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Request for Proposal No.	XXX
Title	Educational Facility Assessments, Demographic Study & Master Planning
Date Issued	February XX, 2021
Issued on behalf of	Regional School District 17
Proposals Due	March XX, 2021 @ 4:00 P.M.
Submit Responses	Deliver/Mail to: Regional School District 17 Attn: John Mercier, RFP XXX 57 Little City Road Higganum, CT 06441
Deadline for questions	February XX, 2021
Contact for Questions/Project Manager	John Mercier, Director of Operations ( <a href="mailto:jmercier@rsd17.org">jmercier@rsd17.org</a> )
Pre-Proposal Meeting	Yes
Mandatory	No but highly recommended

### **Introduction**

Regional School District 17 (the “District”, Haddam and Killingworth, Connecticut is requesting proposals from qualified Educational consultant(s) and Architectural/Engineering firms for Educational Facility Assessments, Demographic Study and a Board of Education Master Plan (the “Plan”). The District will employ a consulting firm (or a team of firms, led by a prime firm) to simultaneously evaluate the physical condition of all existing school facilities, investigate and assess viability of alternate land/buildings and perform a Demographic Study projecting out at least 20 years in order to develop and prioritize options, prepare final documents, and present recommendations to the District. The full scope of work is described in the scope/specifications appended hereto.

## **RFQ/RFP SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

The District requests that you identify clearly your fee proposal sheet(s), as well as your bid bond pages if applicable. Bids/Proposals must be received by the due date and time in order to be considered. Please be advised that the District does not accept bids or proposals by email or fax.

The following documents should be returned with your RFQ/RFP:

- Contractor's Statement
- Non-Collusion Affidavit
- A Certificate of Corporate Resolution signed by the Secretary of your firm, authorizing you to execute a contract.
  - Or
- A Certification as to Contract Signatory for Limited Liability Companies (LLCs) signed by the Secretary of your firm, authorizing you to execute a contract.
- Proposer's Information and Acknowledgement Form
- Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Form W-9
- Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities Contract Compliance Regulations Notification to Bidders Form

[http://www.ct.gov/chro/lib/chro/Notification to Bidders.pdf](http://www.ct.gov/chro/lib/chro/Notification_to_Bidders.pdf)

### **Inquiries**

All technical inquiries regarding this RFP must be in writing and must be addressed to the Technical Contact identified on the cover sheet. The deadline for submitting questions related to this RFP is 10 working days before the due date. Responses to all questions will be furnished through a formal addendum following the closing date listed herein.

### **Incurring Cost**

The District will not be held responsible for any costs incurred by the proposer for work performed in preparation and production of a proposal or for any work performed prior to the issuance of a contract.

### **Rejection/Acceptance of Proposals**

The District reserves the right to refuse for any reason deemed to be in the District's best interest any and/or all proposals submitted under this RFP.

This RFP is not an offer to contract. Acceptance of a proposal neither commits the District to award a contract with any firm, even if all requirements in this RFP are met, nor limits its right to negotiate in the best interest of the District. The District reserves the right to contract with any firm for any reason. The District is not required to accept the low bidder's proposal.

### **Addenda to RFP**

Amendments to this RFP may be necessary prior to the closing date and will be furnished to all

prospective proposers. Failure to acknowledge receipt of amendments in accordance with the instructions contained in the amendment may result in the proposal not being considered.

### **Submission of Proposals**

Each proposer must submit their proposal by the date and time stated on the cover sheet. Proposals received after the date and time prescribed shall not be considered for contract award and shall be returned to the proposer. Neither faxed or emailed RFP responses will be accepted as qualified RFP submission.

### **Proprietary Information**

The District will not disclose any portion of the proposals except to members of the proposal evaluation team prior to contract award. The District retains the right to disclose the name of the successful proposer, the financial considerations and any other information in the proposal that is pertinent to the selection of the proposer.

### **Key Personnel**

Vendors must clearly explain and identify, in detail, the services they provide and identify their qualifications. Vendors must provide a resume indicating their experience.

### **Independent Project Cost Determination and Gratuities**

By submission of a proposal, the proposer certifies that in connection with its procurement:

The financial data in this offer has been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication, or agreement, for the purposes of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other proposer or competitor.

The financial data quoted in this offer will not change for a period of one hundred twenty (120) days after the receipt date at the District of this offer.

Unless otherwise required by law, the financial data which has been quoted in this offer have not been knowingly disclosed by the proposer and will not knowingly be disclosed by the proposer prior to award, directly or indirectly to any other proposer or to any competitor.

No attempt has been made or will be made by the proposer to induce any other person or firm to submit or not to submit an offer for the purpose of restricting competition.

No elected official or appointed official or employee of the District shall benefit financially or materially from this contract.

### **Prime Contractor Responsibility**

Vendors submitting proposals to this RFP may not utilize the service of subcontractors without the prior written approval of the District. If subcontractors or partners are planned to be used, this should be clearly explained in the response. The prime contractor will be responsible for the entire contract performance whether or not a sub-contractor or partner is used to perform. All corporate information required in this RFP must be included for each proposed partner or sub-contractor. The proposal must also include copies of any agreements to be executed between the prime contractor and any partners or subcontractors in the event of contract award. Under this RFP, the District retains the right to approve all partners or sub-consultants.

### **Availability of Funds**

The contract award under this RFP is contingent upon the availability of district funds. **In the event that funds are not available, any contract resulting from this RFP will become void and of no force and effect.**

### **Termination for Default or for the Convenience of the Contracting Agency**

Performance under any contract resulting from this RFP may be terminated by the District whenever:

The contractor shall default in the performance of his/her contract and shall default within the period specified by the contracting officer in a notice specifying default; or

The contracting officer shall determine that termination is in the best interest of the District.

Termination will be affected by delivery to the contractor of a notice to terminate, stating the date upon which the termination becomes effective. In the event of termination of this agreement as a result of a breach by the Consultant hereunder, the District shall not be liable for any fees and may, at its sole discretion, award an agreement of the same services to another qualified firm with the best proposal or call for new proposals and award the agreement thereunder.

### **Ambiguity in the Request for Proposal (RFP)**

Prior to submitting the proposal, the contractor is responsible to bring to the District's attention any ambiguity in this RFP. Failure to do so shall result in the contractor forfeiting any claim for adjustment based on such ambiguity as should have been noted by a prudent contractor.

In the event of any ambiguity between the District's RFP and the proposer's proposal, then whatever shall be more favorable to the District as determined in the sole discretion of the District shall prevail and take precedence.

### **Ownership Information**

The District shall have unlimited rights to use, disclose or duplicate, for any purpose whatsoever, all information developed, derived, documented or furnished by the proposer under any contract resulting from this RFP.

In the event of contract award, all data collected and other documentation produced as part of the contract will become the exclusive property of the District and may not be copied or removed by any employee of the proposer without written permission of the District.

### **Negotiated Changes**

In the event negotiated changes occur after the awarding of the contract, any policies called for in the original contract will remain in effect.

### **Contract Agreement**

The selected proposer will be required to agree to and sign a formal written contract agreement in a form approved by the District.

## **Insurance Requirements**

The selected proposer, upon the signing of the formal contract, will be required to deliver an insurance certificate in amounts, companies and terms acceptable to the District. See attached insurance requirements.

## **Competition Intended**

It is the District's intent that this RFP permit competition. It shall be the proposer's responsibility to advise the District in writing if any language, requirement, scope, specification, etc., or any combination thereof, inadvertently restricts or limits the requirements stated in this RFP to a single source. Such notification must be received by the District not later than seven (7) days prior to the date set for acceptance of proposals.

