

	<b>Dorchester School District 2</b>  <b>Fixed Price Bid (FPB)</b>	Solicitation Number:	2526-004
		Date:	March 6, 2026
		Procurement Official:	Ashley Cash, CPPB
		Phone:	(843) 695-5398
		E-Mail Address:	ascash@dorchester2.k12.sc.us

DESCRIPTION: Asphalt and Pavement Services

*The Term "Offer" Means Your "Bid" or "Proposal".*

SUBMIT OFFER BY: **March 31, 2026 by 11:00 AM**

See "Deadline for Submission of Offer" provision

QUESTIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY: **March 18, 2026 by 5:00 PM**

See "Questions from Offerors" provision

NUMBER OF COPIES TO BE SUBMITTED: **One (1) paper original.**

**Offers must be submitted in a sealed package. Solicitation Number & Opening Date must appear on package exterior.**

SUBMIT A SEALED OFFER TO:

Dorchester School District Two  
815 South Main Street  
Summerville, SC 29483  
Attention: Ashley Cash, CPPB  
FPB# 2526-004

See "Submitting Your Offer" provision

<b>CONFERENCE TYPE:</b>  <b>DATE &amp; TIME:</b>  <b>As appropriate, see "Conferences - Pre-Bid/Proposal" &amp; "Site Visit" provisions</b>	<b>LOCATION:</b>
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<b>AWARD &amp; AMENDMENTS</b>	Award will be posted at the Physical Address stated above on <b>April 14, 2026.</b> This solicitation, and any amendments will be posted at the following web address: <b>Solicitations, Amendments, &amp; Award Notices: <a href="#">Solicitation &amp; Awards</a></b> It is the responsibility of the offeror to check this website for amendments
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You must submit a signed copy of this form with your offer. By submitting a bid or proposal, you agree to be bound by the terms of the solicitation. You agree to hold your offer open for a minimum of sixty (60) calendar days after the opening date.	
<b>NAME OF OFFEROR</b> <small>(Full legal name of business submitting the offer)</small>	<b>OFFEROR'S TYPE OF ENTITY:</b> <small>(Check one)</small> <input type="checkbox"/> Small (15 employees of less) <input type="checkbox"/> Women <input type="checkbox"/> Minority <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <small>(See "Signing Your Offer" provision.)</small>
<b>AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE</b>  <small>(Person signing must be authorized to submit binding offer to enter contract on behalf of Offeror named above.)</small>	
<b>TITLE</b> <small>(Business title of person signing above)</small>	
<b>PRINTED NAME</b> <small>(Printed name of person signing above)</small>	
<b>DATE SIGNED</b>	
Instructions regarding Offeror's name: Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the offeror above. An offer may be submitted by only one legal entity. The entity named as the offeror must be a single and distinct legal entity. Do not use the name of a branch office or a division of a larger entity if the branch or division is not a separate legal entity, <i>i.e.</i> , a separate corporation, partnership, sole proprietorship, etc.	
<b>STATE OF INCORPORATION</b> <small>(If offeror is a corporation, identify the state of Incorporation.)</small>	
<b>TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NO.</b>	

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**PAGE TWO**  
**(Return Page Two with Your Offer)**

<b>HOME OFFICE ADDRESS</b> (Address for offeror's home office / principal place of business)	<b>NOTICE ADDRESS</b> (Address to which all procurement and contract related notices should be sent.) (See "Notice" clause)								
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<b>PAYMENT ADDRESS</b> (Address to which payments will be sent.)	<b>ORDER ADDRESS</b> (Address to which purchase orders will be sent)
<input type="checkbox"/> Payment Address same as Home Office Address <input type="checkbox"/> Payment Address same as Notice Address (check only one)	<input type="checkbox"/> Order Address same as Home Office Address <input type="checkbox"/> Order Address same as Notice Address (check only one)

<b>ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENTS</b>  Offerors acknowledges receipt of amendments by indicating amendment number and its date of issue.  See "Amendments to Solicitation" Provision	Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date	Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date	Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date	Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date

<b>DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT</b>	10 Calendar Days (%)	20 Calendar Days (%)	30 Calendar Days (%)	___ Calendar Days (%)
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## Solicitation Outline

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### I. SCOPE OF SOLICITATION

ACQUIRE SERVICES & SUPPLIES / EQUIPMENT (JAN 2006): The purpose of this solicitation is to acquire services and supplies or equipment complying with the enclosed description and/or specifications and conditions.

MAXIMUM CONTRACT PERIOD – ESTIMATED: April 15, 2026 – April 14, 2031. Dates provided are estimates only. Any resulting contract will begin on the date specified in the notice of award. See clause entitled “Term of Contract – Effective Date/Initial Contract Period”.

COOPERATIVE PURCHASING: Dorchester School District Two’s Procurement Code and Regulations authorize the use of cooperative purchasing with other public procurement units. The Districts listed below may, at their discretion, enter into a contract with successful bidders as part of this cooperative agreement.

Charleston County School District  
Colleton County School District

Dorchester School District Four  
Orangeburg County School District

### II. INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS

#### A. General Instructions

DEFINITIONS, CAPITALIZATION, AND HEADINGS CLAUSE HEADINGS USED IN THIS SOLICITATION ARE FOR CONVENIENCE ONLY AND SHALL NOT BE USED TO CONSTRUE MEANING OR INTENT. EVEN IF NOT CAPITALIZED, THE FOLLOWING DEFINITIONS ARE APPLICABLE TO ALL PARTS OF THE SOLICITATION, UNLESS EXPRESSLY PROVIDED OTHERWISE.

AMENDMENT means a document issued to supplement the original solicitation document.

DD2 means Dorchester School District Two

BOARD means the Dorchester County School Board or its successor in interest.

BUSINESS means any corporation, partnership, individual, sole proprietorship, joint stock company, joint venture, or any other legal entity. [11-35-310(3)]

CHANGE ORDER means any written alteration in specifications, delivery point, rate of delivery, period of performance, price, quantity, or other provisions of any contract accomplished by mutual agreement of the parties to the contract. [11-35-310(4)]

CONTRACT See clause entitled Contract Documents & Order of Precedence.

CONTRACT MODIFICATION means a written order signed by the Procurement Officer, directing the contractor to make changes which the clause of the contract titled “Changes,” if included herein, authorizes the Procurement Officer to order without the consent of the contractor. [11-35-310(9)]

CONTRACTOR means the Offeror receiving an award as a result of this solicitation.

COOPERATIVE CONTRACT a contract issued by one agency or organization, which other agencies or organizations elect to participate in order to gain economy

DEFINITIONS, CAPITALIZATION, AND HEADINGS (Continued)

COVER PAGE means the top page of the original solicitation on which the solicitation is identified by number. Offerors are cautioned that Amendments may modify information provided on the Cover Page.

DISTRICT means the Dorchester School District Two (DD2) or other cooperative partner district listed in the cooperative clause.

OFFER means the bid or proposal submitted in response to this solicitation. The terms Bid and Proposal are used interchangeably with the term Offer.

OFFEROR means the single legal entity submitting the offer. The term Bidder is used interchangeably with the term Offeror. See bidding provisions entitled Signing Your Offer and Bid/Proposal As Offer To Contract.

PAGE TWO means the second page of the original solicitation, which is labeled Page Two.

PROCUREMENT OFFICER means the person, or his successor, identified as such on either the Cover Page, an amendment, or an award notice.

YOU and YOUR means Offeror.

SOLICITATION means this document, including all its parts, attachments, and any Amendments. STATE means the Using Governmental Unit(s) identified on the Cover Page.

SUBCONTRACTOR means any person you contract with to perform or provide any part of the Work.

US or WE means the Dorchester School District Two.

WORK means all labor, materials, equipment, and services, or property of any type, provided or to be provided by the Contractor to fulfill the Contractor's obligations under the Contract. [02-2A003-2]

AMENDMENTS TO SOLICITATION (a) The Solicitation may be amended at any time prior to opening. All actual and prospective Offerors should monitor the following website for the issuance of Amendments: [Solicitation Postings](#). (b) Bidders shall acknowledge receipt of any Amendment to this solicitation (1) by signing and returning the Amendment, (2) by letter, or (3) by submitting a bid that indicates in some way that the bidder received the Amendment.

