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IFB ADDENDUM No. 2

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	IFB No.: DCP20-021	Date IFB Issued: June 23, 2020
TITLE: Electronic Signs at 19 PGCPS Schools		

TO: ALL PROSPECTIVE PROPOSERS AND OTHER RECEIPTS OF RFP DOCUMENTS (CONTRACT DRAWINGS & SPECIFICATIONS; QUESTIONS/ANSWERS)

This Addendum is hereby made a part of the Contract Document, which will be the basis of the Contract. This Addendum is issued to modify and/or correct the original Contract Documents issued on **June 23, 2020**. Prospective Offerors are requested to attach this Addendum to your Contract Documents. **Receipt of this Addendum must be acknowledged on Appendix A.** Failure to do so may subject the proposer to disqualification.

RFP PROCUREMENT MILESTONES

Proposal Submissions • **DELETE** all references to Monday, **July 13, 2020 (12:00 PM – 2:00PM)** submission deadline and **REPLACE** with Monday, **July 20, 2020 (12:00 PM – 2:00PM)**.

QUESTIONS/REPOSSES

Q1	Please confirm that the 30% MBE goals are applicable to each individual school location and the forms must be submitted for each individual school location.
A1	MBE participation will be required. Confirmation of the required percentage will be issued in Addenda #2.
Q2	We understand that we are to use the electrical wire and conduits feeding existing signs to power the new signs. Please confirm.
A2	For schools with existing electronic signs, existing wire and conduits to remain unless it is no longer usable and new signs will require upgrading of power supply.
Q3	Sections 01 2000, 2600, 3000, 7000 and 7800 contains references to Architect and activities the Architect is expected to perform such as approving payment requests, reviewing submittals, approving as built drawings, and final payments. It is our understanding that this a design/build project with the AE being part of the prime contractor team. Please clarify if PGCPS will have an architect assigned to this project to perform the referenced functions.

A3	This is a design/build project. Architect/Engineer should be part of the prime contractor. PGCPS will review documents in accordance with the approved contract documents, plans and specifications.
Q4	Section 01 5000 shows several requirements relating to field office, sanitary facilities, project signs, designated parking for architect, and other specific requirements. A. Please clarify if the requirements of this section applies to this IFB. B. If the requirements apply to this IFB, does this mean each school location must comply with these requirements?
A4	The individual project is small in scope, Most of the electronic sign can be manufactured and fabricated in a factory and can be assembled in the site. No field office is required for each school site. Sanitary facilities will be required because access to the school will be limited.
Q5	Language on each of the 19 different schools bid forms mentions the 5% bid bond. Are separate bid bonds required for each of the 19 schools or would one in the amount of "5% of the amount bid" be sufficient? IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF THIS QUESTION COULD BE ANSWERED AHEAD OF THE JULY 2 RFI DEADLINE.
A5	There could be a single or multiple awards as a result of this IFB. The vendor is required to submit a bid bond per the awarded locations. It is the intent of PGCPS to award to no more than 2 firms for this scope of work.
Q6	The IFB indicates that successful bidder must submit three different designs that will eventually be adopted by PGCPS for all locations. This means that each bidder might have to submit three different prices per sign (one for each design). Should we make copies of the pricing sheets and label them as 1, 2 and 3?
A6	Contractor to submit pricing based on design standard. Submission of three different designs is no longer a requirement.
Q7	It is our understanding that PGCPS will potentially be making awards for each school location individually. This means that PGCPS may end up with multiple contractors. How will PGCPS handle receiving three different designs from each awarded contractor then selecting one design for all 19 locations? We see a great potential for change orders if PGCPS selects a design that does not match one of the designs submitted by another awardee. Will PGCPS issue a contract modifications (both time and price) to remedy this situation?
A7	See response to Question #6.
Q8	IFB, Part II General Terms and Conditions, Section 2 Term of Agreement shows the start of Construction is Aug 17. However, Service Delivery and Implementation Schedule shows that Package to PGCPS is due on Aug. 14. Does this mean PGCPS will grant approval of the design in time to start construction on Aug. 17?
A8	PGCPS will expedite the review and approval of the design submission to minimize the delay of the start of construction. Permit Approval will be required prior to commencement.
Q9	IFB, Part II General Terms and Conditions, Section 2 Term of Agreement shows the start of Construction is Aug 17. However, Service Delivery and Implementation Schedule shows that Permit Review/Approval takes place on Aug. 21. Does this mean the contractor can start working before receipt of permit approval?