## **Tax Exempt**

The District is exempt from the payment of taxes imposed by the Federal Government and/or State of Connecticut. Such taxes must not be included in the bid price.

## **Notification to Bidders (Rev. 9-1-17)**

1. The contract awarded is subject to contract compliance requirements mandated by Sections 4a-60 and 4a-60a of the Connecticut General Statutes.

The District is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer/purchaser. Small, Minority, Women and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises are encouraged to respond.

The District aggressively solicits the participation of legitimate minority business enterprises as bidders, contractors, subcontractors and suppliers of materials. "Minority business enterprise" is defined in Section 4a-60 of the Connecticut General Statutes as a business wherein fifty-one percent or more of the capital stock, or assets belong to a person or persons: (1) Who are active in daily affairs of the enterprise; (2) who have the power to direct the management and policies of the enterprise; and (3) who are members of a minority, as such term is defined in subsection (a) of Section 32-9n." "Minority" groups are defined in Section 32-9n of the Connecticut General Statutes as "(1) Black Americans; (2) Hispanic Americans; (3) persons who have origins in the Iberian Peninsula; (4) Women; (5) Asian Pacific Americans and Pacific Islanders; and (6) American Indians. An individual with a disability is also a minority business enterprise as provided by Section 4a-60g of the Connecticut General Statutes. The District will consider the following factors when reviewing the Bidder's/Proposer's qualifications:

- (a) success in implementing an affirmative action plan;
- (b) where applicable, success in developing an apprenticeship program complying with Sections 46a-68-1 to 46a-68-17 of the Administrative Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, inclusive;
- (c) a promise to develop and implement a successful affirmative action plan;
- (d) submission of employment statistics contained in the Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities ("CCHRO") "Employment Information Form", indicating that the composition of its workforce is at or near parity when compared to the racial and sexual composition of the workforce in the relevant labor market area; and

(e) a promise to set aside a portion of the contract for legitimate minority business enterprises.

## 2. Non-Discrimination

(a) The contractor agrees and warrants that in the performance of the contract, it will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, mental retardation or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by such contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or of the state of Connecticut. If the contract is for a public works project, the contractor agrees and warrants that it will make good faith efforts to employ minority business enterprises as subcontractors and supplies of materials on such project. The contractor further agrees to take affirmative action to ensure that applicants with job-related qualifications are employed and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, mental retardation, or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by such contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved;

(b) the contractor agrees, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, to state that it is an "Affirmative Action-Equal Opportunity Employer" in accordance with regulations adopted by the CCHRO;

(c) the contractor agrees to provide each labor union or representative of workers with which such contractor has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding and each vendor with which such contractor has a contract or understanding, a copy of these provisions, advising the labor union or worker's representative of the contractor's commitments under these provisions and to post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment;

(d) the contractor agrees to comply with each provision of this section and Conn. Gen. Stat. Sections 4a-62, 32-9e, 46a-56 and 46a-68b to 46a-68k, inclusive, and with each regulation or relevant order issued by said CCHRO;

(e) the contractor agrees to provide the District with such information requested by the District, and permit access to pertinent books, records and accounts, concerning the employment practices and procedures of the contractor.

## 3. Subcontractors

The contractor shall include the provisions of subsection (2) in every subcontract or purchase order entered into in order to fulfill any obligation of a contract with the District and such provisions shall be binding on a subcontractor, vendor or manufacturer unless exempted by regulations or orders of the CCHRO. The contractor shall take such action with respect to any such subcontract or purchase order as the District may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions.

The contractor agrees to comply with the CCHRO's requirements as they exist on the date of this contract and as they may be adopted or amended from time to time during the term of this contract and any amendments thereto.

### GIFTS:

During the term of this contract, including any extensions, the Contractor shall refrain from

making gifts of money, goods, real or personal property or services to any appointed or elected official or employee of the District or the RSD17 Board of Education or any appointed or elected official or employee of their Boards, Commissions, Departments, Agencies or Authorities. All references to the Contractor shall include its officers, directors, employees, and owners of more than 5% equity in the contractor. Violation of this provision shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement, for which this Agreement may be summarily terminated.

**PLEASE NOTE: THIS AGREEMENT IS PROVIDED AS AN EXAMPLE ONLY. THE ACTUAL CONTRACT SUBMITTED FOR YOUR FIRM'S SIGNATURE WILL VARY BASED UPON THE PARTICULARS OF THE SPECIFIC RFP/RFQ PACKAGE.**

**AGREEMENT**

**THIS AGREEMENT** dated the \_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021, by and between the **Regional School District 17**, hereinafter referred to as the “District”, 57 Little City Road, Higganum, Connecticut 06441, acting herein by John Mercier, its Director of Operations, hereunto duly authorized, and hereinafter referred to as the “Contractor”, acting herein by \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, duly authorized.

**WITNESSETH**

**WHEREAS**, the District solicited Request for Proposals #XXX for \_\_\_\_\_; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Contractor has responded to the District by submitting a Response to the Request for Proposal; and,

**WHEREAS**, the District has accepted the Contractor’s Proposal for said work, pursuant to the terms hereinafter set forth.

**NOW THEREFORE, THE PARTIES AGREE AS FOLLOWS:**

**1. SCOPE OF SERVICES.** The scope of services shall consist of those duties, functions, obligations, responsibilities, and tasks set forth in: (a) the District’s Request for Proposal # , attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof; and (b) the Contractor’s Proposal, Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated herein.

**2. COMPENSATION.** The District shall pay as compensation to the Contractor a fee of \_\_\_\_\_.

**3. TIME OF COMMENCEMENT AND COMPLETION OF WORK.** The Contractor shall commence the work hereunder upon the execution of this Agreement by both parties and shall substantially complete said work by . It is agreed and understood that time is of the essence and that Contractor’s failure to substantially complete the work within the period allowed shall constitute a breach of this Agreement. Contractor’s sole remedy for delays shall be an extension of time to complete the work and Contractor hereby waives any claims for consequential damages, including, but not limited to, principal office expense, loss of financing, reputation and/or lost profit.

**4. REVIEW OF WORK.** The Contractor will permit the District, its officers, agents, and employees, to review, at any time, all work performed under the terms of this Agreement at any stage of the work.

**5. INDEMNIFICATION.** The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless The District, its officers, agents and employees, from loss, cost, damage, injury, liability, and claim for injury to or death of a person, including employees of The Contractor or loss of or damage to property, resulting directly or indirectly from The Contractor’s negligent performance pursuant to this Agreement, or by any omission to perform some duty imposed by law or this Agreement upon The Contractor, its officers, agents and employees. The foregoing indemnity shall include reasonable attorneys’ fees and costs of suit, if applicable, and shall not be limited by reason of any insurance coverage required pursuant to this Agreement;



**6. ASSIGNMENT.** The Contractor shall not assign or transfer any portion of the work set forth herein without the prior written approval of the District.

**7. BOOKS AND RECORDS.** The Contractor shall maintain or cause to be maintained all records, books, or other documents relative to charges, costs, expenses, fees, alleged breaches of Agreement, settlement of claims, or any other matter pertaining to the Contractor's demand for compensation by the District for a period of not less than three (3) years from the date of the final payment for work performed under this Agreement.

**8. INSURANCE.** The Contractor shall provide and pay for such insurance as is set forth in Exhibit A – Insurance Requirements of the District, attached hereto as Exhibit A and made a part hereof.

**9. REPRESENTATIONS.** The Contractor represents that it is an expert in relation to the work to be performed under this Agreement. The Contractor further represents that it has the requisite skill, expertise, and knowledge necessary to perform the scope of services required under the terms of this Agreement, including any supplementary work and the District relies upon said representation in executing this Agreement.

