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ADDENDUM #1

Bid #25-JHP-014

**Modular Classroom Buildings at
Church Creek and Prospect Mill Elementary Schools**

TO: ALL BIDDERS
FROM: Jennifer Horner, CPPB, Procurement Agent
DATE: October 18, 2024

This Addendum is issued in response to prospective bidder's inquiries and to add/clarify verbiage in the Bid.

1. **QUESTION:** Is prevailing wage required?

ANSWER: No.

2. **QUESTION:** Church Creek Elem--Confirm that buildings need to be set up 30ft from one another. Per NFPA 101, if set closer than 30', the modular classrooms will require a sprinkler system.

ANSWER: It is the responsibility of the awarded contractor to lay out the new units per all applicable codes and guidelines in the approximate locations shown on the drawings attached to the bid documents. The contractor shall coordinate their installations with HCPS and the Authorities Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) in such a way that sprinklers will not be required by AHJ.

3. **QUESTION:** Church Creek--Do you have a site plan the location confirming the exact length of the 4" asphalt walk surface in addition to the placement of the modular buildings 30' from one another?

ANSWER: It is the responsibility of the awarded contractor to lay out the new units per all applicable codes and guidelines in the approximate locations shown on the drawings attached to the bid documents. All decks, ramps, and asphalt/concrete tie-ins must meet permit requirements and ADA specifications.

4. **QUESTION:** Prospect Mill Elementary--Do you have a site plan the location confirming the exact length of the 4" asphalt walk surface in addition to the placement of the modular building?

ANSWER: It is the responsibility of the awarded contractor to lay out the new units per all applicable codes and guidelines in the approximate locations shown on the drawings attached to the bid documents. All decks, ramps, and asphalt/concrete tie-ins must meet permit requirements and ADA specifications.

5. **QUESTION:** Church Creek & Prospect Mill--Are new fire alarm panels required? Will it be a stand alone system or are we to assume we are connecting it to an existing system?

ANSWER: Prospective offerors are encouraged to make themselves familiar with the sites. The existing unit at Church Creek has a FAP. The new unit needs to be tied into this existing FAP. Prospect Mill needs a FAP. The Prospect Mill FAP will be stand alone.

6. **QUESTION:** Ca you please clarify our scope of work regarding the fire alarm system.

ANSWER: See the section Fire Alarm on page 49 of the Single Classroom Portable Specifications dated August 2024 and Section 3, Site Inspection, page 29 of the Bid #25-JHP-014 Bid Specifications. A fire alarm panel will be required at Prospect Mill Elementary School. The existing unit at Church Creek has a fire alarm panel that the new unit needs tied into. Aside from providing the required fire alarm panels, the Contractor must also provide manual pull stations, horn strobes, and smoke detectors per the portable specification.

7. **QUESTION:** Please confirm the warranty should be for two years not one year which is standard in the industry?

ANSWER: Refer to page 32, Specifications, Section 11.1 – Guarantee/Warranty.

8. **QUESTION:** Will a fire alarm panel be required? Will it be monitored by HCPS fire alarm contractor?

ANSWER: Refer to Question #6 of this Addendum. No, it will not be monitored by an HCPS fire alarm contractor.

9. **QUESTION:** Do you have a drawing showing the exact location and length of walkways?

ANSWER: Prospective offerors are encouraged to make themselves familiar with the sites. It is the responsibility of the awarded contractor to lay out the new units per all applicable codes and guidelines in the approximate locations shown on the drawings attached to the bid documents. All decks, ramps, and asphalt/concrete tie-ins must meet permit requirements and ADA specifications.

10. **QUESTION:** What is the desired setback (distance between) the existing modular and the new modular at Church Creek ES?

ANSWER: Site locations in the bid packet are approximate and are also being used by the electrical designer and installer. Bidder is to familiarize themselves with the site and install their unit per the bid and in accordance with the various code and AHJ requirements.

11. **QUESTION:** Can we move unit closer to existing school at Prospect Mill in order to get away from the slope at that site?

ANSWER: Site locations in the bid packet are approximate and are also being used by the electrical designer and installer. Bidder is to familiarize themselves with the site and install their unit per the bid and in accordance with the various code and AHJ requirements.

12. **QUESTION:** Would you prefer more than (1) window on the new classrooms?

ANSWER: No.

13. **QUESTION:** Are state funds expected to be over the 25% threshold that would require this to be a prevailing wage project?

ANSWER: Refer to Question #1 of this Addendum.

14. **QUESTION:** What is the expected start date for the project?

ANSWER: After the notice to proceed and approved submittals to include a schedule.

15. **QUESTION:** What is the scope of HCPS's On-Call Electrician? Is the Contractor responsible for any electrical connections associated with the new classroom unit? The specifications also state that a fire alarm panel may be required. Please clarify if a fire alarm panel is required.

ANSWER: Bidder is responsible for electrical inside the unit. Refer to Question #5 and #6 of this Addendum.

16. **QUESTION:** Walkways – the existing classroom unit at Church Creek has concrete sidewalk. Should the walkway at Church Creek match the existing material or is asphalt acceptable?

ANSWER: Asphalt is acceptable, bidder must adhere to all applicable codes and the AHJ.

17. **QUESTION:** The existing classroom unit at Church Creek was installed too close to the curb and does not leave enough space for a sidewalk in front of the classroom. Please confirm this walkway will need to go around the back of the existing unit (at least 200 LF) to tie into the existing concrete sidewalk.

ANSWER: Some of the work visible at Church Creek Elementary has not been accepted by HCPS at this time.

18. **QUESTION:** Deck and Ramp footings – The existing classroom unit at Church Creek does not have footings under the stairs or ramp. Please confirm the new classroom units do not need concrete footings under the ramp and stairs.

ANSWER: Bidders are expected to bid this project using the specifications of this project.

19. **QUESTION:** The existing classroom unit at Church Creek was installed with plastic splash blocks. Please confirm plastic splash blocks are acceptable.

ANSWER: Bidders are expected to bid this project using the specifications of this project.

20. **QUESTION:** The specifications call for the new classroom unit to be factory painted, and then fully painted after installation is complete. Please confirm factory painting is acceptable with field touch-up as necessary.

ANSWER: Bidders are expected to bid this project using the specifications of this project.

21. **QUESTION:** Are prevailing wages required. I saw it in the RFQ documents, but it also said that it depends on state funds.

ANSWER: Refer to Question #1 of this Addendum.

22. **QUESTION:** You mention might need a fire alarm panel, but then mention battery operated smoke detectors. Can you clarify your low voltage requirements (fire alarm, IT, PA, security, etc.) as I didn't see anything specific mentioned in the bid documents. Are we doing stand alone, connecting to existing school, etc.... or is HCS doing all the low voltage?

ANSWER: Bidders need to furnish all items as per the bidding documents. See the Single Classroom Portable Specifications dated August 2024 on page 45 of the bid.

23. **QUESTION:** Is there a specific type of roller shade that HCS is looking for?

ANSWER: Heavy duty, cordless, fabric, standard colors.

24. **QUESTION:** Does Hartford County have any current site/elevation and or utility drawings showing existing electrical?

ANSWER: No, bidders are encouraged to make themselves familiar with the project sites.

25. **QUESTION:** For additional asphalt walks where should they land/connect at the existing schools?

ANSWER: Your required asphalt walks need to follow all codes and be submitted and approved by the AHJ.

I hereby acknowledge receipt of Addendum #1 dated October 18, 2024 to Bid #25-JHP-014 Modular Classroom Buildings at Church Creek and Prospect Mill Elementary Schools.

Company

Name (Print or Type)

Authorized Signature

Date

Note: Bidder shall sign and submit Addendum with submission. The same person signing the Addendum shall sign the Bid Form. Failure to submit the Addendum may deem your bid as non-responsive.