

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

Contractors shall follow the instructions in this document, and shall submit all documents, forms, and information required for consideration of a Bid.

The Corning Union High School District ("District") will evaluate information submitted by the apparent low Bidder and, if incomplete or unsatisfactory to District, Bidder's bid may be rejected at the sole discretion of District.

1. Bids are requested for a general construction contract, or work described in general, for the following project ("Project" or "Contract"):

CENTENNIAL HIGH SCHOOL RE-ROOFING PROJECT

2. District will receive sealed Bids from Bidders as stipulated in the Notice to Bidders.
3. Bidders must submit Bids on the Bid Form and Proposal and all other required District forms. Bids not submitted on the District's required forms shall be deemed non-responsive and shall not be considered. Additional sheets required to fully respond to requested information are permissible.
4. Bidders must supply all information required by each Bid Document. Bids must be full and complete. District reserves the right in its sole discretion to reject any Bid as non-responsive as a result of any error or omission in the Bid. Bidders must complete and submit all of the following documents with the Bid Form and Proposal:
 - a. Bid Bond on the District's form, or other security.
 - b. Designated Subcontractors List.
 - c. Noncollusion Declaration.
5. Bidders must submit with their Bids cash, a cashier's check or a certified check payable to District, or a bid bond by an admitted surety insurer of not less than ten percent (10%) of amount of base Bid, plus all additive alternates ("Bid Bond"). If Bidder chooses to provide a Bid Bond as security, Bidder must use the required form of corporate surety provided by District. The Surety on Bidder's Bid Bond must be an insurer admitted in the State of California and authorized to issue surety bonds in the State of California. Bids submitted without necessary bid security will be deemed non-responsive and will not be considered.
6. If Bidder to whom Contract is awarded fails or neglects to enter into Contract and submit required bonds, insurance certificates, and all other required documents, within **SEVEN (7)** calendar days after the date of the Notice of Award, District may deposit Bid Bond, cash, cashier's check, or certified check for collection, and proceeds thereof may be retained by District as liquidated damages for failure of Bidder to enter into Contract, in the sole discretion of District. It is agreed that calculation of damages District may suffer as a result of Bidder's failure to enter into the Contract would be extremely difficult and impractical to determine and that the

amount of the Bidder's required bid security shall be the agreed and conclusively presumed amount of damages.

7. Bidders must submit with the Bid the Designated Subcontractors List for those subcontractors who will perform any portion of Work, including labor, rendering of service, or specially fabricating and installing a portion of the Work or improvement according to detailed drawings contained in the plans and specifications, in excess of one half of one percent (0.5%) of total Bid. All of the listed subcontractors are required to be registered as a public works contractor with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to the Labor Code. Failure to submit this list when required by law shall result in Bid being deemed non-responsive and the Bid will not be considered.
 - a. An inadvertent error in listing the California contractor license number on the Designated Subcontractors List shall not be grounds for filing a bid protest or grounds for considering the bid nonresponsive if the correct contractor's license number is submitted to the District within 24 hours after the bid opening and the corrected number corresponds with the submitted name and location for that subcontractor.
 - b. An inadvertent error listing an unregistered subcontractor shall not be grounds for filing a bid protest or grounds for considering the bid nonresponsive provided that any of the following apply:
 - (1) The subcontractor is registered prior to the bid opening.
 - (2) The subcontractor is registered and has paid the penalty registration fee within 24 hours after the bid opening.
 - (3) The subcontractor is replaced by another registered subcontractor pursuant to Public Contract Code section 4107.
8. If a mandatory pre-bid conference and site visit ("Site Visit") is required as referenced in the Notice to Bidders, then Bidders must submit the Site-Visit Certification with their Bid. District will transmit to all prospective Bidders of record such Addenda as District in its discretion considers necessary in response to questions arising at the Site Visit. Oral statements shall not be relied upon and will not be binding or legally effective. Addenda issued by the District as a result of the Site Visit, if any, shall constitute the sole and exclusive record and statement of the results of the Site Visit.
9. Bidders shall submit the Noncollusion Declaration with their Bids. Bids submitted without the Noncollusion Declaration shall be deemed non-responsive and will not be considered.
10. Bids shall be clearly written and without erasure or deletions. District reserves the right to reject any Bid containing erasures, deletions, or illegible contents.
11. Bidders shall not modify the Bid Form and Proposal or qualify their Bids. Bidders shall not submit to the District a re-formatted, re-typed, altered, modified, or otherwise recreated version of the Bid Form and Proposal or other District-provided document.