**10. INTERPRETATION.** The parties agree that in the event of any ambiguity between the terms of this Agreement, the District's Request for Proposal (Exhibit A), and the Contractor's Proposal (Exhibit B), the District in its sole discretion shall determine the terms and/or the documents which shall prevail and take precedence.

**11. NON-APPROPRIATION.** The Contractor acknowledges that the District is an educational entity and that the District's obligation to make payments under this Agreement is contingent upon the appropriation by the District's Board of Education of funds sufficient for such purposes, for each budget year in which this Agreement is in effect. If sufficient funds to provide for the payment(s) hereunder are not appropriated, the District may terminate this Agreement upon notice in writing to the Contractor.

**12. SUBCONTRACTING.** Aside from those subcontractors disclosed in The Contractor's Proposal, attached hereto as Exhibit B, if any, the Contractor is prohibited from further subcontracting the work of this Agreement or any part of it unless The District first approves such subcontracting in writing and approves, in writing, of the specific subcontractor(s) The Contractor proposes to be used. . The Contractor shall provide the District fully executed copies of the District State of Connecticut Contractor Verification (in accordance with Public Act 16-67) Compliance Affidavit(s) for all proposed subcontractors. An agreement made in violation of this provision shall confer no rights on any party and shall be null and void. Should The District approve of a proposed subcontractor,;

**13. TERMINATION.**

**A. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE, SANCTIONS AND PENALTIES.** If, through any cause, the Consultant shall fail to fulfill, in a timely and proper manner, its obligations under this Agreement, or if the Consultant shall violate any laws or any of the covenants, agreements, or stipulations of this Agreement, the District shall thereupon have the right to terminate this Agreement for cause by giving written notice to the Consultant of such termination and specifying the effective date thereof, at least five (5) days before the effective date of such termination. In that event, all finished or unfinished reports, documents, data, studies, photographs, or other material prepared by the Consultant pursuant to its performance under this Agreement shall, at the option of the District, become the District's property. The

Consultant shall be entitled to receive just and equitable compensation for any satisfactory services completed up to the effective date of termination. The Consultant shall not be responsible for any claims resulting from the District's use of the documents on another project or changes made to the documents without the Consultant's express written permission;

The term "cause" includes, without limitation the following:

- 1) If the Consultant furnished any statement, representation, warranty or certification in connection with this Agreement, which is materially false, deceptive, incorrect, or incomplete;
- 2) If the Consultant fails to perform to the District's satisfaction any material requirement of this Agreement or is in violation of any specific provision thereof or any State or Federal law or requirement; or
- 3) If the District reasonably determines that satisfactory performance of this Agreement is substantially endangered or can reasonably anticipate such an occurrence or default.

Should the District terminate this Agreement for cause, the Consultant shall not be relieved of liability to the District for any damages sustained by the District by virtue of any breach of this Agreement by the Consultant and the District may withhold any payment to the Consultant for the purposes of setoff until such time as the exact amount of damages due the District from the Consultant is determined. Further, if applicable, the District shall have the right to:

- 1) Complete the work of this Agreement, or any part thereof, either by itself or by other consultants, at the expense of the Consultant;
- 2) Purchase the products or services that are the subject of this Agreement elsewhere and hold the Consultant responsible for any increase in cost;
- 3) Pursue any equitable remedy, including, but not limited to, specific performance or injunction; and/or
- 4) Disqualify the Consultant from bidding on, submitting proposals for, or being awarded any District contract for a period not to exceed two (2) years from the date of such termination;

**B. TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE.** The District may terminate this Agreement at any time the District determines that the purposes of the distribution of monies under the Agreement would no longer be served by the services provided. The District shall effect such termination by giving written notice of termination to the Consultant and specifying the effective date thereof, at least twenty (20) days before the effective date of such termination. In that event, all finished or unfinished documents and other materials as described Subsection A shall, at the option of the District, become property of the District. If the Agreement is terminated by the District as provided herein, the Consultant shall be paid an amount which bears the same ratio to the total compensation as the services actually and satisfactorily performed to the effective date of termination bear to the total services of the Consultant pursuant to the terms of the Agreement, less payments of compensation previously made, and subject to the District's right of set off for any damages pursuant to the terms of the Agreement.

## **14. DISPUTE RESOLUTION.**

A. EXECUTIVE MEETING. The parties shall endeavor to resolve all claims, disputes, or other matters in controversy arising out of or related to this Agreement (“Claims”) through a meeting of the chief executives of each party, or their respective designees (“Executive Meeting”).

A request for an Executive Meeting shall be made by a party in writing and delivered to the other party. The request may be made concurrently with the filing of a non-binding mediation as set forth herein. The Executive Meeting shall be a condition precedent to mediation unless 30 days have passed after the Executive Meeting has been requested with no meeting having been held.

The Executive Meeting shall be held in the place where the Project is located, unless another location is mutually agreed upon.

B. MEDIATION. Any Claim subject to, but not resolved by, an Executive Meeting shall be subject to mediation which, unless the parties mutually agree otherwise, shall be administered by the American Arbitration Association in accordance with its applicable rules and procedures in effect on the date of this Agreement. A request for mediation shall be made in writing, delivered to the other party to this Agreement, and filed with the person or entity administering the mediation.

The request may be made concurrently with the filing of arbitration but, in such event, mediation shall proceed in advance of arbitration, which shall be stayed pending mediation for a period of 60 days from the date of filing, unless stayed for a longer period by agreement of the parties or court order. If an arbitration is stayed pursuant to this Section, the parties may nonetheless proceed to the selection of the arbitrator(s) and agree upon a schedule for later proceedings.

The parties shall share the mediator’s fee and any filing fees equally. The mediation shall be held in the place where the Project is located, unless another location is mutually agreed upon. Agreements reached in mediation shall be enforceable as settlement agreements in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

C. ARBITRATION. Any Claim subject to, but not resolved by, mediation shall, in the sole discretion of The District, be subject to arbitration which, unless the parties mutually agree otherwise, shall be administered by the American Arbitration Association in accordance with its applicable rules and procedures in effect on the date of this Agreement. A demand for arbitration shall be made in writing, delivered to the other party to this Agreement, and filed with the person or entity administering the arbitration.

A demand for arbitration shall be made no earlier than concurrently with the filing of a request for mediation, but in no event shall it be made after the date when the institution of legal or equitable proceedings based on the Claim would be barred by the applicable statute of limitations. For statute of limitations purposes, receipt of a written demand for arbitration by the person or entity administering the arbitration shall constitute the institution of legal or equitable proceedings based on the Claim.

The award rendered by the arbitrator or arbitrators shall be final, and judgment may be entered upon it in accordance with applicable law.

Any judgment will be entered or court action will be brought in a court of competent jurisdiction within the State of Connecticut.

D. **PERFORMANCE DURING DISPUTE.** Unless otherwise directed by The District, The Contractor shall continue performance under this Agreement while matters in dispute are being resolved.

E. **CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES.** Should either party to this Agreement suffer injury or damage to person or property because of any act or omission of the other party or of any of its employees, agents or others for whose acts it is legally liable, a claim for damages therefore shall be made in writing to such other party within a reasonable time after the first observance of such injury or damage.

**15. GOVERNING LAWS & VENUE.** This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Connecticut and the parties hereto hereby waive any choice of law provisions contained therein. Any action arising out of the duties and obligations of this Agreement shall be brought in either the Connecticut Superior Court in Middletown, Connecticut, or the Federal District Court in Bridgeport, Connecticut;

**16. GIFTS.** During the term of this Agreement, including any extensions, The Contractor shall refrain from making gifts of money, goods, real or personal property or services to any appointed or elected official or employee of The District or the Board of Education or any appointed or elected official or employee of their Boards, Commissions, Departments, Agencies or Authorities. All references to The Contractor shall include its members, officers, directors, employees, and owners of more than 5% equity in The Contractor. Violation of this provision shall constitute a material breach of this Agreement, for which this Agreement may be summarily terminated; and

**17. RIGHT TO WORK.** The Contractor recognizes that this Agreement does not grant the Contractor the exclusive right to perform the work for the District and that the District may enter into similar agreements with other Contractors for the same work at the District's sole discretion.

**18. CAPACITY/INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR.** The Contractor is acting as an independent contractor and is not an employee of the District. This Agreement is for services only and does not create a partnership or joint venture between the Contractor and the District. The District shall not be required to pay, or make any contribution to, any social security, local, state or federal tax, unemployment compensation, workers' compensation, insurance premium, profit sharing, pension or any other employee benefit for the Contractor during the Term. The Contractor is responsible for paying, and complying with reporting requirements for, all state, local, and federal taxes related to payments made to the Contractor pursuant to this Agreement.

**19. COUNTERPARTS.** This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original. The counterparts shall together constitute but one Agreement. Any signature on a copy of this Agreement or any document necessary or convenient thereto sent by facsimile, PDF or other electronic format shall be binding upon such transmission and the facsimile, PDF or other electronic format copy shall be deemed an original for the purposes of this Agreement.

Signature Page Follows

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of:

Regional School District 17

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness  
Print:

By \_\_\_\_\_  
John Mercier, Director of Operations

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The Contractor

\_\_\_\_\_  
Witness  
Print:

By \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Contractor's Statement**

I hereby provide the following:

If a joint venture, trustee, partnership, limited liability company or partnership, the names and addresses of all joint ventures, beneficiaries, partners or members:

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If a corporation, the names and addresses of all officers, and the names and addresses of all parties owning over 10% of its common stock or over 10% of its preferred stocks. If any of said stockholders is a holding corporation, the names and addresses of all persons owning a beneficial interest in over 10% of the common or preferred stock of said holding company.

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The names and positions of all persons listed hereinabove who are elected or appointed officers or employees of the District.

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Name of Bidder/Proposer: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Bidder/Proposer: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate if company submitting this proposal is: \_\_\_\_\_ MBE \_\_\_\_\_ WBE \_\_\_\_\_ DBE

**Non-Collusion Affidavit**

The undersigned, having been duly sworn, affirms and says that to the best of his/her knowledge and belief:

1. The prices in this Proposal have been arrived at independently without collusion, consultation, communication, or agreement with any other Proposer or with any competitor for the purpose of restricting competition.
2. Unless otherwise required by law, the prices, which have been quoted in this Proposal, have not been knowingly disclosed by the Proposer and will not knowingly be disclosed by the Proposer prior to opening, directly or indirectly, to any other Proposer or to any competitor.
3. No attempt has been made or will be made by the Proposer to induce any other person, partnership or corporation to submit or not to submit a Proposal for the purpose of restricting competition.

Name of Proposer: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ ss. \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, as \_\_\_\_\_ of the above named firm, and attested that the foregoing statements are true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge and belief.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

**Regional School District 17**  
**State of Connecticut Contractor Verification (in accordance with Public Act 16-67)**

**Compliance Affidavit**

I, the undersigned, personally and on behalf of \_\_\_\_\_, having  
(Contractor)

been duly sworn, affirm and say that I have read, understand and am in compliance with Public Act 16-67 Concerning the Disclosure of Certain Education Personnel Records, Criminal Penalties for Threatening in Educational Settings and the Exclusion of a Minor's Name from Summary Process Complaints, and that neither I nor said Contractor, to the best of my knowledge, is in possession of any information indicating a finding of abuse or neglect or sexual misconduct, or otherwise have knowledge of such a condition(s) for any employees working on the project identified in RFQ/RFP or Bid \_\_\_\_\_. Further, if I or said Contractor  
(RFQ/RFP or Bid Number)

become aware of any information indicating such a finding, or otherwise gain knowledge of such a condition, I and/or said Contractor will immediately forward such information to the District.

Contractor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of person completing this form:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ ss. \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, as \_\_\_\_\_  
of the above named Contractor, and attested that the foregoing statements are true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge and belief on behalf of himself and said Contractor.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Notary Public  
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_



CERTIFICATE OF CORPORATE RESOLUTION  
RFQ/RFP

I, \_\_\_\_\_, SECRETARY OF \_\_\_\_\_  
A CORPORATION EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_,  
DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOLLOWING IS A TRUE COPY OF CERTAIN  
RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SAID COMPANY, AT A  
MEETING THEREOF DULY CALLED AND HELD ON THE DAY \_\_\_\_\_ OF \_\_\_\_\_  
, 2021.

“RESOLVED, THAT THE \_\_\_\_\_  
OF THE CORPORATION BE AND IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO SIGN  
A CONTRACT WITH REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 17, CONNECTICUT FOR  
\_\_\_\_\_, RFP/RFQ No. \_\_\_\_\_”.

I, FURTHER CERTIFY THAT \_\_\_\_\_, IS THE DULY  
ELECTED \_\_\_\_\_ OF \_\_\_\_\_

AND THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION HAS NOT BEEN MODIFIED OR REPEALED AND IS  
IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE, HEREUNTO, SUBSCRIBED BY NAME AND AFFIXED THE  
SEAL OF SAID CORPORATION THE \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

\_\_\_\_\_  
SECRETARY

**CERTIFICATION AS TO CONTRACT SIGNATORY**  
*For Limited Liability Companies (LLCs)*  
**(Effective 9/1/2011)**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_,  
(name of member or manager) (Member or Manager) (name of LLC)

LLC, a limited liability company organized and existing under the laws of the State of Connecticut (hereinafter the "Company"), hereby certify that:

1. that \_\_\_\_\_ is run by \_\_\_\_\_  
(name of LLC) (Members or Managers)

2. that \_\_\_\_\_ is a \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_  
(name of contact signatory) (Member/Manager) (name of LLC)

and

3. that as such \_\_\_\_\_ is not prohibited from or  
(name of Member/Manager who is contract signatory)  
limited by the articles of organization from binding the LLC.

**IN WITNESS HEREOF**, the undersigned has affixed his/her signature this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

(LLC Seal)  
(Circle this L.S. if there is no seal)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary (name of Secretary)

**PROPOSER’S INFORMATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM**

RFP No: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Proposer’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

City

State

Zip

Business Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

DUNS Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Id. No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate (Yes/No) if company submitting this proposal is:

\_\_\_\_\_ MBE \_\_\_\_\_ WBE \_\_\_\_\_ DBE

(If yes, attach relevant certification)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Addenda Acknowledgement – check and note date of addendum

Addenda No. 1	Addenda No. 2
Addenda No. 3	Addenda No. 4
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**COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND OPPORTUNITIES  
CONTRACT COMPLIANCE REGULATIONS  
NOTIFICATION TO BIDDERS**

(Revised 09/3/15)

The contract to be awarded is subject to contract compliance requirements mandated by [Sections 4a-60](#) and [4a 60a](#) of the Connecticut General Statutes; and, when the awarding agency is the State, [Sections 46a-71\(d\)](#) and [46a-81i\(d\)](#) of the Connecticut General Statutes. There are Contract Compliance Regulations codified at [Section 46a-68j-21 through 43](#) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, which establish a procedure for awarding all contracts covered by [Sections 4a-60](#) and [46a-71\(d\)](#) of the Connecticut General Statutes.

According to [Section 46a-68j-30\(9\)](#) of the Contract Compliance Regulations, every agency awarding a contract subject to the contract compliance requirements has an obligation to “aggressively solicit the participation of legitimate minority business enterprises as bidders, contractors, subcontractors and suppliers of materials.” “Minority business enterprise” is defined in [Section 4a-60](#) of the Connecticut General Statutes as a business wherein fifty-one percent or more of the capital stock, or assets belong to a person or persons: “(1) Who are active in daily affairs of the enterprise; (2) who have the power to direct the management and policies of the enterprise; and (3) who are members of a minority, as such term is defined in subsection (a) of [Section 32-9n](#).” “Minority” groups are defined in [Section 32-9n](#) of the Connecticut General Statutes as “(1) Black Americans . . . (2) Hispanic Americans . . . (3) persons who have origins in the Iberian Peninsula . . . (4) Women . . . (5) Asian Pacific Americans and Pacific Islanders; (6) American Indians . . .” An individual with a disability is also a minority business enterprise as provided by [Section 4a-60g](#) of the Connecticut General Statutes. The above definitions apply to the contract compliance requirements by virtue of [Section 46a-68j-21\(11\)](#) of the Contract Compliance Regulations.

The awarding agency will consider the following factors when reviewing the bidder’s qualifications under the contract compliance requirements:

- (a) the bidder’s success in implementing an affirmative action plan;
- (b) the bidder’s success in developing an apprenticeship program complying with [Sections 46a-68-1 to 46a-68-17](#) of the Administrative Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, inclusive;
- (c) the bidder’s promise to develop and implement a successful affirmative action plan;
- (d) the bidder’s submission of employment statistics contained in the “Employment Information Form”, indicating that the composition of its workforce is at or near parity when compared to the racial and sexual composition of the workforce in the relevant labor market area; and
- (e) the bidder’s promise to set aside a portion of the contract for legitimate minority business enterprises. [See Section 46a-68j-30\(10\)\(E\)](#) of the Contract Compliance Regulations.

**INSTRUCTIONS AND OTHER INFORMATION**

The following [BIDDER CONTRACT COMPLIANCE MONITORING REPORT](#) must be completed in full, signed, and submitted with the bid for this contract. The contract awarding agency and the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities will use the information contained thereon to determine the bidders compliance to [Sections 4a-60](#) and [4a-60a](#) CONN. GEN. STAT., and [Sections 46a-68j-23](#) of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies regarding equal employment opportunity, and the bidder’s good faith efforts to include minority business enterprises as subcontractors and suppliers for the work of the contract.

**1) Definition of Small Contractor**

[Section 4a-60g](#) CONN. GEN. STAT. defines a small contractor as a company that has been doing business under the same management and control and has maintained its principal place of business in Connecticut for a one year period immediately prior to its application for certification under this section, had gross revenues not exceeding fifteen million dollars in the most recently

completed fiscal year, and at least fifty-one percent of the ownership of which is held by a person or persons who are active in the daily affairs of the company, and have the power to direct the management and policies of the company, except that a nonprofit corporation shall be construed to be a small contractor if such nonprofit corporation meets the requirements of subparagraphs (A) and (B) of subdivision [4a-60g](#) CONN. GEN. STAT.

## 2) Description of Job Categories (as used in Bidder Employment Information) (Page 23)

**MANAGEMENT:** Managers plan, organize, direct, and control the major functions of an organization through subordinates who are at the managerial or supervisory level. They make policy decisions and set objectives for the company or departments. They are not usually directly involved in production or providing services. Examples include top executives, public relations managers, managers of operations specialties (such as financial, human resources, or purchasing managers), and construction and engineering managers.

**BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL OPERATIONS:** These occupations include managers and professionals who work with the financial aspects of the business. These occupations include accountants and auditors, purchasing agents, management analysts, labor relations specialists, and budget, credit, and financial analysts.

**MARKETING AND SALES:** Occupations related to the act or process of buying and selling products and/or services such as sales engineer, retail sales workers and sales representatives including wholesale.

**LEGAL OCCUPATIONS:** In-House Counsel who is charged with providing legal advice and services in regards to legal issues that may arise during the course of standard business practices. This category also includes assistive legal occupations such as paralegals, legal assistants. **COMPUTER SPECIALISTS:**

Professionals responsible for the computer operations within a company are grouped in this category. Examples of job titles in this category include computer programmers, software engineers, database administrators, computer scientists, systems analysts, and computer support specialists

**ARCHITECTURE AND ENGINEERING:** Occupations related to architecture, surveying, engineering, and drafting are included in this category. Some of the job titles in this category include electrical and electronic engineers, surveyors, architects, drafters, mechanical engineers, materials engineers, mapping technicians, and civil engineers.

**OFFICE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT:** All clerical-type work is included in this category. These jobs involve the preparing, transcribing, and preserving of written communications and records; collecting accounts; gathering and distributing information; operating office machines and electronic data processing equipment; and distributing mail. Job titles listed in this category include telephone operators, bill and account collectors, customer service representatives, dispatchers, secretaries and administrative assistants, computer operators and clerks

**BUILDING AND GROUNDS CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE:** This category includes occupations involving landscaping, housekeeping, and janitorial services. Job titles found in this category include supervisors of landscaping or housekeeping, janitors, maids, grounds maintenance workers, and pest control workers.

**CONSTRUCTION AND EXTRACTION:** This category includes construction trades and related occupations. Job titles found in this category include boilermakers, masons (all types), carpenters, construction laborers, electricians, plumbers (and related trades), roofers, sheet metal workers, elevator installers, hazardous materials removal workers, paperhangers, and painters. Paving, surfacing, and tamping equipment

operators; drywall and ceiling tile installers; and carpet, floor and tile installers and finishers are also included in this category. First line supervisors, foremen, and helpers in these trades are also grouped in this category.

**INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR:** Occupations involving the installation, maintenance, and repair of equipment are included in this group. Examples of job titles found here are heating, ac, and refrigeration mechanics and installers; telecommunication line installers and repairers; heavy vehicle and mobile equipment service technicians and mechanics; small engine mechanics; security and fire alarm systems installers; electric/electronic repair, industrial, utility and transportation equipment; millwrights; riggers; and manufactured building and mobile home installers. First line supervisors, foremen, and helpers for these jobs are also included in the category.

**MATERIAL MOVING WORKERS:** The job titles included in this group are Crane and tower operators; dredge, excavating, and lading machine operators; hoist and winch operators; industrial truck and tractor operators; cleaners of vehicles and equipment; laborers and freight, stock, and material movers, hand; machine feeders and offbearers; packers and packagers, hand; pumping station operators; refuse and recyclable material collectors; and miscellaneous material moving workers.