AUTHORIZED AGENT All authority regarding this procurement is vested solely with the responsible Procurement Officer. Unless specifically delegated in writing, the Procurement Officer is the only government official authorized to bind the government with regard to this procurement or the resulting contract. [02-2A007-1]

AWARD NOTIFICATION Notice regarding any award, cancellation of award, or extension of award will be posted at the location and on the date specified on the Cover Page or, if applicable, any notice of extension of award. Should the contract resulting from this Solicitation have a total or potential value of one hundred thousand dollars or more, such notice will be sent to all Offerors responding to the Solicitation and any award will not be effective until the eleventh day after such notice is given. [02-2A010-2]

**BID / PROPOSAL AS OFFER TO CONTRACT** By submitting the District a **signed Bid and/or Proposal, you are offering to enter into a contract with Dorchester School District Two and agreeing to all terms and conditions provided herein. Your bid and/or proposal as well as the terms and conditions of this solicitation will become part of any contract created as a result of this solicitation. THEREFORE, ANY OBJECTION TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS CONTAINED HEREIN MUST BE ADDRESSED WITH THE DISTRICT PRIOR TO SUBMITTAL OF YOUR BID AND/OR PROPOSAL. SUCH OBJECTIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING AS DESCRIBED HEREIN FOR ANY INQUIRIES.** Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the Offeror on the Cover Page. An Offer may be submitted by only one legal entity; "joint bids" are not allowed.

**ENTERING INTO CONTRACT** **The District shall not enter into or sign any agreement, contract or other document that conflicts in any way with the District's General Terms and Conditions and the requirements of this solicitation. Proposers should submit for review any agreement, contract or other document that the firm wishes the District to sign, with the proposal. Submittal of such agreement, contract or other document does not constitute an acceptance of any terms and/or conditions contained in such document. Agreements, contracts or other documents that infringe upon the rights of the District or are not in the best interest of the District shall be determined to be non-responsive. The rights and authority of such determination is reserved solely by the staff of the District's Procurement Department. By Submitting a solicitation response, the proposer acknowledges that it has had the opportunity to inquire about the District's Procurement Code, this solicitation and other District policy.**

BID ACCEPTANCE PERIOD (JAN 2004): In order to withdraw Your Offer after the minimum period specified on the Cover Page, You must notify the Procurement Officer in writing. [02-2A020-1].

BID IN ENGLISH & DOLLARS Offers submitted in response to this solicitation shall be in the English language and in US dollars, unless otherwise permitted by the solicitation.

BID FORMS Bid Forms are included for your use. Only these Bid Forms shall be used; no other form is acceptable. Please indicate your firm's name on the Bid Forms and have it signed by a person authorized to do so. A cover letter on your corporate stationery should include any comment and/or information you feel may be pertinent to the evaluation of your bid. The prices specified in your bid must be F.O.B. Destination with all freight charges prepaid and allowed, if applicable. On the Bid Forms, please indicate the delivery time, after receipt of an order, for the service or materials on which you have bid. No hidden or undisclosed prices will be acceptable.

BOARD AS PROCUREMENT AGENT The Procurement Officer is an employee of the Board acting on behalf of the Dorchester School District Two pursuant to the District's Consolidated Procurement Code. Any contracts awarded as a result of this procurement are between the Contractor and the Dorchester School District Two. The Board is not a party to such contracts, unless and to the extent that the board is a using governmental unit, and bears no liability for any party's losses arising out of or relating in any way to the contract. [02-2A030-2]

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION GIVING FALSE, MISLEADING, OR INCOMPLETE INFORMATION ON THIS CERTIFICATION MAY RENDER YOU SUBJECT TO PROSECUTION UNDER SECTION 16-9-10 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS. (a) By submitting an offer, the offeror certifies that- (1) The prices in this offer have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other offeror or competitor relating to— (i) Those prices; (ii) The intention to submit an offer; or (iii) The methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered. (2) The prices in this offer have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other offeror or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a negotiated solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and (3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit an offer for the purpose of restricting competition. (b) Each signature on the offer is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory- (1) Is the person in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification; or (2)(i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the offeror's principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification [As used in this subdivision (b)(2)(i), the term "principals" means the person(s) in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal]; (ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals referenced in subdivision (b)(2)(i) of this certification have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification; and (iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification. (c) If the offeror deletes or modifies paragraph (a)(2) of this certification, the offeror must furnish with its offer a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure. [02-2A032-1] Mandatory for all solicitations. [2A035-1]

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (a) (1) By submitting an Offer, Offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that-(i) Offeror and/or any of its Principals-(A) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any state or federal agency;(B) Have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, state, or local) contract or subcontract; violation of Federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and (C) Are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity with, commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(B) of this provision. (ii) Offeror has not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, had one or more contracts terminated for default by any public (Federal, state, or local) entity. (2) "Principals," for the purposes of this certification, means officers; directors; owners; partners; and, persons having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g., general manager; plant manager; head of a subsidiary, division, or business segment, and similar positions). (b) Offeror shall provide immediate written notice to the Procurement Officer if, at any time prior to contract award, Offeror learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances. (c) If Offeror is unable to certify the representations stated in paragraphs (a)(1), Offer must submit a written explanation regarding its inability to make the certification. The certification will be considered in connection with a review of the Offeror's responsibility. Failure of the Offeror to furnish additional information as requested by the Procurement Officer may render the Offeror nonresponsible. (d) Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render, in good faith, the certification required by paragraph (a) of this provision. The knowledge and information of an Offeror is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings. (e) The certification in paragraph (a) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the Offeror knowingly or in bad faith rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the District, the Procurement Officer may terminate the contract resulting from this solicitation for default. [02-2A035-1]

COMPLETION OF FORMS / CORRECTION OF ERRORS All prices and notation should be printed in ink or typewritten. Errors should be crossed out, corrections entered and initialed by the person signing the bid. Do not modify the solicitation document itself (including bid schedule).

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST OR UNFAIR COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE You warrant and represent that your offer identifies and explains any unfair competitive advantage you may have in competing for the proposed contract and any actual or potential conflicts of interest that may arise from your participation in this competition or your receipt of an award. The two underlying principles are (a) preventing the existence of conflicting roles that might bias a contractor's judgment, and (b) preventing an unfair competitive advantage. If you have an unfair competitive advantage or a conflict of interest, the District may withhold award. Before withholding award on these grounds, an offeror will be notified of the concerns and provided a reasonable opportunity to respond. Efforts to avoid or mitigate such concerns, including restrictions on future activities, may be considered. Without limiting the foregoing, you represent that your offer identifies any services that relate to either this solicitation or the work and that has already been performed by you, a proposed subcontractor, or an affiliated business of either. [02-2A047-2]

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DRUG FREE WORK PLACE CERTIFICATION By submitting an Offer, Contractor certifies that, if awarded a contract, Contractor will comply with all applicable provisions of the Drug-Free Workplace Act, Title 44, Chapter 107 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended.

DUTY TO INQUIRE Offeror, by submitting an Offer, represents that it has read and understands the Solicitation and that its Offer is made in compliance with the Solicitation. Offerors are expected to examine the Solicitation thoroughly and should request an explanation of any ambiguities, discrepancies, errors, omissions, or conflicting statements in the Solicitation. Failure to do so will be at the Offeror's risk. All ambiguities, discrepancies, errors, omissions, or conflicting statements in the Solicitation shall be interpreted to require the better quality or greater quantity of work and/or materials, unless otherwise directed by amendment. Offeror assumes responsibility for any patent ambiguity in the Solicitation that Offeror does not bring to the District's attention. See clause entitled "Questions from Offerors." [02-2A070-2]

