

BID #014-LL09 – Q&A
9/14/10

1. Question:

Does this bid replace Bid 055-KK09, which was rejected at the September 7, 2010 Board meeting?

Answer:

YES

2. Question:

Are General and Building Contractors, who are certified as an M-DCPS Prequalified Contractor, the only companies who can submit a bid package?

Answer:

YES

3. Question:

How long does the Contractor Prequalification process take, and how can I start the process, or how can I follow-up on my prequalification application submitted and my current status?

Answer:

Please review the process online at <http://prequalification.dadeschools.net/>, and/or contact the Office of Compliance and Business Services for more information. The above link will also provide bidders with the most current published list of Prequalified Contractors by trade, when the **“Contractor Prequalification”** link, and then the **“Contractor Status”** links are clicked on.

4. Question:

What's different in this bid from the bid M-DCPS rejected?

Answer:

The key changes in this bid; but not limited to, are:

- CONTRACTOR PREQUALIFICATION REQUIREMENT
- CONE OF SILENCE BOARD RULE CHANGE
- LOBBYIST BOARD RULE CHANGE

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Other miscellaneous language was revised; therefore it is the Contractor responsibility to read the bid package in its entirety.

5. Question:

Is the pre-bid conference mandatory?

Answer:

NO, **BUT HIGHLY ENCOURAGED!**

This will be the best time while under the Cone of Silence, for Contractors to ask questions and receive a response from M-DCPS staff, prior to submitting a bid.

6. Question:

I sent in a bid the last time, do I still have to send in all of the “MANDATORY” documents requested, again?

Answer:

YES! This is a new bid solicitation; therefore all requirements for bid submittal must be complied with.

7. Question:

Are there any plans (drawings) for this bid?

Answer:

NO. Work will be purchased throughout the term of the bid, for individual projects, as the need arise and funding availability.

8. Question:

Is a bond required at the time of bid or before being awarded to participate in this bid?

Answer:

NO, bonding is not required at the time of bid. Throughout the term of the bid, for individual projects, Contractors will be notified by the Project Manager when bonding is required prior submitting quotes and/or commencing work.

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9. Question:

I'm a small Contractor with an exemption associated with my insurance. Do I have to meet the requirements of the insurance specifications, when a Certificate of Insurance is requested?

Answer:

Because this contract will require bidders to have a work crew to perform work, bidders are responsible for meeting all insurance specifications as outlined by the Office of Risk and Benefits Management. Bidders must contact the office of Risk and Benefits Management at 305-995-7133 should they have any questions regarding compliance with the insurance specifications.

10. Question:

When will a recommendation go to the Board for this bid?

Answer:

A recommendation is targeted for the November 16, 2010 Board meeting, however, M-DCPS does not guarantee that this bid will appear at this meeting.

11. Question:

Does M-DCPS accept faxed or e-mail bid package submittals?

Answer:

NO. Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope and delivered to the Bid Box. Please review the Bidder Qualification Form for the location, date, and time to deliver bids to the bid box. Please allow ample time for traffic delays, parking, checking in with Security, etc.

12. Question:

What happens if my bid arrives late?

Answer:

It will not be accepted and/or returned to the sender unopened.

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13. Question:

Can anyone attend the meeting when M-DCPS publicly open all bids (bid opening)?

Answer:

YES. It's a good meeting to attend, because it's the only time we can verbally, publicly, acknowledge all bids received and prices tendered, while we are under the Cone of Silence. Approx. (1) one week, subsequent to the bid opening, a copy of bid pricing only will be available for review, however, bidders will have to review pricing in the presence of the person operating as the Bid Clerk. A request for copies of these documents has to be requested via a formal public information request, which could take some time before it reaches Procurement Management Services.

14. Question:

How can I review the questions and answers posted for rejected Bid #055-KK09, since the bid is somewhat similar, with the exception of revisions?

Answer:

Bid #055-KK09 Q&A's can be found on Procurement Management Services website: <http://procurement.dadeschools.net/> under the:

- Bid Solicitation Portal link
- Click the "Search For Bids and RFP's" link
- Type in 055-KK09
- Click the "Q&A" link

15. Question:

When will we know the results (recommendation)?

Answer:

The results will be available when the Superintendent of Schools publishes a Notice of Intended Action (NIA), which can be found on our website at: <http://procurement.dadeschools.net/>. The Notice of Intended Action is routinely posted approximately two weeks prior to the Board meeting.

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16. Question:

Should I call, fax or e-mail the Buyer for the results?

Answer:

No. The Buyer has no authority to release the results. That authority resides with the Superintendent of Schools, via the Notice of Intended Action, which can be found on our website at: <http://procurement.dadeschools.net/>. The Notice of Intended Action is routinely posted approximately two weeks prior to the Board meeting.

Thank you for your interest in doing business with The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida.