

Resolution 2018-19: 174

Rejection of Bid and Authorization to Rebid DWT Mini-Bid Package #8 VoIP Phones Barton School 2, Forbes School 4 and Lincoln School 22 (Phase 2c)

By Board Member Norm Jones

WHEREAS, the Rochester School Facilities Modernization Program Act (“the Act”) established the Rochester Joint Schools Construction Board (“RJSCB” or “Board”), a seven voting member board consisting of equal representation by the City of Rochester (“City”) and the Rochester City School District (“District”), as well as a member jointly selected by the City and the District; and

WHEREAS, under the Act, the RJSCB has certain enumerated powers to act as agent for the District, the City, or both; and

WHEREAS, the authorizing legislation for Phase 2 of the Rochester Schools Modernization Program (“RSMP”) was signed into law by the Governor of the State of New York on December 17, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the amended Act authorized up to 26 projects in Phase 2 of the RSMP including a District Wide Technology (“DWT-2”) program which involves technology upgrades and infrastructure work at several of the possible projects; and

WHEREAS, the Program Manager received State Education Department approval of the designs for the DWT-2 projects on July 12, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the RJSCB’s Program Manager and the Technology Consultant, Millennium Strategies (“Millennium”), prepared a request for bid package for the DWT-2 project for Network Equipment and VOIP Phones at Edison, School 2, School 4, School 10, School 22 and School 54 (“Phase 2 Schools”) known as the “DWT-2 Mini-Bid Package #8”; and

WHEREAS, the RJSCB approved the issuance of request for bids (“Request for Bids”) for the DWT-2 Mini-Bid Package #8 at its meeting on May 6, 2019 (Resolution 2018-19: 156); and

WHEREAS, the RJSCB received bids for VOIP Phones for Phase 2 Schools through the issuance of the DWT-2 Mini-Bid Package #8 on May 31, 2019 per the deadline stipulated in the Request for Bids, and those bids were subsequently publicly opened and read aloud at the location stated in the Mini-Bid Documents; and

WHEREAS, the bid received for the VoIP Phones for School 2, School 4 and School 22 did not meet the specifications set forth in the DWT-2 Mini-Bid Package #8; and

WHEREAS, in the DWT-2 Mini-Bid Package #8, the RJSCB reserved the right to reject any or all bids received for said project; and

WHEREAS, Millennium and the Program Manager recommended to the M/WBE and Services Procurement Committee (the “Committee”) that it reject the sole bid for VoIP Phones for the Phase 2c Schools; and

WHEREAS, the purchase order for VoIP Phones for the Phase 2c Schools is expected to be less than \$20,000; and

WHEREAS, the RJSCB Chair has the authority to authorize and execute purchase orders for materials, equipment or supplies, provided that such purchase orders do not involve a financial commitment of the RJSCB in excess of \$20,000 annually provided that the Chair has determined such procurement is in accord with the objectives of the Purchasing and Procurement Policy (Resolution 2018-19:52); and

WHEREAS, the Committee considered and discussed the Program Manager and Millennium's recommendation at its June 6, 2019 meeting, and after due deliberation, the Committee approved the request to reject the bid for VoIP Phones for the Phase 2c Schools.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. The RJSCB hereby rejects the sole bid for VoIP Phones for the Phase 2c Schools.

Second by Board Member Tom Richards

Approved 4-0 with Member Cruz away and Vice Chair Schmidt not yet arrived