12. The Bidder and all Subcontractors under the Contractor shall pay all workers on all work performed pursuant to this Contract not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and the general prevailing rate for holiday and overtime work as determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations, State of California, for the type of work performed and the locality in which the work is to be performed within the boundaries of the District, pursuant to sections 1770 et seq. of the California Labor Code. Copies of the general prevailing rates of per diem wages for each craft, classification, or type of worker needed to execute the Contract, as determined by Director of the State of California Department of Industrial Relations, are available upon request at the District's principal office. Prevailing wage rates are also available on the internet at <http://www.dir.ca.gov>.
13. Submission of Bid signifies careful examination of Contract Documents and complete understanding of the nature, extent, and location of Work to be performed. Bidders must complete the tasks listed below as a condition to bidding, and submission of a Bid shall constitute the Bidder's express representation to District that Bidder has fully completed the following:
 - a. Bidder has correlated its knowledge and the results of all such observations, examinations, investigations, explorations, tests, reports, and studies with the terms and conditions of the Contract Documents;
 - b. Bidder has given the District prompt written notice of all conflicts, errors, ambiguities, or discrepancies that it has discovered in or among the Contract Documents and the actual conditions, and the written resolution thereof by the District is acceptable to Bidder;
 - c. Bidder has made a complete disclosure in writing to the District of all facts bearing upon any possible interest, direct or indirect, that Bidder believes any representative of the District or other officer or employee of the District presently has or will have in this Contract or in the performance thereof or in any portion of the profits thereof;
 - d. Bidder must, prior to bidding, perform the work, investigations, research, and analysis required by this document and that Bidder represented in its Bid Form and Proposal and the Agreement that it performed prior to bidding. Contractor under this Contract is charged with all information and knowledge that a reasonable bidder would ascertain from having performed this required work, investigation, research, and analysis. Bid prices must include entire cost of all work "incidental" to completion of the Work.
14. All questions about the meaning or intent of the Contract Documents are to be directed in writing to the District. Interpretations or clarifications considered necessary by the District in response to such questions will be issued in writing by Addenda emailed, faxed, mailed, or delivered to all parties recorded by the District as having received the Contract Documents. Questions received less than **SEVEN (7)** calendar days prior to the date for opening Bids may not be answered. Only questions answered by formal written Addenda will be binding. Oral and other interpretations or clarifications will be without legal effect.
15. Addenda may also be issued to modify other parts of the Contract Documents as deemed advisable by the District.

16. Each Bidder must acknowledge each Addendum in its Bid Form and Proposal by number or its Bid shall be considered non-responsive. Each Addendum shall be part of the Contract Documents. A complete listing of Addenda may be secured from the District.
17. Bids shall be based on products and systems specified in Contract Documents or listed by name in Addenda. Whenever in the Specifications any materials, process, or article is indicated or specified by grade, patent, or proprietary name, or by name of manufacturer, that Specification shall be deemed to be followed by the words "or equal." Bidder may, unless otherwise stated, offer any material, process, or article that shall be substantially equal or better in every respect to that so indicated or specified. The District is not responsible and/or liable in any way for a Contractor's damages and/or claims related, in any way, to that Contractor's basing its bid on any requested substitution that the District has not approved in advance and in writing. Contractors and materials suppliers who submit requests for substitutions prior to the award of the Contract must do so in writing and in compliance with Public Contract Code section 3400. All requests must comply with the following:
 - a. District must receive any notice of request for substitution of a specified item a minimum of **TEN (10)** calendar days prior to bid opening. The Successful Bidder will not be allowed to substitute specified items unless properly noticed.
 - b. Within 35 days after the date of the Notice of Award, the Successful Bidder shall submit data substantiating a request(s) for all substitution(s) containing sufficient information to assess acceptability of product or system and impact on Project, including, without limitation, the requirements specified in the Special Conditions and the Specifications. Insufficient information shall be grounds for rejection of substitution.
 - c. Approved substitutions, if any, shall be listed in Addenda. District reserves the right not to act upon submittals of substitutions until after bid opening.
 - d. Substitutions may be requested after Contract has been awarded only if indicated in and in accordance with requirements specified in the Special Conditions and the Specifications.
18. All Bids must be sealed, and marked with name and address of the Bidder and the Project Number, Bid number, Bid package, and time of bid opening. Bids will be received as indicated in the Notice to Bidders.
 - a. Mark envelopes with the name of the Project.
 - b. Bids must be submitted to the **[District Facilities Office]** by date and time shown in the Notice to Bidders.
 - c. Bids must contain all documents as required herein.
19. Bids will be opened at or after the time indicated for receipt of bids.
20. The District shall award the Contract, if it awards it at all, to the lowest responsive responsible bidder based on the criteria as indicated in the Notice to Bidders. In the

event two or more responsible bidders submit identical bids, the District shall select the Bidder to whom to award the Contract by lot.

