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Department of Procurement and Property Management
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Richmond, Virginia 23220

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ADDENDUM NO. 1

Request for Proposals No.: 21-6997-11 District Wide Internet Access

Dated: December 17, 2021

Closing Date: February 9, 2022, 6:00 p.m. (Unchanged)

Relative: Q&A

This Addendum No. 1 is to provide the following changes/additions to the solicitation:

The attached document, titled 21-6997-11 WAN Question_Answer, dated January 11, 2022, is hereby incorporated in to the solicitation in its entirety.

Please take due notice hereof and be governed accordingly in submitting a response. Failure to acknowledge addenda may result in your proposal being non-responsive.

RICHMOND PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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21-6997-11 District Wide Internet Access
Questions & Answers
January 11, 2022

1. What are the addresses of the Sub Hubs/aggregation sites?
 - Please refer to Attachment G which identifies the sub hub/aggregation sites using a green highlight.
2. What is the required level of diversity and failover protection at the Sub Hubs, Hubs and Schools/Admin Offices as it relates to: paths, building entrances and equipment?
 - The district is not predisposed to a specific network design but encourages vendors to submit cost effective solutions that meet the desired and required elements in the RFP.
3. Is there a preferred method of construction on school property, e.g.: micro trenching, boring?
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4. Will RPS be submitting Form 470 for month-to-month service for the contracts that expire during the RFP period?
 - The district may decide to issue an additional Form 470.
5. Is there available conduit from the street to the school that can be used at any of the locations?
 - There may be some useable conduit, but vendors should assume there is no useable conduit at each location. If the winning vendor can leverage some existing conduit the district expects corresponding reductions in costs.
6. On page 45 of the RFP it reads that the submittals are due on February 4; however, on pages two and nine it reads that they are due on February 9.
 - The due date is February 9, 2022.
7. On Attachment G row 80 it reads that two sites are not part of the procurement, however, the two sites show up on Appendix A. Leaving those two sites out would mean that there are 59 sites vs. 61.

- The two sites, Richmond Tech South and Blackwell Annex, are eligible RPS locations, but they are already connected to another facility via district owned fiber. Therefore, they will not require their own WAN circuit. Vendors should provide pricing for 59 entities listed on Attachment G.

8. On page 6, 3.b., under the second check mark, it reads that the network must be capable of, “Accommodating possible link speeds of 10Gbps to 100 Gbps in various increments, detailed in the pricing sheet, between any sub-hub to the Primary Data Center and from the Primary Data Center to the Disaster Recovery RPS Data centers”. What are the addresses of the Disaster Recovery RPS Data Centers and are they pictured on Appendix B - Table 2 - Diagram, or listed in Appendix A?

- The district has a main and a secondary data center as detailed in Attachment G. The language under II.3.b has been changed from:

“Accommodating possible link speeds of 10Gbps to 100 Gbps in various increments, detailed in the pricing sheet, between any sub-hub to the Primary Data Center and from the Primary Data Center to the Disaster Recovery RPS Data centers.”

to

“Accommodating possible link speeds of 10Gbps to 100 Gbps in various increments, detailed in the pricing sheet, between any sub-hub to the Primary Data Center and from the Primary Data Center to the **Secondary RPS Data center**”.

Location Type	Name	Address	City	Zip Code
Main Data Center	RICHMOND TECH CENTER NORTH	2015 SEDDON WAY	RICHMOND	23230
Secondary Data Center/DR Site	HENDERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL	4319 OLD BROOK RD	RICHMOND	23227
Subhub/Aggregation Site	Henry L. Marsh III Elementary	813 North 28th Street	RICHMOND	23223
Subhub/Aggregation Site	Belt Blvd Transportation Building	3501 Belt Boulevard	RICHMOND	23234
Subhub/Aggregation Site	BLACKWELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1600 EVERETT ST	RICHMOND	23224
Subhub/Aggregation Site	GEORGE W. CARVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	1110 W LEIGH ST	RICHMOND	23220

9. On page 15, f.3 it reads, “The Committed information rate provided by the Service Provider must meet or exceed the specified minimum requirements for each building as specified in Appendix A”. Appendix A does not appear to show a committed information rate.

- Vendors should offer pricing for each location for each speed increment identified in Attachment G.

10. The sub-hub’s and disaster recovery (DR) sites are not identified in the RFP. I checked the location list on Appendix A – Site Locations and it does not provide clear information of which of these sites are the sub-hub’s. We need the physical address of these sites.. Also – could you please identify the physical address for the disaster recovery site.

None of these are identified on appendix B either.

- The district believes these sites were clearly identified in Attachment G, but for clarity purposes the main data center, secondary data center/DR site, and subhub/aggregation sites have been identified in the table below.

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