ETHICS CERTIFICATE By submitting an offer, the offeror certifies that the offeror has and will comply with, and has not, and will not, induce a person to violate Title 8, Chapter 13 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended (ethics act). The following statutes require special attention: Section 8-13-700, regarding use of official position for financial gain; Section 8-13-705, regarding gifts to influence action of public official; Section 8-13-720, regarding offering money for advice or assistance of public official; Sections 8-13-755 and 8-13-760, regarding restrictions on employment by former public official; Section 8-13-775, prohibiting public official with economic interests from acting on contracts; Section 8-13-790, regarding recovery of kickbacks; Section 8-13-1150, regarding statements to be filed by consultants; and Section 8-13-1342, regarding restrictions on contributions by contractor to candidate who participated in awarding of contract. The District may rescind any contract and recover all amounts expended as a result of any action taken in violation of this provision. If contractor participates, directly or indirectly, in the evaluation or award of public contracts, including without limitation, change orders or task orders regarding a public contract, contractor shall, if required by law to file such a statement, provide the statement required by Section 8-13-1150 to the procurement officer at the same time the law requires the statement to be filed. [02-2A075-2]

OFFICE CLOSINGS If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal District processes so that offers cannot be received at the District's office designated for receipt of bids by the exact time specified in the solicitation, the time specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal District processes resume. In lieu of an automatic extension, an Amendment may be issued to reschedule bid opening. If District offices are closed at the time a pre-bid or pre-proposal conference is scheduled, an Amendment will be issued to reschedule the conference. Useful information may be available at: <http://scemd.org/index.php/departments/response/severe-winter-weather> [02-2A120-2]

OPEN TRADE REPRESENTATION By submitting an Offer, Offeror represents that Offeror is not currently engaged in the boycott of a person or an entity based on doing business with a jurisdiction with whom South Carolina can enjoy open trade, as defined in SC Code Section 11-35-5300. [02-2A083-1]

OMIT TAXES FROM PRICE Do not include any sales or use taxes in Your price that the District may be required to pay. [02-2A080-1]

PROHIBITED COMMUNICATIONS AND DONATIONS Violation of these restrictions may result in disqualification of your offer, suspension or debarment, and may constitute a violation of law. (a) During the period between publication of the solicitation and final award, you must not communicate, directly or indirectly, with the Using Governmental Unit or its employees, agents or officials regarding any aspect of this procurement activity, unless otherwise approved in writing by the Procurement Officer. All communications must be solely with the Procurement Officer. [R. 19-445.2010] (b) You are advised to familiarize yourself with Regulation 19-445.2165, which restricts donations to a governmental entity with whom you have or seek to have a contract. You represent that your offer discloses any gifts made, directly or through an intermediary, by you or your named subcontractors to or for the benefit of the Using Governmental Unit during the period beginning eighteen months prior to the Opening Date. [R. 19-445.2165] [02-2A087-1]

PROTESTS (MAY 2019) : If you are aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or award of the contract, you may be entitled to protest, but only as provided in Section 11-35-4210. To protest a solicitation, you must submit a protest within fifteen days of the date the applicable solicitation document is issued. To protest an award, you must (i) submit notice of your intent to protest within seven business days of the date the award notice is posted, and (ii) submit your actual protest within fifteen days of the date the award notice is posted. Days are calculated as provided in Section 11-35-310(13). Both protests and notices of intent to protest must be in writing and must be received by the appropriate Chief Business Official within the time provided. See clause entitled "Protest- Chief Financial Officer". The grounds of the protest and the relief requested must be set forth with enough particularity to give notice of the issues to be decided. The rights and remedies mentioned above are not available for contracts with an actual or potential value of up to fifty thousand dollars. [02-2A085-2]

PUBLIC OPENING (JAN 2004): Offers will be publicly opened at the date/time and at the location identified on the Cover Page, or last Amendment, whichever is applicable. [02-2A090-1]

QUESTIONS FROM OFFERORS (a) Any prospective Offeror desiring an explanation or interpretation of the solicitation, drawings, specifications, etc., must request it in writing. Questions regarding the original solicitation or any amendment must be received by the Procurement Officer no later than five (5) days prior to opening unless otherwise an earlier date is stated on the Cover Page. Label any communication regarding your questions with the name of the procurement officer, and the solicitation's title and number. Oral explanations or instructions will not be binding. [See R. 19-445.2042(B)] Any information given a prospective offeror concerning a solicitation will be furnished promptly to all other prospective offerors as an Amendment to the solicitation, if that information is necessary for submitting offers or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to other prospective offerors. See clause entitled "Duty to Inquire." We will not identify you in our answer to your question. (b) The District seeks to permit maximum practicable competition. Offerors are urged to advise the Procurement Officer -- as soon as possible -- regarding any aspect of this procurement, including any aspect of the Solicitation, that unnecessarily or inappropriately limits full and open competition. [See R. 19-445.2140] [02-2A095-2]

REJECTION/CANCELLATION The District may cancel this solicitation in whole or in part. The District may reject any or all proposals in whole or in part.

RESPONSIVENESS / IMPROPER OFFERS (a) Bid as Specified. Offers for supplies or services other than those specified will not be considered unless authorized by the Solicitation.

(b) Multiple Offers. Offerors may submit more than one Offer, provided that each Offer has significant differences other than price. Each separate Offer must satisfy all Solicitation requirements. While multiple Offers may be submitted as one document, Offeror is responsible for clearly differentiating between each separate Offer. If this solicitation is a Request for Proposals, each separate Offer must include a separate cost proposal.

(c) Responsiveness. Any Offer that fails to conform to the material requirements of the Solicitation may be rejected as non-responsive. Offers that impose conditions that modify material requirements of the Solicitation may be rejected. If a fixed price is required, an Offer will be rejected if the total possible cost to the District cannot be determined. Offerors will not be given an opportunity to correct any material nonconformity. Any deficiency resulting from a minor informality may be cured or waived at the sole discretion of the Procurement Official.

RESPONSIVENESS / IMPROPER OFFERS (Continued)

(d) Unbalanced Bidding. The District may reject an Offer as non-responsive if the prices bid are materially unbalanced between line items or sub-line items. A bid is materially unbalanced when it is based on prices significantly less than cost for some work and prices which are significantly overstated in relation to cost for other work, and if there is a reasonable doubt that the bid will result in the lowest overall cost to the District even though it may be the low evaluated bid, or if it is so unbalanced as to be tantamount to allowing an advance payment.

SIGNING YOUR OFFER Every Offer must be signed by an individual with actual authority to bind the Offeror. (a) If the Offeror is an individual, the Offer must be signed by that individual. If the Offeror is an individual doing business as a firm, the Offer must be submitted in the firm name, signed by the individual, and state that the individual is doing business as a firm. (b) If the Offeror is a partnership, the Offer must be submitted in the partnership name, followed by the words “by its Partner,” and signed by a general partner. (c) If the Offeror is a corporation, the Offer must be submitted in the corporate name, followed by the signature and title of the person authorized to sign. (d) An Offer may be submitted by a joint venture involving any combination of individuals, partnerships, or corporations. If the Offeror is a joint venture, the Offer must be submitted in the name of the joint venture and signed by every participant in the joint venture in the manner prescribed in paragraphs (a) through (c) above for each type of participant. € If an Offer is signed by an agent, other than as stated in subparagraphs (a) through (d) above, the Offer must state that it is and has been signed by an Agent. Upon request, Offeror must provide proof of the agent’s authorization to bind the principal.

SUBMITTING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION For every document Offeror submits in response to or with regard to this solicitation or request, Offeror must separately mark with the word “CONFIDENTIAL” every page, or portion thereof, that Offeror contend contains information that is exempt from public disclosure because it is either (a) a trade secret as defined in Section 30-4-40(a)(1), or (b) privileged and confidential, as that phrase is used in Section 11-35-410. For every document Offeror submits in response to or with regard to this solicitation or request, Offeror must separately mark with the words “TRADE SECRET” every page, or portion thereof, that Offeror contends contains a trade secret as that term is defined by Section 39-8-20 of the Trade Secrets Act. For every document Offeror submits in response to or with regard to this solicitation or request, Offeror must separately mark with the word “PROTECTED” every page, or portion thereof, that Offeror contends is protected by Section 11-35-1810. All markings must be conspicuous; use color, bold, underlining, or some other method in order to conspicuously distinguish the mark from the other text. Do not mark your entire response (bid, proposal, quote, etc.) as confidential, trade secret, or protected! If your response or any part thereof, is improperly marked as confidential or trade secret or protected, the District may, in its sole discretion, determine it non-responsive. If only portions of a page are subject to some protection, do not mark the entire page. By submitting a response to this solicitation or request, Offeror (1) agrees to the public disclosure of every page of every document regarding this solicitation or request that was submitted at any time prior to entering into a contract (including, but not limited to, documents contained in a response, documents submitted to clarify a response, and documents submitted during negotiations), unless the page is conspicuously marked “TRADE SECRET” or “CONFIDENTIAL” or “PROTECTED”, (2) agrees that any information not marked, as required by these bidding instructions, as a “Trade Secret” is not a trade secret as defined by the Trade Secrets Act, and (3) agrees that, notwithstanding any claims or markings otherwise, any prices, commissions, discounts, or other financial figures used to determine the award, as well as the final contract amount, are subject to public disclosure. In determining whether to release documents, the District will detrimentally rely on Offeror’s marking of documents, as required by these bidding instructions, as being either “Confidential” or “Trade Secret” or “PROTECTED”. By submitting a response, Offeror agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the District, its Officials and employees, from every claim, demand, loss, expense, cost, damage or injury, including attorney’s fees, arising out of or resulting from the District withholding information that Offeror marked as “confidential” or “trade secret” or “PROTECTED”. (All references to S.C. Code of Laws.)