**PRODUCTION WORKERS:** The job titles included in this category are chemical production machine setters, operators and tenders; crushing/grinding workers; cutting workers; inspectors, testers sorters, samplers, weighers;

(such as payroll, shipping, stock, mail and file).	precious stone/metal workers; painting workers; cementing/gluing machine operators and tenders; etchers/engravers; molders, shapers and casters except for metal and plastic; and production workers.
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3) Definition of Racial and Ethnic Terms (as used in Bidder Employment Information) (Page 23)

<p><u>White</u> (not of Hispanic Origin)-All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East.</p> <p><u>Black</u> (not of Hispanic Origin)-All persons having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.</p> <p><u>Hispanic</u>- All persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.</p>	<p><u>Asian or Pacific Islander</u>- All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian subcontinent, or the Pacific Islands. This area includes China, India, Japan, Korea, the Philippine Islands, and Samoa.</p> <p><u>American Indian or Alaskan Native</u>- All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintain cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.</p>
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**BIDDER CONTRACT COMPLIANCE MONITORING REPORT**

PART 1 – Bidder Information

<p>Company Name: Street Address: City &amp; State: Chief Executive:</p>	<p>Bidder Federal Employer Identification Number: Or Social Security Number:</p>
<p>Major Business Activity: (brief description)</p>	<p>Bidder Identification (response optional/definitions on page 1)</p> <p>-Bidder is a small contractor? Yes   No  </p> <p>-Bidder is a minority business enterprise? Yes   No   (If yes, check ownership category)</p> <p>Black   Hispanic   Asian American   American Indian/Alaskan Native   Iberian Peninsula   Individual(s) with a Physical Disability   Female  </p> <p>-Bidder is certified as above by State of CT? Yes   No  </p>
<p>Bidder Parent Company: (If any)</p>	
<p>Other Locations in CT: (If any)</p>	

PART II - Bidder Nondiscrimination Policies and Procedures

<p>1. Does your company have a written Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity statement posted on company bulletin boards? Yes   No  </p>	<p>7. Do all of your company contracts and purchase orders contain non-discrimination statements as required by Sections 4a-60 &amp; 4a-60a Conn. Gen. Stat.? Yes No</p>
<p>2. Does your company have the state-mandated sexual harassment prevention in the workplace policy posted on company bulletin boards? Yes   No  </p>	<p>8. Do you, upon request, provide reasonable accommodation to employees, or applicants for employment, who have physical or mental disability? Yes   No  </p>

3. Do you notify all recruitment sources in writing of your company's Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity employment policy? Yes   No	9. Does your company have a mandatory retirement age for all employees? Yes   No
4. Do your company advertisements contain a written statement that you are an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer? Yes   No	10. If your company has 50 or more employees, have you provided at least two (2) hours of sexual harassment training to all of your supervisors? Yes   No   N/A
5. Do you notify the Ct. State Employment Service of all employment openings with your company? Yes   No	11. If your company has apprenticeship programs, do they meet the Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity requirements of the apprenticeship standards of the Ct. Dept. of Labor? Yes   No   N/A
6. Does your company have a collective bargaining agreement with workers? Yes   No   6a. If yes, do the collective bargaining agreements contain non-discrimination clauses covering all workers? Yes   No   6b. Have you notified each union in writing of your commitments under the nondiscrimination requirements of contracts with the state of CT? Yes   No	12. Does your company have a written affirmative action Plan? Yes   No   If no, please explain.  13. Is there a person in your company who is responsible for equal employment opportunity? Yes   No   If yes, give name and phone number:

**Part III - Bidder Subcontracting Practices (Page 4)**

1. Will the work of this contract include subcontractors or suppliers? Yes   No   1a. If yes, please list all subcontractors and suppliers and report if they are a small contractor and/or a minority business enterprise. (defined on page 1 / use additional sheet if necessary)
1b. Will work of this contract require additional subcontractors or suppliers other than those identified in 1a. above? Yes   No

**PART IV - Bidder Employment Information**

Date:

JOB CATEGORY *	OVER ALL TOTAL S	WHITE (not of Hispanic origin)		BLACK (not of Hispanic origin)		HISPANIC		ASIAN or PACIFIC ISLANDER		AMERICAN INDIAN or ALASKAN NATIVE	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
Management											
Business & Financial Ops											
Marketing & Sales											
Legal Occupations											
Computer Specialists											
Architecture/Engineering											

Office & Admin Support												
Bldg/ Grounds Cleaning/Maintenance												
Construction & Extraction												
Installation , Maintenance & Repair												
Material Moving Workers												
Production Occupations												
TOTALS ABOVE												
Total One Year Ago												

FORMAL ON THE JOB TRAINEES (ENTER FIGURES FOR THE SAME CATEGORIES AS ARE SHOWN ABOVE)

Apprentices												
Trainees												

\*NOTE: JOB CATEGORIES CAN BE CHANGED OR ADDED TO (EX. SALES CAN BE ADDED OR REPLACE A CATEGORY NOT USED IN YOUR COMPANY)

**PART V - Bidder Hiring and Recruitment Practices (Page 5)**

1. Which of the following recruitment sources are used by you? (Check yes or no, and report percent used)				2. Check (X) any of the below listed requirements that you use as a hiring qualification (X)		3. Describe below any other practices or actions that you take which show that you hire, train, and promote employees without discrimination
SOURCE	YES	N O	% of applicants provided by source			
State Employment Service					Work Experience	
Private Employment Agencies					Ability to Speak or Write English	
Schools and Colleges					Written Tests	
Newspaper Advertisement					High School Diploma	
Walk Ins					College Degree	
Present Employees					Union Membership	
Labor Organizations					Personal Recommendation	
Minority/Community Organizations					Height or Weight	
Others (please identify)					Car Ownership	
					Arrest Record	
					Wage Garnishments	

Certification (Read this form and check your statements on it CAREFULLY before signing). I certify that the statements made by me on this BIDDER CONTRACT COMPLIANCE MONITORING REPORT are complete and true to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith. I understand that if I knowingly make any misstatements of facts, I am subject to be declared in non-compliance with Section 4a-60, 4a-60a, and related sections of the CONN. GEN. STAT.

(Signature)	(Title)	(Date Signed)	(Telephone)
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# REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR EDUCATIONAL FACILITY ASSESSMENTS, DEMOGRAPHIC STUDY & MASTER PLANNING

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

### 1. Scope and Goals of the Educational Facility Assessments, Demographic Studies and Master Plan

Regional School District 17 (the “District”) is requesting proposals from qualified Educational consultants and Architectural/Engineering firms for Educational Facility Assessments, a Demographic Study, and a Board of Education Master Plan (the “Plan”). The District will employ a consulting firm (or a team of firms, led by a prime firm) to **simultaneously** evaluate the physical condition of all existing school facilities, investigate and assess viability of alternate land/buildings (to be provided) and perform a Demographic Study projecting out at least 20 years in order to develop and prioritize options, prepare final documents, and present recommendations to the District.

The Plan will guide the District with research-based knowledge of best models to incorporate the District’s mission and educational vision, as well as national educational standards, and provide a framework for implementation.

The vision and desired outcomes for this Plan include at least the following goals:

- A comprehensive holistic plan that takes into accounts all of schools;
- Study of the school buildings’ structural integrity, infrastructure and ability to meet District’s needs;
- A District-wide projected enrollment assessment (including the variable of COVID’s impact on the housing market); and
- A long-term Capital Management Plan for the future that includes considerations such as climate change on buildings and mechanical infrastructures.

It is the District’s intent that the planning process be comprehensive and lead to adoption of a District wide long-term Master Plan that will provide the model for facilities planning for a short-term (1 - 5 years), mid-range (5 - 10 years), and long-range (10 - 20 years). The short, median and long-term actions shall be presented in tiered good, better, best solutions. The Plan will take into account current facility deficiencies, capacity, as well as demographics.

The process shall include a review of functional deficiencies and condition issues in existing facilities, educational suitability issues, technology readiness issues, special program needs, demographic trends, and capacity issues. All of the District’s sites will be included in the evaluation and planning, although needs and levels of planning effort will vary from site to site. Additionally, other sites either owned by the District or privately held buildings, but not operated by the District, will be included in the evaluation and planning (Guidance will be provided by the District).

## 2. Plan Content

The Plan should, at a minimum, include the following:

- An inventory of the condition of the District's existing school buildings.
- Development trends - what types of residents are living in and moving to Hadam or Killingworth including short, median and long-term projections of school age children over the next 20 years and as importantly what areas in the District exhibit the largest growth in school age children.
- Develop a desirable development scenario, based on the school facility needs assessment and demographic trends with input from the District, the public and other stakeholders.
- Develop a Draft Master Plan.
- Final Master Plan.

