architect to select from manufacturer's full range. 2.02.B.1.a is Basis of Design: York Building Products, Standard Split Block.
17	Please provide information on existing roof warranty	Will be provided post award.
18	Please clarify if access controls will be contractor or APS	Access controls are to be provided by the Contractor with their bid using Skyhop the vendor that works on all APS access control projects.
19	Please clarify the timeline of construction. When is contractor allowed to have a shutdown for utility relocation? What work is allowed over Winter and Spring Break? What work is allowed during school hours? Which portion of the work is expected to be completed during Summer Break 2024?	APS expects the addition and all site work to be majority complete prior to the summer of 2025. Working within the APS holiday breaks will be discussed post award.
20	For a Start date of June 24, 2024, please confirm that building permit and LDA are approved and ready to be transferred to contractor.	Drawings have been submitted and are in review.
21	No signage schedule included with architectural drawings. Please provide signage information if this is to be provided by contractor.	See signage Specification Section 10 14 00.
22	Drawing A101 Section 2 General Note 12: “color and style to match existing signage system.” No dimensions / style / verbiage has been provided for existing signs.	See signage Specification Section 10 14 00.
23	Please provide BOD for tackboard mentioned in 10.02 Drawing AF101	Refer to Specification Section 101100 Visual Display Units for tackboard requirements

24	Please clarify conflicting verbiage about signage on new work and demo plans on A101: “remove and salvage signs” on demo plan and “install new signs for new doors” on new work plan.	All new signage required. See signage Specification Section 10 14 00.
25	Section 27 53 14 of specification stated regarding Master Clock and Program System. However these are not identified and shown in the drawings, Please confirm if Master Clock and Program system is required for this project per section 27 53 14. We do not see this noted on drawings.	The existing clock serving the kitchen renovation area is shown as existing to remain in the current location on the plan south wall common to the adjacent stage area in Servery/Prep 101. The specification section was included if for any reason a new clock should be required during the renovation.
26	Would you mind letting me know if this project requires a prevailing wage rate?	This project will not utilize a prevailing wage rate

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