SUBMITTING YOUR OFFER OR MODIFICATION (a) Offers and offer modifications shall be submitted in sealed envelopes or packages (unless submitted by approved electronic means) – (1) Addressed to the office specified in the Solicitation; and (2) Showing the time and date specified for opening, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the bidder. (b) Each Offeror must submit the number of copies indicated on the Cover Page. (c) Offerors using commercial carrier services shall ensure that the Offer is addressed and marked on the outermost envelope or wrapper as prescribed in paragraphs (a)(1) and (2) of this provision when delivered to the office specified in the Solicitation. (d) Facsimile Offers, modifications, or withdrawals, will not be considered unless authorized by the Solicitation. € Offers submitted by electronic commerce shall be considered only if the electronic commerce method was specifically stipulated or permitted by the solicitation.

**TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER** (a) If Offeror is owned or controlled by a common parent as defined in paragraph (b) of this provision, Offeror shall submit with its Offer the name and TIN of common parent.

(b) Definitions: "Common parent," as used in this provision, means that corporate entity that owns or controls an affiliated group of corporations that files its Federal income tax returns on a consolidated basis, and of which the offeror is a member. "Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)," as used in this provision, means the number required by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to be used by the offeror in reporting income tax and other returns. The TIN may be either a Social Security Number or an Employer Identification Number. (c) If Offeror does not have a TIN, Offeror shall indicate if either a TIN has been applied for or a TIN is not required. If a TIN is not required, indicate whether (i) Offeror is a nonresident alien, foreign corporation, or foreign partnership that does not have income effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States and does not have an office or place of business or a fiscal paying agent in the United States; (ii) Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a state or local government; (iii) Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of a foreign government; or (iv) Offeror is an agency or instrumentality of the Federal Government. [02-2A140-1]

**WITHDRAWAL OR CORRECTION OF OFFER** Offers may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before the exact time set for opening. If the solicitation authorizes facsimile offers, offers may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before the exact time set for opening. A bid may be withdrawn in person by a bidder or its authorized representative if, before the exact time set for opening, the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the bid.

**B. Special Instructions:**

**BOARD APPROVAL REQUIRED:** Any award is subject to prior approval by the DD2 Board.

**DISCUSSION WITH BIDDERS:** After opening, discussions may be conducted with apparent responsive bidders for the purpose of clarification to assure full understanding of the requirements of the invitation for bids. All bids, in the Procurement Official's sole judgment, needing clarification must be afforded that opportunity.

**SCHEDULE & ACTIVITIES:** Listed below are the planned activities/milestones/dates/times pertaining to this solicitation. All information is subject to change. Changes will be communicated to prospective Offerors via an Amendment to the solicitation as necessary.

EVENT	DATES
Issuance of Invitation to Bid	March 6, 2026
Deadline for Questions	March 18, 2026 by 5:00 PM
Issue Responses to Questions (estimate)	March 24, 2026
Bid Opening	March 31, 2026 at 11:00 AM
Issue Notice of Intent to Award	April 14, 2026

**DELIVERY / PERFORMANCE LOCATION - SPECIFIED (JAN 2006):** After award, services will be provided to District facilities throughout Dorchester County.

**UNIT PRICES REQUIRED** Unit price to be shown for each item. [02-2B170-1]

**III. SCOPE OF WORK**

**GENERAL:**

The District is currently soliciting bids from licensed contractors qualified to provide various asphalt services throughout the District for a term contract. Work performed under this contract will include parking and driveway repairs, pothole repairs, seal coating, striping, and milling and paving. Services will be requested on an as needed basis, and a no minimum guarantee exists. The maximum contract term will not exceed five (5) years. There is no dollar limit or cap associated with this contract, or the individual projects performed hereunder.

Projects will be initiated by the District on an as needed basis throughout the life of this contract. The District may request project specific proposals for each project from all awardees of this contract for comparison and assessment of the best value to the District. The District also reserves the right to make project assignments with consideration to cost, past performance, schedule, and contractor availability. Project proposals must include a break down of the pricing demonstrating its consistency with the Fixed Pricing Schedule. The District does not guarantee a minimum amount of work will be awarded under this contract.

All documents and information issued by the District pursuant to this solicitation shall be posted to **the District's Solicitation page as the only guaranteed method of distribution**. It is incumbent upon prospective bidders to access this page and download all documents directly from this source. All Addenda and date changes will be handled via this webpage and will not be distributed via email. The District's Solicitation & Awards webpage is:

<https://www.ddtwo.org/district/departments/finance/solicitations-and-awards>

In submitting a bid for this contract, prospective bidders warrant that they fully understand the District's requirements for this contract and all work executed pursuant to this contract. Any questions regarding this solicitation and any work ordered pursuant to the resulting contract should be asked, in writing, via email to:

Ashley Cash, CPPB, Procurement Officer  
[ascash@dorchester2.k12.sc.us](mailto:ascash@dorchester2.k12.sc.us)

The District will provide answers and clarifications to all inquiries received by the deadline for questions stated in the schedule above, and will also make corrections, revisions or modifications to the Solicitation Document, in writing, in the form of a written Addenda. All addenda will be posted on the District's Solicitation & Award webpage. **Verbal information provided is not binding, until it is stated in writing, in a formal Addendum.**

Bidder's shall participate in this Bid by using the forms and methods mandated in this Solicitation Document, and only those forms and methods. Bids received on any other forms, or formats, and via any other methods than those explicitly stated herein will be rejected. Electronic submission of bids is not allowed. All bids must be received on the correct forms, must contain all of the required items, and must be submitted in a sealed and labeled envelope at the location stated herein. Late, unsealed, incomplete, and non-conforming bids will be rejected.

Bids must be signed by a company employee authorized to do so. Handwriting on all forms must be legible and in ink. Numbers shall be written in figures and should be rounded to the nearest whole.

The contract is intended to provide multiple reliable, responsive, and qualified contractors to provide totally turn-key projects and services for the District. All labor, materials, supplies, and equipment are the responsibility of the contractor. The District will not provide or coordinate any supplies, tools, materials, or labor required for the performance of the work of this contract.

To the greatest extent possible, services are to be performed at times that do not interfere with student instruction or scheduled school activities.

#### INITIAL PROJECTS

Currently, DD2 anticipates completing two contracts as soon as this Bid Award is approved by our Board of Trustees:

1. Fort Dorchester High School Parking Lot Renovation-Consisting of milling, paving, and striping of the student parking side in standard asphalt and reconfiguration, milling, paving and striping of the car and bus loops and staff parking side in a combination of standard and HD asphalt.
2. Ashley Ridge High School Driveway Improvements-Consisting of reconfiguration of the turning lane and driveway (Hwy 165) for the bus loop and milling and repaving of the associated areas.

Upon issuance of the NOIA for this contract, the District will begin working with the original group of awardees to conduct a site visit for each of these projects, finalize the scope of work, and obtain an official proposal.

