

## NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS CALLING FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Santa Maria-Bonita School District (“**DISTRICT**”) of Santa Barbara County, California, acting by and through its Governing Board, hereinafter referred to as District, will receive up to, but not later than **2:00:00 p.m.** on the **23<sup>rd</sup> of April, 2025, (ELECTRONIC ONLY)** bids for:

**Bid No. 5384**

### **BATTLES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEW TK-K BUILDING AND SITE UPGRADES**

Specifications may be downloaded at the following web link:

<https://www.planetbids.com/portal/portal.cfm?CompanyID=29044>

Registration with PlanetBids is free and is required to download the solicitation documents. Bids must be received by the DISTRICT via electronic submission through PlanetBids. Submitted electronic bids cannot be opened and viewed by the DISTRICT until the BID closing date and time. Any electronic bid in progress and not submitted by the closing date and time will be rejected by PlanetBids.

All questions regarding this solicitation shall be directed through PlanetBids.

Each Bid shall be accompanied by a bid security in the form of a certified check, cashier's check, or Bid Bond by a guaranty company authorized to conduct business in the State of California, in an amount equal to at least ten percent (10%) of the sum of the total amount of the bid, including any options.

**A Mandatory Pre-bid Conference and Site Visit will be held on March 20, 2025, starting at 2:30 p.m. sharp. Prospective bidders are to meet outside of the front office at Battles Elementary School, 605 E. Battles Rd, Santa Maria, CA 93454. Prospective bidders arriving late will not be allowed to bid as a Prime Contractor.**

All Bidders shall be licensed under the provisions of Chapter 9, Division 3 of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California to do the type of work contemplated in the Project. The successful bidder shall possess a valid California Contractor's License issued by the Contractor's State License Board at the time the contract is awarded. The class of contractor's license shall be “**B**” or other applicable license.

Pursuant to Public Contract Code 20111.5, only General Contractors prequalified by the District will be eligible to submit a bid for this Project. All first-tier Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing Subcontractors must also be on the District's prequalified Contractors list. The Prequalification process is coordinated through PlanetBids. Prequalification questionnaire and document submission instructions may be found at the following link:

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The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Payment Bond and Performance Bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the total amount of the contract before commencement of work and conforming to the contract documents.

The successful bidder will be allowed to substitute securities or establish an escrow in lieu of retainage, pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 22300, and as described in the General Conditions.

Each bidder is required to furnish and maintain proof of Commercial General Liability Insurance, Workers' Compensation Insurance, and all other insurance or certifications as required by the contract documents.

The Department of Industrial Relations has determined the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and the general prevailing rate for holiday and overtime work for the locality in which this work is to be performed for each craft or type of worker needed to execute the contract. Copies of schedules of rates so determined are available on the Internet at:

<https://www.dir.ca.gov/dlsr/pwd>

Pursuant to Labor Code sections 1725.5 and 1771.1, all contractors and subcontractors that wish to bid on, be listed in a bid proposal, or enter into a contract to perform public work must be registered with the Department of Industrial Relations. No bid will be accepted nor any contract entered into without proof of the contractor's and subcontractors' current registration with the Department of Industrial Relations to perform public work. If awarded a Contract, the Bidder and its subcontractors, of any tier, shall maintain active registration with the Department of Industrial Relations for the duration of the Project.

This Project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. In bidding on this project, it shall be the Bidder's sole responsibility to evaluate and include the cost of complying with all labor compliance requirements under this contract and applicable law in its bid.

#### Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises (DVBE) Participation Requirement

State law and regulations adopted by the State Allocation Board (SAB) require that State-funded contracts have participation goals of 3% for Disabled Veteran Business Enterprises as defined in Public Contract Code Section 10115.1.

To be considered, a FIRM is required to meet the participation goals or make a good-faith effort to meet the DVBE participation goals as outlined in the regulations. In awarding the contract, the District shall consider the firm's compliance with SAB statutes and regulations related to DVBE participation.

The District reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive irregularities or informalities in any bid or in the bidding process.

No bidder may withdraw its bid for a period of ninety (90) days after the date set for the opening of bids.

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