## 3. Governance of Project

- Consultant is responsible for gathering data and technical analysis above and beyond available existing data and reports provided by the District
- Governance consists of representatives from the Board of Education, BoE Facilities Subcommittee, District Departments including Operations, Facilities and Maintenance, Building Administration, and District Administration.

## 4. Project Timeline (Tentative Subject to Change)

- February XX, 2021: Finalize scope with Facilities Subcommittee, write RFP.
- February XX, 2021: RFP Distributed
- February XX, 2021: Pre-Proposal Meeting [Non-mandatory. Attendance is strongly encouraged].

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DISTRICT WILL HOST A PRE-PROPOSAL MEETING [HIGHLY RECOMMENDED BUT NOT MANDATORY] VIA GOOGLE MEET ( [Insert Link here](#)) ON FEBRUARY XX, 2021, AT 10:00AM**

- February XX, 2021: Deadline for Submission of Inquires
- February XX, 2021: District Responses to Inquiries
- February XX, 2021: RFP Responses due.
- March XX, 2021: Consultant Selection Committee - select finalists for presentations.
- March XX, 2021: Target Date for Consultant Presentations.
- March XX, 2021: Conditional Award Letter issued.
- March XX, 2021: Facilities Subcommittee approval of contract.

Attendance at District Board Meetings may be necessary

- April XX, 2021: Board of Education approval of contract  
Attendance at District Board Meetings may be necessary
- April XX, 2021: Project Kick-off meeting with Steering Committee and Selected Consultant [earlier if contract is fully executed].
- July 1, 2021: Draft Master Plan.
- August 1, 2021: Final Master Plan adopted by the Board of Education.

## 5. Background

### a. District Overview

The District is located in Middlesex County and comprises Haddam and Killingworth..

The District provides educational services to approximately 2,000 students and employs over 400 personnel within the following buildings:

- Two (2) Grade K-3 elementary schools
- One (1) Grade 4-5 intermediate school
- One (1) Grade 6-8 middle school
  - (intermediate and middle schools are located in one building)
- One (1) Grades 9-12 high school
  - Includes bus garage, barn and house currently used by Parks and Rec and Youth and Families
- One (1) Central Office
- One (1) Preschool physically located in one of the elementary schools

## 6. Component #1: Facilities Assessment

The Facilities Assessment will be conducted on the buildings listed below in compliance with Facility Assessment Standards established by the CT DAS and will conform to the latest safety and building codes.

<b>BUILDINGS – DISTRICT OPERATED SCHOOLS</b>
Burr Elementary School - 792 Killingworth Road, Higganum, CT 06441
Killingworth Elementary School - 340 Route 81, Killingworth, CT 06419
Haddam Killingworth Intermediate-Middle School - 451 Route 81, Killingworth, CT 06419
Haddam Killingworth High School - 95 Little City Road, Higganum, CT 06441
Regional School District 17 Central Office - 57 Little City Road, Higganum, CT 06441

The Firm will be expected to analyze available data as well as independently confirm via onsite assessment functional issues with the existing facilities, infrastructure, and exterior spaces. The District will provide information on current conditions at the various sites to the extent feasible.

The District will provide any past studies, assessment reports, etc., as well past and current construction project documents, bids, etc., to the extent possible. Assume increased pressure on life span of all inventory as a result of climate change.

In order to understand the characteristics of each property beyond what is recorded in existing plans and/or as-built documents, or other materials, the Firm will interview knowledgeable District staff, District Maintenance staff, Building Administration, Custodial staff and Teachers at a minimum, in order to benefit from their input and perspective. These interviews will be facility-specific and are to be reflected in the final reports.

The Firm will provide the completed Facilities Assessment Excel workbooks and a final narrative by facility. A District-wide summary identifying trends, similarities between buildings, etc., shall also be provided. Mechanical equipment shall be inventoried and assessed utilizing ASHRAE life cycle analysis.

### **a. Building System Inventory**

The types of building systems to be assessed may vary with each building and shall include, but are not limited to the following:

- Foundation.
- Basement.
- Roofing: construction, coverings, openings.
- Floor construction.
- Exterior enclosure: exterior walls, windows, doors.
- Interior construction: partitions, interior doors, fittings.
- Stair construction and finishes.
- Interior finishes: wall, floor, ceiling finishes.
- Plumbing: fixtures, domestic water distribution, sanitary waste, rain water damage.
- HVAC: energy supply, heat/cooling generating systems, distribution systems, terminal and package units, controls, automation, and instrumentation, systems testing and balancing.
- Fire protection: sprinklers, standpipes, fire protection specialties.
- Electrical: electrical service and distribution, site lighting and branch wiring, site communications and security.
- Equipment: commercial, institutional.
- Furnishings: fixed and movable.
- Site improvements: roadways, parking lots, pedestrian paving, site development, landscaping.
- Mechanical utilities: water supply, sanitary sewer, storm sewer, heating/cooling distribution.
- Fuel distribution.
- Renovations, additions, and portable classrooms.
- Technology.
- Harmful substances and/or environmental contaminants.
- Indoor air quality.
- Playgrounds.
- American Disability Act (ADA) compliance.

- School safety and security
- Other components and items

## **b. Investment in Current Facilities**

The Firm will assess the maintenance costs versus the estimated replacement value to the best extent possible to help assess future investment in structures versus build as new on site or elsewhere.

## **7. Component #2: Demographic, Capacity, Equity, and Utilization Analysis**

Working with District staff, incorporate existing demographic analysis and enrollment projections to identify and project student populations by attendance area, school, and grade level in order to define future facility needs.

The analysis should include a review of demographic trends, District and county building or growth plans, and district-grade span analysis.

Assess the District and enrollment projections for the current attendance areas for five (5), ten (10) and twenty (20) year periods. Review these findings and recommend school site sizes to accommodate the projections.

The analysis shall include a review of the space inventory of each assessed facility, previously conducted studies, and the number of students served in each type of space. The analysis shall also include evaluation of space utilization at all school facilities and associated short-term and long-term recommendations for improved use of space within or among school facilities. The analysis shall also include a building-level and district-level capacity study.

A facilities equity study shall be conducted. It shall analyze and compare teaching and support spaces between the school sites. These findings will be compared with the educational specifications to determine the need for changes or additions in facilities and spaces necessary to accommodate the instructional program.

## **8. Component #3: Master Plan Requirements**

Based on information obtained from Component 1 and 2, the Firm shall develop a long term master plan for the District. The Master Plan shall at the minimum meet the following:

- Provide facilities that meet demographic, equity, capacity, and utilization projections by school age group for ten years at a minimum and based on demonstrated District stakeholder input from:
  - Administrator meetings.
  - Staff meetings.
  - Community meetings as necessary.
- Demonstrate collaboration with local government planning agencies (city, state, etc.) resulting in the following as required:
  - Identification of suitable school sites if needed
  - Site acquisition schedules and programs
- Demonstrate evidence of community involvement in long term master plan development as well as facility needs
- Identification of historically significant buildings/sections
- Analysis of District's current facilities' ability to meet District projected needs ▪ Identify investment needed to current facilities to meet District projected needs ▪ Identify potential

alternatives to new construction or major renovation of current facilities to meet District projected needs

In developing the Master Plan, the Firm shall incorporate the following as a minimum:

- **Community Engagement:** Community input and engagement is an important component in any successful Master Plan. The Firm shall work with District staff to engage District stakeholders. Community meetings will be held at times and locations appropriate for community-wide participation and will include initial data gathering sessions as well as sessions to review the proposed Master Plan at the end of the planning process.
- **Cost Estimates:** The Master Plan must incorporate cost estimates for recommended repairs, replacements, additions, etc., to current facilities to meet project District needs. Cost estimating shall be specific to Haddam and Killingworth, Connecticut locale.