#### PRICING FOR FIXED PRICE BIDDING:

Pricing on the enclosed bidding schedule is to be provided on an all-inclusive basis according to the Unit of Measure (UOM) stated on the bidding schedule. The bidding schedule includes the maximum price per unit that the District will accept. If you bid in excess of this amount then your bid will be deemed non-responsive and will not be considered. Upon reviewing the maximum fixed price on the enclosed bidding schedule, please notify Ashley Cash, at [ascash@dorchester2.k12.sc.us](mailto:ascash@dorchester2.k12.sc.us) immediately, but no later than the deadline for questions, if the maximum fixed price is unreasonable in your estimation and restricts your ability to participate in this bid. The goal of utilizing this bidding method is to provide the District with multiple suppliers for this type of service.

#### PRICING INCREASES / ESCALATION

As noted on the Bidding Schedule, select line items are eligible for two types of pricing adjustments. Each eligible line item's method is noted on each line. Those items noted as "SCDOT" are eligible based on the SC Department of Transportation's index, which is updated monthly. Items noted "CPI" are eligible for update annually on April 1. See the Price Adjustment Clause on page 16 for full explanation.

#### IV. INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT

4.1 BID FORMS Bid Forms are included for your use. Only these Bid Forms shall be used; no other form is acceptable. Please indicate your firm's name on the Bid Forms and have it signed by a person authorized to do so. A cover letter on your corporate stationery should include any comment and/or information you feel may be pertinent to the evaluation of your bid. No hidden or undisclosed prices will be acceptable.

- a. BID FORMS – Complete and submit Cover Page and Page Two
- b. Attachment B – Minority Participation Affidavit
- c. Attachment C – Questionnaire
- d. Attachment D – Bidding Schedule
- e. Qualification Documentation
  - SC Contractor's License
  - Contractor's EMR Rate
  - A brief summary of the company history.
  - An organizational chart of the company's staff.
  - A Resume of the Project Manager who will be assigned to DD2's projects.

*\*It is not necessary to submit this entire solicitation document with your bid.*

#### V. QUALIFICATIONS

5.1 QUALIFICATIONS OF OFFEROR: Bids will be accepted from Offerors who are regularly established in the business called for, and who, in the judgment of the district, are financially responsible and able to show evidence of their reliability (to render prompt and satisfactory service in the volume required by this solicitation), experience, equipment, facilities and personnel directly employed or supervised. Qualification shall be determined after a review of the following:

- SC Contractor's License
- Contractor's EMR Rate
- A brief summary of the company history.
- An organizational chart of the company's staff.
- A Resume of the Project Manager who will be assigned to DD2's projects.

#### VI. AWARD CRITERIA

6.1 AWARD CRITERIA – FIXED PRICE BIDDING (JAN 2006): Award will be made to all responsive and responsible Offerors. [06-6023-1]

All approved and qualified bidders will be placed on an awarded contractor list to be used by DD2. Award does not guarantee a contractor any level of usage of services or funding amount. Failure of a provider to receive business shall not be grounds for a contract controversy under Section 11-35-4230 of the District's Procurement Code. During the term of the contract, the District may add additional contractors to the list of awarded contractors

6.2 BIDS RECEIVED AFTER AWARD – FIXED PRICE BIDDING (JAN 2006): Offerors not responding to the initial solicitation may be added to the awarded contractors list provided the bidder furnishes evidence of responsibility and responsiveness to the state's original fixed price bid as authorized by the solicitation. [06-6045-1]

##### **SUBMISSION OF OFFERS AFTER THE INITIAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE:**

During the term of this contract, the District will consider additional offers submitted for this contract. Contractors that wish to be considered during the contract term must submit offers to the District according to the instructions contained herein. **No new submissions will be accepted after November 1, 2030.**

Notwithstanding the final award cutoff stated above, the subsequent awards will be posted on a quarterly basis on, or around January 1, April, 1, July 1, and October 1 and will be valid for the prorated remainder of the maximum contract term.

6.3 AWARD TO MULTIPLE OFFERORS (JAN 2006): Award may be made to more than one Offeror. [06-6035-1]

#### VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

##### **A. General**

ASSIGNMENT, NOVATION, AND CHANGE OF NAME, IDENTITY, OR STRUCTURE (FEB 2015)

(a) Contractor shall not assign this contract, or its rights, obligations, or any other interest arising from this contract, or delegate any of its performance obligations, without the express written consent of the responsible procurement officer. The foregoing restriction does not apply to a transfer that occurs by operation of law (e.g., bankruptcy; corporate reorganizations and consolidations, but not including partial asset sales). Notwithstanding the foregoing, contractor may assign monies receivable under the contract provided that the state shall have no obligation to make payment to an assignee until thirty days after contractor (not the assignee) has provided the responsible procurement officer with (i) proof of the assignment, (ii) the identity (by contract number) of the specific state contract to which the assignment applies, and (iii) the name of the assignee and the exact address or account information to which assigned payments should be made. (b) If contractor amends, modifies, or otherwise changes its name, its identity (including its trade name), or its corporate, partnership or other structure, or its FEIN, contractor shall provide the procurement officer prompt written notice of such change. (c) Any name change, transfer, assignment, or novation is subject to the conditions and approval required by Regulation 19-445.2180, which does not restrict transfers by operation of law. [07-7A004-2]

BANKRUPTCY (a) Notice. In the event the Contractor enters into proceedings relating to bankruptcy, whether voluntary or involuntary, the Contractor agrees to furnish written notification of the bankruptcy to the District. This notification shall be furnished within five (5) days of this initiation of the proceedings relating to the bankruptcy filing. This notification shall include the date on which the bankruptcy petition was filed, and a listing of all District contracts against which final payment has not been made. This obligation remains in effect until final payment under this Contract. (b) Termination. This contract is voidable and subject to immediate termination by the District upon the contractor's insolvency, including filing of proceedings in bankruptcy.

COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS During the term of the Contract, Contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of laws, codes, ordinances, rules, regulations, and tariffs.

COMPLIANCE WITH STATUTES: During the term of the contract, it shall be the Contractor's responsibility to ensure compliance with all applicable provisions of laws, codes, ordinances, rules, regulations, and tariffs.

CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION Questions or problems arising after award of this contract shall be directed to the Procurement Official at PO Box 128, 229 East Main Street, Moncks Corner, SC 29461.

CONTRACTOR PERSONNEL The Contractor shall enforce strict discipline and good order among the Contractor's employees and other persons carrying out the Contract. The Contractor shall not permit employment of unfit persons or persons not skilled in tasks assigned to them.

CONTRACTOR SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR PERFORMANCE: The District will rely upon the Contractor for full, complete, and satisfactory performance under the terms and conditions of this agreement. If the Contractor's services provided for hereunder include services, equipment, or materials supplied by a subcontractor, the Contractor must act as the prime Contractor for these items and assume full responsibility for performance hereunder. The Contractor will be considered the sole point of contact with regard to all situations, including payment of all charges and the meeting of all other requirements.

DISCUSSION WITH BIDDERS Discussion may be conducted with apparent responsive bidders for the purpose clarification to assure full understanding of the requirements of the invitation for bids.

DISPUTES (JAN 2006): (1) Choice-of-Forum. All disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the Agreement shall be resolved exclusively by the appropriate Chief Procurement Officer in accordance with Title 11, Chapter 35, Article 17 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, or in the absence of jurisdiction, only in the Court of Common Pleas for, or a federal court located in, Richland County, State of South Carolina. Contractor agrees that any act by the Government regarding the Agreement is not a waiver of either the Government's sovereign immunity or the Government's immunity under the Eleventh Amendment of the United States Constitution. As used in this paragraph, the term "Agreement" means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation. (2) Service of Process. Contractor consents that any papers, notices, or process necessary or proper for the initiation or continuation of any disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the Agreement; for any court action in connection therewith; or for the entry of judgment on any award made, may be served on Contractor by certified mail (return receipt requested) addressed to Contractor at the address provided as the Notice Address on Page Two or by personal service or by any other manner that is permitted by law, in or outside South Carolina. Notice by certified mail is deemed duly given upon deposit in the United States mail. [07-7A025-1]

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY Contractor is referred to and shall comply with all applicable provisions, in any, of Title 41, Part 60 of the Code of Federal Regulations, including but not limited to Sections 60-1.74, 60-4.2, 60-4.3, 60-250.5(a), and 60-741.5 (a), which are hereby incorporated by reference.