A9	We anticipated that the D/B contractor are familiar with the DPIE permit application process and can expedite the permit approval or maybe a walk-thru.
Q10	It is our understanding that there is eight weeks lead time on the signs. This will not allow for completion of the work by October 30. We respectfully request that the completion date be extended to November 30 to allow for timely completion of the project.
A10	Contract completion will be extended to November 30th.
Q11	IFB Page 10, Item 16.00 notes that if Liquidated Damages are not applicable, to put "NA." Liquidated Damages are not specified in the Bid Document, as noted in that paragraph. Please specify if Liquidated Damages are applicable and, if so, what the amount per day is.
A11	Liquidated Damages are not applicable for this project.
Q12	IFB, Part IV Project Specific Statements Work, Section 1 Existing Sign and Recommendations states "All signs will have a standard 5x10 LED panel specifically designed to meet specific school criteria." however, IFB, Part I Scope of Work, Section 3 Scope of Work states that the sign shall be 5' x 7' LED panel. Please clarify the size of the LED sign.
A12	5'x7'
Q13	IFB, Part IV Project Specific Statements Work, Section 1 Existing Sign and Recommendations states "All signs will have a standard 5x10 LED panel specifically design to meet specific school criteria." Where can we find the specific design criteria per school so we can design and price accordingly?
A13	All signs will be 5'x7'. Divided into 2 parts. Upper section to be 2'x7', School Name, lower portion, 3'x7' LED sign. See Basis of Design Spec for reference.
Q14	Please clarify if asbestos is present in the scope work area. If present, please clarify who is responsible for the abatement and disposal.
A14	Contractor to assume scope of work area is free from Asbestos.
Q15	In the Scope of Work, it is stated New signs are to be "connected to the existing school electrical supply".
A15	Yes, where an existing school sign is being replaced with a new sign, the sign should be connected to the existing school electrical supply. New wiring may be required to be installed to control the new unit from the office. Where electronic signs are being installed as a new installation, the constructor will be responsible to supply power from the building and should be controlled by hard wire or remotely from the admin office.
Q16	Will you be releasing data on how much power is available at each school that has an existing sign?
A16	Contractor to assume existing power supply is sufficient to power the signs. PGCPSS will coordinate access for the successful awardee to confirm power requirements after the award.
Q17	For schools that do not have existing signs or ones that require more power, will power/electrical be provided at the sign locations, or will it be the awarded contractor's responsibility to do the required electrical work (i.e. coring, trenching, etc.) to bring power to the new sign locations?

A17	Contractor will be responsible to perform the required electrical work to bring sufficient power to new sign locations and those requiring power upgrade.
Q18	In the IFB document, size is mentioned (2) times. Mention (1) Pg 4/23 "signs will have a standard 5' x 7'3" LED panel mounted on a 3' x 5' aluminum base" Mention (2) Pg 15/23 "All signs will have a standard 5x10 LED panel"
A18	Signs to be 5x7 to match other school with newly installed LED sign.
Q19	Is this size to be designed similarly to the "basis of design" attachment?
A19	Yes, Whether it is on pedestal, monument, double pole or masonry base.
Q20	Can you describe what parts of the sign this 5x10 dimension refers to? In this project, the signs will most likely be made of 3 parts, the top stationary ID/Logo/School name panel, the digital/programmable LED display, and the aluminum base.
A20	Normally the 5' height will be divided into 2 sections. school name on the top and interactive graphic display (letters and images)
Q21	Is the size in Mention (2) to be provided as an option in our bid, along with option 1 being the "basis of design" attachment sign installed at all 19 schools?
A21	Yes
Q22	Are ant drawings available for the electronic signs proposal.
A22	Bidders will develop design proposal and pricing for each. PGCPs to review and approve
Q23	Crossland High school appears to have a new LED sign. Please clarify if we are to remove and replace the sign.
A23	Crossland High School has a new sign installed and will no longer be required to price. Please exclude.
Q24	The pictures for Potomac Landing elementary school provided by PGCPs are actually the picture of the community center sign. Please confirm that the sign to be removed is not the one in picture, but the actual sign of the school on the other entrance of the school parking lot.
A24	Confirmed
Q25	We understand that we are to use the electrical wire and conduits feeding existing signs to power the new signs. Please confirm.
A25	If no power is available to the school site sign, Bidder is responsible to install and connect to the building.
Q26	(11) Old locations – Does the new sign replace the existing old sign at the exact same location?
A26	Yes
Q27	Is the sign monument installed directly buried in concrete or do we need to construct a concrete pad raised above ground- if so what size concrete pads?
A27	Designer should design the footing that can handle the load of the sign panel.
Q28	Does the concrete pads extend above grade – if so how high above grade?

