

BID # V2526022B EXTRA CURRICULAR TRANSPORTATION SERVICES ADDENDUM No. 1:

The following is issued to supplement or revise the Contract Documents. The revisions to the documents are described below. Unless specifically changed by this addendum, the remainder of the drawings, documents, specifications, and bid date/time shall remain in effect as originally issued.

In an average school year, the District charts approximately 345 – 400 Extra-Curricular Trips. The original bid document incorrectly listed 250

Q1: Will the district consider removing the requirement to provide a bid bond?

A1: The District will waive the Bid Bond requirement for this bid.

Q2: As stated in the bid, the bid result will be published in the Daily Journal Newspaper, will district notify the bidder of the results via email as well?

A2: Bid results will be emailed, not published in the newspaper.

Q3: On page 8

- Under Public Liability and property insurance: Physical abuse, sexual Misconduct and Sexual Molestation Liability Insurance require \$1,000,000 per occurrence, and \$3,000,000 in aggregate. The cost will drive the rate very high with the \$3,000,000 aggregate. Will the district consider lowering the aggregate amount to \$1,000,000?
- Bodily injury and accidental death liability insurance requires \$5,000,000 combined single limit or \$1,000,000 per person. Will the district consider removing “\$1,000,000 per person”?

A3: The insurance requirements listed in section 19 of the bid documents remain firm, furthermore the District will not be able to enter in a contract without a certificate of insurance provided by an awarded bidder that meets these requirements. If rates need to be adjusted to cover the additional cost of insurance, that is understandable.

Q4: Page 17

- Cancellation of trip. The charge proposed by the district of \$15 or 10% is not adequate to cover the contractor’s cost if trip is cancelled 2 hours prior to District’s requested time. Will the district consider a higher dollar amount or higher percentage?

- Trip Sheet. Will the transportation department provide the trip sheet during the time of the request and/or prior each trip?

A4: No, the district is not considering changing the cancellation fee. A trip sheet can be provided electronically prior to each trip.

Q5: The insurance language appears somewhat unusual for a transportation agreement in the United States. The agreement references both Public Liability and Property Liability coverage. In the U.S., Public Liability is typically referred to as General Liability. While the agreement states that this coverage must be maintained for the duration of the contract, it does not specify the required coverage limit.

A5: Property Damage Liability Insurance including auto (both owned and non-owned): Not less than \$5,000,000 per loss.

Q6: The agreement also requests Auto Liability coverage (including Bodily Injury and Accidental Death) and separately lists Property Damage Liability. Under standard U.S. insurance practices, Bodily Injury, Accidental Death, and Property Damage are generally covered under a single Combined Single Limit (CSL) within the Auto Liability policy. As such, we would only be able to provide evidence of the combined Auto Liability limit rather than separate limits for each coverage component.

A6: Amounts of Insurance: Bodily Injury and Accidental Death Liability Insurance including auto (both owned and non-owner): Not less than \$5,000,000 combined single limit or \$1,000,000 per person, \$5,000,000 per accident.

Q7: Additionally, the agreement requires \$3 million aggregate SAM coverage. TCS currently maintains a \$1 million aggregate SAM limit. Increasing the limit to \$3 million would require the purchase of a new policy.

A7: The insurance requirements listed in section 19 of the bid documents remain firm, furthermore the District will not be able to enter in a contract without a certificate of insurance provided by an awarded bidder that meets these requirements. If rates need to be adjusted to cover the additional cost of insurance, that is understandable.

Q8: The agreement also requires submission of a bid bond as part of the bid package.

A8: The District will waive the Bid Bond requirement for this bid.

Q9: In order to offer the most price-competitive and cost-effective solution, our pricing is not based on a traditional per-day or per-hour bus route model. Instead, pricing consists of a base fee plus a per-mile fee. May proposals reflect this pricing structure so that costs are evaluated appropriately?

A9: Responses must adhere to the bid form provided in the bid documents.

Q10: What are the current and projected transportation budgets, the estimated annual contract value, and the historical spending?

A10: Due to the nature of extra-curricular transportation being an “as needed” service, the best estimate we can provide is that in an average school year, the District charters approximately 345-400 extra-curricular trips.

Q11: Please provide historical and or estimated information for the following by vehicle type:

- Monthly ridership
- Average number of riders per one-way trip
- Number of one-way trips per month
- Average mileage per one-way trip
- Total trip mileage per month

A11: Due to the nature of extra-curricular transportation being an “as needed” service, the best estimate we can provide is that in an average school year, the District charters approximately 345-400 extra-curricular trips.

Q12: Is there a specific score or grading scale associated with the evaluation criteria provided?

A12: Please see the “METHOD FOR AWARDED BID” section on the bid form.

Q13: Given the tight turnaround time and the recent holiday closures, would the District consider waiving the bid bond requirement for this solicitation?

A13: The District will waive the Bid Bond requirement for this bid.

Q14: Can you help advise the 2 statements below when it comes to the Bid Bond....we are uncertain whether the requirement is for the bid bond as it seems to contradict itself a bit.

Page 4 indicates the following: Bids shall be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check or bid bond in the amount of \$5,000.00 made payable to the order of the Vista Unified School District.

Page 24 indicates something different:

WHEREAS, subject to the terms of this Bond, the Surety is firmly bound unto the Obligee in the penal sum of ten percent (10%) of the maximum amount of the Bid Proposal

A14: The District will waive the Bid Bond requirement for this bid.