FALSE CLAIMS (JAN 2006): According to the S.C. Code of Laws Section 16-13-240, “a person who by false pretense or representation obtains the signature of a person to a written instrument or obtains from another person any chattel, money, valuable security, or other property, real or personal, with intent to cheat and defraud a person of that property is guilty” of a crime. [07-7A035-1]

FORCE MAJEURE The contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs if the failure to perform the contract arises out of causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the contractor. Such causes may include, but are not restricted to acts of God or of the public enemy, acts of the government in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, freight embargoes, and unusually severe weather but in every case the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the contractor. If the failure to perform is caused by default of a subcontractor, and if such default arises out of causes beyond the control of both the contractor and subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either of them, the contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs for failure to perform, unless the supplies or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the contractor to meet required delivery schedule.

#### INDEMNIFICATION

1. To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless the Owner, Dorchester School District Two, its agents, Board, officers and/or officials, employees and volunteers (hereinafter, the “Indemnitees”) from and against claims, damages, losses and expenses, including but not limited to attorneys’ fees, arising out of or resulting from performance of the work, provided that such claim, damage, loss or expense is attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property including loss of use resulting therefrom, but only to the extent caused in whole or in part by negligent acts or omissions of the Contractor, a Subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by them or anyone for whose acts they may be liable, regardless of whether or not such claim, damage, loss or expense is caused in part by a party indemnified hereunder. Such obligation shall not be construed to negate, abridge or reduce other rights or obligations of indemnify which would otherwise exist as to a party or person described herein.

2. In claims against any person or entity indemnified herein by an employee of the Contractor, a Subcontractor, anyone directly or indirectly employed by them or anyone directly or indirectly employed by them or anyone for whose acts they may be liable, the indemnification obligation herein shall not be limited by a limitation on amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for the Contractor or a Subcontractor under workers’ compensation acts, disability benefit acts or other employee benefit acts. Further, any performance bond or insurance protection required by the contract, or otherwise provided by the Contractor, shall in no way limit the responsibility to indemnify, keep and save harmless and defend the Indemnitees as herein provided.

3. The Contractor’s indemnity obligations shall also specifically include, without limitation, all fines, penalties, damages, liability, costs, expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys’ fees and court costs), and punitive damages (if any) arising out of, or in connection with, and (1) violation of or failure to comply with any law, statute, ordinance, rule, regulation, code or requirement of a public authority that bears upon the performance of this contract by the Contractor, a Subcontractor, or any person or entity for whom either is responsible, (2) means, methods, procedures, techniques or sequences or execution or performance of the services required, and (3) failure to secure and pay for permits, fees, approvals, and/or licenses related to performance of the contract by the Contractor, a Subcontractor or any person or entity for whom either is responsible.

4. The Contractor shall indemnify and hold harmless all of the Indemnitees from and against any costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys’ fees and court costs) incurred by any of the Indemnitees in enforcing any of the Contractor’s defense, indemnity and hold-harmless obligations under this contract.

5. The Contractor shall further indemnify and hold harmless the Indemnitees from all suits or claims of any character brought by reason of infringing on any patent, trademark or copyright. Contractor shall have no liability to the Indemnitees if such patent, trademark or copyright infringement or claim is based upon the Contractor’s use of materials furnished to the Contractor by an Indemnitee.

ITEM SUBSTITUTION (This clause does not apply to solicitations for service requirements). No substitutes will be allowed on purchase orders received from the District without permission from the Procurement Official.

LIENS AND ENCUMBRANCES The Contractor shall satisfy immediately any lien or encumbrance which, because of any act or default of the Contractor, is filed against the District.

LICENSES AND PERMITS: During the term of the contract, the Contractor shall be responsible for obtaining, and maintaining in good standing, all licenses (including professional licenses, if any), permits, inspections and related fees for each or any such licenses, permits and /or inspections required by the District, county, city or other government entity or unit to accomplish the work specified in this solicitation and the contract.

NON INTERFERENCE: In the event Contractor is unable for any reason to provide any material, services, supplies, products or other items of any type or variety to the District under this agreement, including but not limited to any such materials, services, supplies, etc. available from any other party (such as subcontractors) supplying said materials, services, etc. to Contractor, the District will have the right to deal directly with the other supplier without penalty or interference from Contractor.

OPEN TRADE During the contract term, including any renewals or extensions, Contractor will not engage in the boycott of a person or an entity doing business with a jurisdiction with whom South Carolina can enjoy open trade, as defined in SC Code Section 11-35-5300. [07-A053-1]

ORDER OF PRECEDENCE In the event of inconsistency between provisions of this solicitation, the inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order: (a) bid pricing schedule, (b) bid specifications, (c) standard solicitation provisions/general contract clauses, whether incorporated by reference or otherwise, (d) special solicitation provisions/special contract clauses and (e) instructions to bidders.

PAYMENT FOR GOODS AND SERVICES Payment for goods and services received by the District shall be processed in accordance with the Dorchester School District Two Procurement Code. A purchase order will be issued and must be referenced on all invoices presented for payment. Invoices should be sent to Dorchester School District Two at Operations and Facilities, 2226 Old Highway 52, Moncks Corner, SC 29461. **The District reserves the right to remit payment to vendor electronically utilizing the Purchasing Card or ePayables method in lieu of issuing a check at no additional cost to the District.** For orders being picked up from retail locations, the District reserves the right to use the Purchasing Card at the point of sale.

PROTECTION OF HUMAN HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT The District requires all vendor activities to be in compliance with local, state, and federal mandates concerning “protection of human health and the environment”. Any vendor doing business with the District will be required to document compliance and to specify prudent practices used by the vendor to address applicable mandates including, but not restricted to “the hazard communication standard” OSHA CFR 191 0.1200 (SCRR article 1,71-1910.1200). By submission of this bid, the vendor agrees to take all necessary steps to ensure compliance with these requirements.

PUBLICITY RELEASES Contractor agrees not to refer to award of this contract in commercial advertising in such a manner as to state or imply that the products or services provided are endorsed or preferred by the user.

PURCHASE ORDERS Contractor shall not perform any work prior to the receipt of a purchase order from the using governmental unit. The using governmental unit shall order any supplies or services to be furnished under this contract by issuing a purchase order. Purchase orders may be used to elect any options available under this contract, e.g., quantity, item, delivery date, payment method, but are subject to all terms and conditions of this contract. Purchase orders may be electronic. No particular form is required. An order placed pursuant to the purchasing card provisions qualifies as a purchase order.

PURCHASE ORDER AMENDMENTS, MODIFICATIONS AND CHANGE ORDERS Any change orders, alterations, amendments or other modifications hereunder shall not be effective unless reduced to writing and approved by the Procurement Official responsible for this solicitation and the vendor. All questions, problems or changes arising after award of this purchase order shall be directed to the Procurement Official responsible for this solicitation, at PO Box 128 or 229 East Main Street, Moncks Corner, SC 29461.

PURCHASING CARD Contractor agrees to accept payment by the South Carolina Purchasing Card for no extra charge. The Purchasing Card is issued by VISA™. The purchasing card allows the District to make authorized purchases from a vendor without the requirement to issue a purchase order.

RECORDS RETENTION AND RIGHT TO AUDIT Dorchester School District Two has the right to audit the books and records of the contractor as they pertain to this contract, both independent of, and pursuant to, the District Procurement Code. Such books and records shall be maintained for a period of three (3) years from the date of final payment under the contract.

The District may conduct, or have conducted, performance audits of the contractor. The District may conduct, or have conducted, audits of specific requirements of this bid as determined necessary by the District.

Pertaining to all audits, contractor shall make available to the District access to its computer files containing the history of contract performance and all other documents related to the audit. Additionally, any software used by the contractor shall be made available for auditing purposes at no cost to the District.

REJECTION The District reserves the right to reject any bid that contains prices for individual items or services that are unreasonable when compared to the same or other bids if such action is in the best interest of the District.

RESTRICTIONS/LIMITATIONS No purchases are to be made from this purchase order for any item that is not listed or for any item that is currently authorized under any other purchase order awarded prior to this purchase order.