## **9. District Resources, Project Milestones, and Consultant Deliverables a.**

### **District Resources**

The District anticipates awarding a contract as a result of this RFP. The contract term will be up to, but not greater than six (6) months, unless an extension is agreed to by both parties.

The Firm will be expected to analyze available data as well as independently confirm via onsite assessment functional issues with the existing facilities, infrastructure, and exterior spaces. The District will provide information on current conditions at the various sites to the extent feasible.

The District will provide any past studies, assessment reports, etc. as well past and current construction project documents, bids, etc. to the extent possible.

In order to understand the characteristics of each property beyond what is recorded in existing plans, documents, or other materials, the Firm will interview knowledgeable District staff, District Engineering staff, Building Administration, Custodial staff and Teachers and Land Use Bureau staff at a minimum, in order to benefit from their input and perspective. These interviews will be facility-specific and are to be reflected in the final reports.

The Firm will provide the completed Facilities Assessment Excel workbooks and a final narrative by facility. A District-wide summary identifying trends, similarities between buildings, etc., shall also be provided.

### **b. Project Milestones and Consultant Deliverables**

The following will be further developed and approved with District staff and Steering Committee input and direction, and produced at relevant project milestones. The proposer shall establish a project specific website for the purpose of civic engagement, data reporting, stakeholder feedback, etc.

#### **1. Facility Assessment Report**

- **Completion Timeframe:** Two (2) to three (3) months from Agreement Execution.
- A narrative report that includes an executive summary, analysis, evaluation, calculations, photos, diagrams, etc., together with all necessary appendices. The report needs to include a breakdown of costs for all deficiencies.

- Provide ten (10) printed copies of the narrative report, in addition to a digital file (Assessment reports shall be in excel files and provided to the District for continual updating moving forward).

## 2. Demographic Study:

- Completion Timeframe: Two (2) to three (3) months from Agreement Execution.
- A narrative report that includes an executive summary, analysis, evaluation, calculations, photos, diagrams, etc., together with all necessary appendices.
- Provide ten (10) printed copies of the narrative report, in addition to a digital file (Assessment reports shall be in excel files and provided to the District for continual updating moving forward).

## 3. Master Plan

- Completion Timeframe: Draft Master Plan: Six (6) months from Agreement Execution
- Coordinate the efforts to develop the Master Plan, including community involvement.
- Final report that will address needs identified in the Facilities Assessment and Demographic Study.
- Draft Master Plan submitted for review, comment and revision after public comment to the Board of Education.
- Final Master Plan for addressing these issues as well as the District’s foreseeable future needs and prioritizes creative solutions in a good, better, best tiered format.
- Availability to present the Master Plan to the Board of Education and other stakeholders.
- This task includes preparing a final digital Facilities Master Plan (in Adobe .pdf format) that can be uploaded to the School District’s website and can be easily accessed by the School District’s constituents.
- Final Master Plan: The Consultant will be required to facilitate and ensure adoption of the Final Master Plan, which is anticipated to be completed between six (6) months from start.

## 10. PROPOSAL FEES, EVALUATION AND AWARD

### a. Budget

The District is expecting proposals that are creative, address the District’s needs, and have a successful track record of completion of similar studies on-time and within budget as agreed upon.

- **Facility Assessment:** Proposers are asked to provide a lump sum cost for the Facility Assessment.
- **Demographic Study:** Proposers are asked to provide a lump sum cost for the Demographic Study.
- **Master Plan:** Proposers are asked to provide a lump sum cost for the Master Plan, broken down by elements.

In addition to submitting as required, proposers shall provide three (3) printed copies of their RFP response. **YOUR PROPOSAL MUST BE SUBMITTED BEFORE THE DUE DATE / TIME TO BE CONSIDERED.** The hard copies should be received at the address below:

Regional School District 17  
Attn: John Mercier, Director of Operations  
RFP # XXX  
57 Little City Road  
Higganum, CT 06441

**b. References**

Proposers shall provide references of similar projects. References shall include direct contact information including name, phone numbers, and email addresses for the responsible individuals proposers worked with.

**c. Evaluation Criteria and Scoring Process**

The Facilities Subcommittee shall review all documents submitted. It may also, at its discretion, conduct in person interviews with the Proposers submitting the highest scoring proposal(s). The District also reserves the right to select from proposals alone. The Board of Education will make the final decision regarding the selection of the firm.

The following scoring will be used to evaluate the proposal(s):

1. Relevant experience with school facility projects.
2. Experience with facility planning, communications and campaign facilitation services.
3. Creative Approach
4. Experience and expertise of key staff.



## **Regional School District 17**

### **INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS Educational Facility Assessments, Demographic Studies, and Long Term Master Planning**

The Consultant will be required to submit certificates of insurance, which contain the minimum insurance coverages described below:

1. Standard workers' compensation, which complies with all Connecticut workers' compensation statutes and regulations.
2. Employer's liability insurance, which contains limits of liability of not less than \$500,000 each accident, \$500,000 disease policy limit and \$500,000 disease – each employee.
3. Commercial general liability insurance, with a minimum limit of liability of \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence for bodily injury and property damage. Such coverage shall include the following:
  - (a) Products liability and completed operations, which shall be maintained for a period of not less than three (3) years following completion of the services under this Agreement or termination of the Agreement, whichever is later.
  - (b) Contractual liability insurance, which insures any indemnities contained in the Agreement between the Consultant and the District;
  - (c) Broad form property damage coverage and operations liability;
  - (d) Personal injury and advertising liability;
  - (e) District and its employees, agents and officers designated as additional insureds;
  - (f) Policy shall be underwritten on an occurrence basis.
4. Commercial automobile liability insurance, which contains minimum limits of liability of \$1,000,000 per accident, and contains, at a minimum, the following coverage provisions:
  - (a) Coverage for all owned, non-owned and hired vehicles;
  - (b) District and its employees, agents and officers designated as additional insureds.
5. Professional liability insurance, which covers the services to be provided pursuant to the Agreement between the District and the Consultant. The minimum limit of liability shall be \$1,000,000 per claim or per incident and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate.
6. If any insurance is underwritten on claims made, as opposed to an occurrence basis, the retroactive date in the policy shall be the earlier of the effective date of the Agreement between the Consultant and the District or the date the Consultant commences its services for the District. The policy shall also contain an extended

reporting date of not less than three years following termination of the Agreement between the Consultant and the District or conclusion of the services rendered by the Consultant, whichever is later.

7. All insurance required hereunder shall contain waivers of subrogation in favor of the District and its employees, agents and officers. The Consultant shall waive any right of claim, loss or damage against the District and its employees, agents and officers.
8. All insurance policies required under this Agreement shall contain thirty (30) days prior written notice to the District's Director of Fiscal Operations in the event of cancellation, termination or material change to any policy terms or conditions required hereunder.
9. The insurance required hereunder shall in no way serve to limit or reduce the liability of the Consultant under this Agreement.
10. The Consultant shall provide the Director of Fiscal Operations with certificates of insurance, which evidence the insurance required hereunder. The Consultant shall provide the Director of Fiscal Operations with renewal certificates of insurance within 15 days prior to the expiration of the policies. Consultant's failure to review said certificates of insurance or insurance policies shall not be deemed to be a waiver of the Consultant's obligations to comply with all provisions of these insurance requirements hereunder.