A28	12" above fin. grade line
Q29	What is the extent of landscaping required to finish the ground after excavation
A29	Contractor shall maintain a positive slope all around the sign panel, put 4" topsoil and mulch all around the base. Contractor will be required to install mulch 5' around the base and restablize any disturbed areas outside of the 5' perimeter with permanent seeding.
Q30	Does Prince Georges county has landscaping specifications to follow to finish disturbed surfaces after removal of old signs or installing new signs?
A30	Contractor shall maintain a positive slope all around the sign panel, put 4" topsoil and mulch all around the base. Contractor will be required to install mulch 5' around the base and restablize any disturbed areas outside of the 5' perimeter with permanent seeding.
Q31	Will the client take the responsibility of landscaping after sign work is complete?
A31	Permieter landscape should be included in the contractor's scope.
Q32	At all old locations – Do we have working electrical power point? If no will client provide electrical power point at the locations?
A32	Some sites have working power. For new signage, electrical should be installed.
Q33	(8) New Locations – Will client provide electrical power to every location?
A33	Contractor shall install power line to be connected to the existing building. Control to the graphic shall be remotely or hardwire.
Q34	What is the nearest electrical point from where we can draw power to signs at every location?
A34	Contractor to field verify the existng power connection
Q35	Does the sign contractor need to supply computer for operating the LED sign or the school will provide?
A35	LED sign normally goes with a interactive control that can be controlled form the admin area. Training is required to the school staff after installation.
Q36	What is the method of communication to Electronic LED message board? – Wired or Wifi?
A36	As metioned in the scope, it can be WIFI or wired. Depending on the allowable distance.
Q37	(19) all locations – If wired connection between the sign and computer- What type of Cable? CAT or Fiber optics
A37	Manufacturer will recommend what is ideal.
Q38	What is the distance from sign location toe computer in school for all 19 locations?
A38	Contractor to field verify locations
Q39	If the distance for all locations from computer to sign is over 100 ft., if using CAT cable, Do we include signal amplifiers?
A39	Follow manufacturer's recommendation
Q40	If the option is to use fiber optics cable or CAT cable – Will the client provide end to end conduit and cable drawn including all accessories ?

A40	Contractor to include all scope required to furnish a turn key product. All wiring, conduit, etc. will be the responsibility of the contractor.
Q41	Do we need to include cost for onsite tech from Watch fire to provide onsite tech support during installation?
A41	Yes
Q42	Do we need to include cost for Watchfire tech for software installation and training staff?
A42	Yes
Q43	Crosslands High School was just upgraded less than a year ago, are we to include that in with this package since it was just upgraded? The photo of the sign you have in the package has been replaced with a pole sign and digital display on the corner
A43	See response to Question #23.
Q44	The sign specification drawing shows the LED sign to be 3'5"h x 7'3"w with an overall sign panel height of 4' 11"h x 7' 3" w. The Scope of Work calls for a standard 5'x7'3" LED panel, and the Project Scope in the PGCPSS 19 Electronic Signs FY20 calls for 5'x10' LED panels. Please clarify what size the LED Panel should be and what size the School ID cabinet should be? I am assuming the specification drawing is correct, but wanted to confirm.
A44	Size will be 5'x7. Please refer to Basis of Design Spec for general requirements.
Q45	Will all the signs be standard and identical in size to the LED Panel and School ID sign cabinet?
A45	Yes
Q46	Also, the drawing mentions Watchfire 16MM or 12MM signs. This is the only mention of brand or pixel resolution I can find in the bid docs. Are you accepting bids for any other US LED brand?
A46	Watchfire 16MM or 12MM signs is the Basis of Design. Manufacturers with Equivalent or higher pixel resolution will be accepted.
Q47	Can you confirm the size of the signs?
A47	5'x7'
Q48	Document PGCPSS shows a diagram of the signs with an ID cabinet at 18" H X 7' 3" W and LED signs at 3'5"H x 7' W. To the left of the diagram the size is called out as 3'H X 7' W.
A48	5'x7' will be the basis of design. Upper section is the school name, lower section is the LED sign with interactive graphics.
Q49	Doc IFB DCP20-021, page 4 under Statement of Work: The proposed sign will have a standard 5'x7'-3" LED panel. On page 15, 1. Existing Sign and Recommendations: All signs will have a standard 5x10 LED panel specifically design to meet specific school criteria.
A49	Follow the new 5'x7' size.

END OF POST ADDENDUM NO. 2