SOUTH CAROLINA GOVERNING LAW CLAUSE The agreement and any dispute, claim, or controversy relating to the agreement shall, in all respects, be interpreted, construed, enforced and governed by and under the laws of the State of South Carolina. All disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the agreement shall be resolved exclusively by the Executive Director of Finance in accordance with the District Procurement Code, or in the absence of jurisdiction, only in the court of common pleas for, or a federal court located in, Dorchester County, State of South Carolina. Vendor agrees that any act by the government regarding the agreement is not a waiver of either the government's sovereign immunity or the government's immunity under the eleventh amendment of the United States Constitution. As used in this paragraph, the term "agreement means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation.

SWMBE PARTICIPATION: Dorchester School District Two encourages SWMBE businesses to participate in the Solicitation process. All business conducted with SWMBE businesses certified by the South Carolina Governor's Office of Small and Minority Business Assistance is recorded in a semi-annual report submitted to the Dorchester School District Two Board of Trustees. In order to be included in this report you must submit a copy of your certificate with your proposal.

TAXES Any tax the Contractor may be required to collect or pay upon the sale, use or delivery of the products shall be paid by DD2, and such sums shall be due and payable to the Contractor upon acceptance. Any personal property taxes levied after delivery shall be paid by DD2. It shall be solely DD2's obligation, after payment to Contractor, to challenge the applicability of any tax by negotiation with, or action against, the taxing authority. Contractor agrees to refund any tax collected, which is subsequently determined not to be proper and for which a refund has been paid to Contractor by the taxing authority. In the event that the Contractor fails to pay, or delays in paying, to any taxing authorities, sums paid by DD2 to Contractor, Contractor shall be liable to DD2 for any loss (such as the assessment of additional interest) caused by virtue of this failure or delay. Taxes based on Contractor's net income or assets shall be the sole responsibility of the Contractor.

TERMINATION Subject to the conditions below, the District providing a 30-day advance notice in writing is given to the vendor may terminate the purchase order for any reason.

NON-APPROPRIATIONS Any purchase order entered into by the District resulting from this bid invitation shall be subject to cancellation without damages or further obligation when funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support continuation of performance in a subsequent fiscal period or appropriated year.

FOR CONVENIENCE In the event that this purchase order is terminated or canceled upon request and for the convenience of the District without the required thirty (30) days advance written notice, then the District may negotiate reasonable termination costs, if applicable.

FOR CAUSE Termination by the District for cause, default or negligence on the part of the vendor shall be excluded from the foregoing conditions; termination costs, if any, shall not apply. The thirty (30) days advance notice requirement is waived and the default clause in this bid shall apply.

DEFAULT In case of default by the vendor, the District reserves the right to purchase any or all items in default in the open market, charging the vendor with any additional costs. The defaulting vendor shall not be considered a responsible bidder until the assessed charge has been satisfied.

WAIVER (JAN 2006): The District does not waive any prior or subsequent breach of the terms of the Contract by making payments on the Contract, by failing to terminate the Contract for lack of performance, or by failing to strictly or promptly insist upon any term of the Contract. Only the Procurement Officer has actual authority to waive any of the District's rights under this Contract. Any waiver must be in writing. [07-7A095-1]

## **B. Special**

ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION (NOV 2008): (An overview is available at [www.procurement.sc.gov](http://www.procurement.sc.gov)) By signing your offer, you certify that you will comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14 of the South Carolina Code of Laws and agree to provide to the State upon request any documentation required to establish either: (a) that Title 8, Chapter 14 is inapplicable to you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors; or (b) that you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors are in compliance with Title 8, Chapter 14. Pursuant to Section 8-14-60, "A person who knowingly makes or files any false, fictitious, or fraudulent document, statement, or report pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction, must be fined within the discretion of the court or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both." You agree to include in any contracts with your subcontractors language requiring your subcontractors to (a) comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts with the sub-subcontractors language requiring the sub-subcontractors to comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14. [07-7B097-1]

PRICE ADJUSTMENT Prices shall remain firm during the initial contract period. Any request for price increase must be submitted to the District at least 90 days prior to the automatic renewal date. The request should be forwarded by registered mail to ensure delivery. Request shall be accompanied by a copy of the manufacturer's official notice of such increases. The maximum price increases will not exceed the percent change from the previous year(s) shown in the most current consumer's price index (CPI) for all urban consumers (CPI-U) under "All Items" or the current market conditions as determined by the contract administrator. The District reserves the right to accept the price increases or cancel the contract and award to the next low bidder or re-bid the requirement, and will notify the contractor in writing within fifteen (15) days following the date of request. No increase shall be effective until approved by the District. It is understood and agreed that orders will be shipped at prices in effect on date shown on the District's purchase order. Any decrease in the cost of the finished product due to a general decline in the market price or other effective factors shall be forwarded to the District with immediate inception into the term contract.

### PROTECTION OF EXISTING VEGETATION, STRUCTURES, EQUIPMENT, UTILITIES, AND IMPROVEMENTS (DD2):

- a. The Contractor shall preserve and protect all structures, equipment, and vegetation (such as grass, trees, and shrubs) on or adjacent to the work sites, which are not to be removed and which do not unreasonably interfere with the work required under this contract. The Contractor shall only remove trees when specifically authorized to do so, and shall avoid damaging vegetation that will remain in place. If any limbs or branches of trees broken during contract performance, or by any careless operation of equipment, or by workmen, the Contractor shall trim those limbs or branches with a clean cut and paint the cut with tree pruning compound as directed by the District representative(s).
- b. The Contractor shall protect from damage all existing improvements and utilities at or near the work site and on adjacent property of a third party, the locations of which are known to or should be known by the Contractor. The Contractor shall repair any damages to those facilities, including those that are the property of a third party resulting from failure to comply with the requirements of this contract or failure to exercise reasonable care in performing the work. If the Contractor fails or refuses to repair the damaged property, the District representative(s) may recommend that the necessary work be performed and charge the cost to the Contractor.

PROTECTION OF HUMAN HEALTH AND THE ENVIRONMENT (DD2): The District requires all vendor activities to be in compliance with local, state, and federal mandates concerning "protection of human health and the environment". Any vendor doing business with the District will be required to document compliance and to specify prudent practices used by the vendor to address applicable mandates including, but not restricted to "the hazard communication standard" OSHA CFR 191 0.1200 (SCRR article 1,71-1910.1200). By submission of this bid, the vendor agrees to take all necessary steps to ensure compliance with these requirements.

VOLUME This is an indefinite delivery contract; therefore, quantities to be purchased are unknown. Orders will be placed on an "as needed" basis. Individual purchase orders will be issued against the contract resulting from this solicitation. The total amount to be ordered on this contract is unknown. The amounts to be ordered on each purchase order are unknown.

WARRANTY Contractor must provide the manufacturer's standard written warranty upon delivery of product.

## **End of Section**

**VIII BIDDING SCHEDULE – FPB #2526-004 - ASPHALT SERVICES**

Refer to [ATTACHMENT D](#)

## IX. ATTACHMENTS TO SOLICITATIONS

- A. Offeror's Checklist
- B. Minority Participation Affidavit
- C. Questionnaire
- D. [Bidding Schedule](#)
- E. Scope of Work
- F. FDH Parking Lot Layout

### ATTACHMENT A

#### OFFEROR'S CHECKLIST AVOID COMMON MISTAKES

Web site:

Review this checklist prior to submitting your proposal  
If you fail to follow this checklist, you risk having your proposal rejected.