21. Time for Completion: District may issue a Notice to Proceed within **NINETY (90) days** from the date of the Notice of Award. Once Contractor has received the Notice to Proceed, Contractor shall complete the Work within the period of time indicated in the Contract Documents.
- a. In the event that the District desires to postpone issuing the Notice to Proceed beyond this 90-day period, it is expressly understood that with reasonable notice to the Contractor, the District may postpone issuing the Notice to Proceed.
 - b. It is further expressly understood by Contractor that Contractor shall not be entitled to any claim of additional compensation as a result of the postponement of the issuance of the Notice to Proceed beyond a 90-day period. If the Contractor believes that a postponement of issuance of the Notice to Proceed will cause a hardship to the Contractor, the Contractor may terminate the Contract. Contractor's termination due to a postponement beyond this 90-day period shall be by written notice to District within **TEN (10)** calendar days after receipt by Contractor of District's notice of postponement.
 - c. It is further understood by the Contractor that in the event that Contractor terminates the Contract as a result of postponement by the District, the District shall only be obligated to pay Contractor for the Work that Contractor had performed at the time of notification of postponement and which the District had in writing authorized Contractor to perform prior to issuing a Notice to Proceed.
 - d. Should the Contractor terminate the Contract as a result of a notice of postponement, District shall have the authority to award the Contract to the next lowest responsive responsible bidder.
22. The Bidder to whom Contract is awarded shall execute and submit the following documents by 5:00 p.m. of the **SEVENTH (7th)** calendar day following the date of the Notice of Award. Failure to properly and timely submit these documents entitles District to reject the bid as non-responsive.
- a. Agreement: To be executed by successful Bidder. Submit four (4) copies, each bearing an original signature.
 - b. Escrow of Bid Documentation: This must include all required documentation. See the document Escrow of Bid Documentation for more information. **[IF USED]**
 - c. Insurance Certificates and Endorsements as required.
 - d. Workers' Compensation Certification.
 - e. Prevailing Wage and Related Labor Requirements Certification.
 - f. Drug-Free Workplace Certification. **[IF APPLICABLE]**

- g. Tobacco-Free Environment Certification. **[IF APPLICABLE]**
 - h. Hazardous Materials Certification. **[IF APPLICABLE]**
 - i. Lead-Based Paint Certification. **[IF APPLICABLE]**
 - j. Criminal Background Investigation/Fingerprinting Certification.
 - k. Roofing Project Certification: from Contractor, Material Manufacturer and/or Vendor.
23. Any bid protest by any Bidder regarding any other bid must be submitted in writing to the District, before 5:00 p.m. of the **THIRD (3rd)** business day following bid opening.
- a. Only a Bidder who has actually submitted a bid, and who could be awarded the Contract if the bid protest is upheld, is eligible to submit a bid protest. Subcontractors are not eligible to submit bid protests. A Bidder may not rely on the bid protest submitted by another Bidder.
 - b. A bid protest must contain a complete statement of any and all bases for the protest and all supporting documentation. Materials submitted after the bid protest deadline will not be considered.
 - c. The protest must refer to the specific portions of all documents that form the basis for the protest.
 - (1) Without limitation to any other basis for protest, an inadvertent error in listing the California contractor license number on the Designated Subcontractors List shall not be grounds for filing a bid protest or grounds for considering the bid nonresponsive if the correct contractor's license number is submitted to the District within 24 hours after the bid opening and the corrected number corresponds with the submitted name and location for that subcontractor.
 - (2) Without limitation to other bases for protest, an inadvertent error listing an unregistered subcontractor shall not be grounds for filing a bid protest or grounds for considering the bid nonresponsive provided that any of the following apply:
 - (i) The subcontractor is registered prior to the bid opening.
 - (ii) The subcontractor is registered and has paid the penalty registration fee within 24 hours after the bid opening.
 - (iii) The subcontractor is replaced by another registered subcontractor pursuant to Public Contract Code section 4107.
 - d. The protest must include the name, address and telephone number of the person representing the protesting party.
 - e. The party filing the protest must concurrently transmit a copy of the protest and any attached documentation to all other parties with a direct financial

interest that may be adversely affected by the outcome of the protest. Such parties shall include all other bidders or proposers who appear to have a reasonable prospect of receiving an award depending upon the outcome of the protest.

- f. The procedure and time limits set forth in this paragraph are mandatory and are each bidder's sole and exclusive remedy in the event of bid protest. Failure to comply with these procedures shall constitute a waiver of any right to further pursue the bid protest, including filing a Government Code Claim or legal proceedings.
- 24. District reserves the right to reject any or all bids, including without limitation the right to reject any or all nonconforming, non-responsive, unbalanced, or conditional bids, to re-bid, and to reject the bid of any bidder if District believes that it would not be in the best interest of the District to make an award to that bidder, whether because the bid is not responsive or the bidder is unqualified or of doubtful financial ability or fails to meet any other pertinent standard or criteria established by District. District also reserves the right to waive inconsequential deviations not involving price, time, or changes in the Work. For purposes of this paragraph, an "unbalanced bid" is one having nominal prices for some work items and/or enhanced prices for other work items.
 - 25. Discrepancies between written words and figures, or words and numerals, will be resolved in favor of numerals or figures.
 - 26. Prior to the award of Contract, District reserves the right to consider the responsibility of the Bidder. District may conduct investigations as District deems necessary to assist in the evaluation of any bid and to establish the responsibility, including, without limitation, qualifications and financial ability of Bidders, proposed subcontractors, suppliers, and other persons and organizations to perform and furnish the Work in accordance with the Contract Documents to District's satisfaction within the prescribed time.

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