

Addendum #3

Contract Monitoring for Integrated Facilities Management Contract with Two Option Years (FY25 & FY26)

Issue Date: Wednesday, November 22, 2023

Bids Due: Monday, November 27, 2023 at 1:00PM

1. On Page 2 of the RFP, under Notice to Vendors, General Terms, Item 1, the following statement is made: "Providence Public Schools reserves the right to award the contract on the basis of the lowest responsible evaluated bid proposal." On Page 15, under IX Evaluation of Proposals, the following statement is made: "The award will then be made to the lowest cost, technically acceptable proposal(s)". In the event, the lowest cost proposal has a lower Technical Proposal Category Total Score than a higher cost proposal, what criteria will be used by Providence Public Schools to determine its award. For example, are all proposals with a Technical Proposal Category Total Score of 75 or more considered equal? Please clarify.

PPSD will award to a technically approved low cost proposal deemed to be in its best interest and sole discretion.

2. On Page 12 of the RFP, under III. Required Qualifications, the following statement is made: "The consultant may not be affiliated in any way with ABM Industries. Absolute integrity as an independent third-party consultant is mandatory." The required nature of "independent third-party" consultancy is not clear. For example, are Facilities Service Provider organizations considered "independent third party" consultants, especially if they are in direct competition with the current Service Provider? Please clarify the requirements of Providence Public Schools.

PPSD requires a non-affiliated, independent, third party consultant, meaning an entity that is not an affiliate of, or related by common ownership or affiliated by corporate control with, the financial institution, but does not include a joint employee of such institution.

3. List of Service Level Agreements (SLAs)?

Service level is APPA 2, please see specification page.

4. The solicitation requires the proposer to describe the approach to be taken, while no KPI, Industry Quality Outcome Levels or corresponding staff levels of performance are noted. The tools of quality performance need to focus on the desired indicators and bidding without the pre-knowledge would open the door for underestimating the specification.

The ABM contract is performance based and requires that each facility maintains an APPA II standard and that all custodial/maintenance and grounds are held to. Please reference addendum #2- PPSD Facilities Services Specification for Monitoring

5. The consultant providing the monitoring process needs the exact same specifications that led to award to the ABM firm. If those specifications are not clearly or exactly stated in both the Service Provider Bid and the monitor firm proposal, the process will end up comparing apples to oranges. Zack/Charlie?

Please reference addendum #2- PPSD Facilities Services Specification for Monitoring