- COMPLETED AND SIGNED ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS.
- DO NOT INCLUDE ANY OF YOUR STANDARD CONTRACT FORMS!
- UNLESS EXPRESSLY REQUIRED, DO NOT INCLUDE ANY ADDITIONAL BOILERPLATE CONTRACT CLAUSES.
- REREAD YOUR ENTIRE PROPOSAL TO MAKE SURE YOUR PROPOSAL DOES NOT TAKE EXCEPTION TO ANY OF THE DISTRICTS MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS.
- MAKE SURE YOU HAVE PROPERLY MARKED ALL PROTECTED, CONFIDENTIAL, OR TRADE SECRET INFORMATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE HEADING ENTITLED: FOIA BIDDING INSTRUCTIONS, SUBMITTING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION. ***DO NOT MARK YOUR ENTIRE BID AS CONFIDENTIAL, TRADE SECRET, OR PROTECTED! Do NOT INCLUDE A LEGEND ON THE COVER STATING THAT YOUR ENTIRE RESPONSE IS NOT TO BE RELEASED!***
- HAVE YOU PROPERLY ACKNOWLEDGED ALL AMENDMENTS? INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING HOW TO ACKNOWLEDGE AN AMENDMENT SHOULD APPEAR IN ALL AMENDMENTS ISSUED.
- MAKE SURE YOUR PROPOSAL INCLUDES A COPY OF THE SOLICITATION COVER PAGE.
- MAKE SURE A PERSON THAT IS AUTHORIZED TO CONTRACTUALLY BIND YOUR BUSINESS SIGNS THE COVER PAGE.
- MAKE SURE YOUR PROPOSAL INCLUDES THE NUMBER OF COPIES REQUESTED.
- CHECK TO ENSURE YOUR PROPOSAL INCLUDES EVERYTHING REQUESTED!
- IF YOU HAVE CONCERNS ABOUT THE SOLICITATION, DO NOT RAISE THOSE CONCERNS IN YOUR RESPONSE! **AFTER OPENING, IT IS TOO LATE! IF THIS SOLICITATION INCLUDES A PRE-PROPOSAL CONFERENCE OR A QUESTION & ANSWER PERIOD, RAISE YOUR QUESTIONS AS A PART OF THAT PROCESS! PLEASE SEE BIDDING INSTRUCTIONS AND ANY PROVISIONS REGARDING PRE-BID CONFERENCES.**

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**NOTE:** This checklist is included only as a reminder to help Offerors avoid common mistakes  
Responsiveness will be evaluated against the solicitation **not** against this checklist.  
You do not need to return this checklist with your response.

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**ATTACHMENT B**

**Minority Participation Affidavit**

- Is the bidder a South Carolina Certified Minority Business? (Yes) \_\_\_\_\_ (No) \_\_\_\_\_
- Is the bidder a Minority Business certified by another governmental entity?  
(Yes) \_\_\_\_\_ (No) \_\_\_\_\_
- If so, please list the certifying governmental entity: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Will any of the work under this contract be performed by a SC certified Minority Business as a subcontractor? (Yes) \_\_\_\_\_ (No) \_\_\_\_\_
- If so, what percentage of the total value of the contract will be performed by a SC certified Minority Business as a subcontractor? \_\_\_\_\_%
- Will any of the work under this contract be performed by a minority business certified by another governmental entity as a subcontractor? (Yes) \_\_\_\_\_ (No) \_\_\_\_\_
- If so, what percentage of the total value of the contract will be performed by a minority business certified by another governmental entity as a subcontractor? \_\_\_\_\_%

If a certified Minority Business is participating in this contract, please indicate all categories for which the Business is certified:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Traditional minority
- \_\_\_\_\_ Traditional minority, but female
- \_\_\_\_\_ Women (Caucasian females)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Hispanic minorities
- \_\_\_\_\_ Temporary certification
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other minorities (Native American, Asian, etc.)

***Note:** If more than one minority Contractor will be utilized in the performance of this contract, please provide the information above for each minority business.*

**ATTACHMENT C**

**QUESTIONNAIRE**

The Bidder shall answer the following questionnaire which shall be used in the bid evaluation process in order to determine the responsible bidder.

**1. SAFETY:**

Have you had any OSHA fines within the last three (3) years? YES  NO

Have you had jobsite fatalities within the last five (5) years? YES  NO

If you have answered **YES** to either of the above questions, you **MUST** submit on a separate sheet the details describing the circumstances surrounding each incident.

**2. EXPERIENCE:**

Years in business under present name: \_\_\_\_\_

Years performing work specialty: \_\_\_\_\_

Licenses currently valid in force: \_\_\_\_\_

**3. LICENSE SANCTIONS:**

List any regulatory or license agency sanctions. The District may perform a background check on respondent with all state and regulatory agencies. \_\_\_\_\_

**4. REFERENCES**

Provide three references from agencies you have performed similar services for in the past three (3) years.

*Reference #1*

Industry: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Contact Name & Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

*Reference #2*

Industry: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Contact Name & Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

*Reference #3*

Industry: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Contact Name & Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

**ATTACHMENT D**

**Bidding Schedule** is available in a separately posted file/document.

## ATTACHMENT E

### SCOPE OF WORK

Required Submittals-In addition to information requested elsewhere in this solicitation, Offerors should submit the following information for purposes of evaluation:

1. A photocopy of your contractor's license
2. The successful Offeror shall provide satisfactory evidence of all required insurance coverage and licenses PRIOR TO PERFORMANCE

General Specifications:

1. The Contractor must have a detailed understanding of positive drainage in all areas of work with forms & backfill. Must be familiar with ADA code requirements for ramps, sidewalks; be able to read construction plans and layout work in accordance with plans or written or verbal directions of DD2 Facilities personnel.
2. The Contractor must furnish a comprehensive, written "Not To Exceed" estimate prior to beginning each projects. If estimate exceeds budget, or appears to be against it's best interests, the District reserves the right to bid out the work in question.
3. The District expects a high standard of quality & quantity of work. Contractor must have full understanding of the work requested for each project. If any work deemed unacceptable by the District, the Contractor will replace at no additional cost to DD2.
4. Contractor must supply all hand tools, supplies, materials, and labor required to complete all projects.
5. The Contractor shall furnish necessary on site supervision at all times.
6. The Contractor is responsible for underground utility locating prior to commencement.
7. Contractor responsible for all site, pedestrian and vehicular traffic safety and control (All Projects).
8. The Contractor must follow all OSHA safety requirements.
9. The Contractor must complete work in a timely manner and with minimum of supervision from DD2 staff
10. The Contractor must maintain a neat and safe work site during & after work hours.
11. All debris, spoils, and trash collection, hauling, and disposal is the responsibility of the Contractor, including coordination of waste receptacles onsite, if necessary.

## ATTACHMENT E

### Detailed Specifications:

1. Any work not covered by unit pricing will be billed based on hourly rates.
2. Concrete will generally be 3,000 psi for most projects undertaken with this contract with lime, fiber, or other additives, as requested by the District.
3. Other materials (masonry, precast concrete, etc.) must be submitted to the District for approval prior to ordering.
4. Concrete finish: A smooth, hard, dense surface is desired, floating should be followed by steel troweling. Troweling should not be done on a surface that has not been floated; only bull floating is not an adequate finish procedure. A light broomed finish is desired, the concrete should be sufficiently hard to retain the scoring impression.
5. All 6" X 18" curb to be standard SCDOT curb profile.
6. No free hand forming of curb and gutter. All curb and gutter require front, face, and rear forms.
7. Contractor responsible for site dressing after remove and replace projects (included in unit pricing - if unit pricing applies). Site dressing for new projects will be optional but based on hourly rates if requested by The District.
8. Control joints (sawed) are required (Flatwork @ 10' maximum all directions. Curb and gutter @ 10' maximum) Fiber joint expansion material required at 60' maximum – Sawed joints and fiber joints Included in unit pricing.
9. #4 rebar dowels @ 2' on center inserted 4" minimum into adjacent existing concrete required for patches or repairs (Included in unit pricing – if unit pricing applies).
10. Contractor responsible for all concrete cleanout/cleanup to include receptacle which complies with EPA NPDES regulations (All Projects).
11. Contractor to be available for mobilization within 48 hours of request of The District.

## ATTACHMENT E

12. This contract will commonly entail (but is not limited to):

- a) Flatwork
- b) Curb and gutter
- c) ADA ramps
- d) Storm water infrastructure (above and below grade)
- e) Light bases
- f) Monumental sign bases (brick or concrete)
- g) Catch basins
- h) Retaining walls
- i) Stairs and/or handrails
- j) Utility duct banks
- k) Miscellaneous grading
- l) Miscellaneous excavating
- m) Brick and block
- n) Rock walls
- o) Pavers
- p) Detectable warning pavers

## APPENDICES TO SCOPE OF WORK

### Attachment D - [Bidding Schedule](#)

All offerors must complete Attachment D - Bidding Schedule, which may be found under the “Attachments” link on the District’s Solicitation Page. The Bidding Schedule is an Excel spreadsheet and must be downloaded, completed, printed and submitted with your sealed bid. Failure to do so will result in rejection of offer.

**ATTACHMENT F – FDH LAYOUT**

