



Oak Park Elementary School District 97

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TO: Dr. Albert G. Roberts, Superintendent of Schools

FROM: Therese M. O'Neill, Asst. Supt. Finance & Operations
Norman Lane, Director of Buildings & Grounds

SUBJECT: Whittier – Air Conditioning (Auditorium)

DATE: February 14, 2012

Given that Whittier School, along with Mann School, would be having the secured entrance work completed this summer, thus insuring that all 10 buildings in District 97 would have secured entrances, and recognizing that Whittier, along with Holmes & Irving Schools, do not have their auditoriums air-conditioned, it was decided to let a bid for this work. The primary reason for addressing Whittier at this time was to capitalize on closing the building for solely one summer rather than perhaps two years in a row. The associated cost for this work was not anticipated in the 5-year capital plan. It was estimated that the cost of this work would be approximately \$160,000.

An appropriate legal notice was published in the Oak Leaves on January 19, 2012 announcing a bid opening on February 2, 2012 (see attached legal notice). Apart from the legal notice, 12 contractors were invited to bid by DLA Architects (see attached bidders' list) and, on February 2, 2012, six bids were received, ranging from a low of \$176,800 to a high of \$240,800 (see bid tab summary). We have sufficient dollars in our most recent DSEB (Debt Service Extension Base) borrowing (\$5,200,000) to cover the cost of this work.

The District's architectural firm has recommended award of a contract to F. E. Moran in the total amount of \$176,800 recognizing that this firm is the low bidder and "has experience with similar projects". The Director of Buildings & Grounds and I are recommending support in awarding this bid to F.E. Moran.

This will return to the Board of Education for formal approval at its February 28, 2012 meeting.

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attachments (4)

Oak Park School District 97
970 Madison Street, Oak Park, IL 60302

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

The Board of Education, Oak Park School District 97, Administrative Offices at 970 Madison Street , Oak Park, IL 60302 will receive sealed bids for:

Whittier Elementary Auditorium AC Replacement Project
ATTN: Ms. Therese O'Neill, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations

This project consists of replacing the existing auditorium air handler unit with a new air handler unit. It will also include installation of a new condenser unit and energy recovery ventilator on the roof and associated electrical work.

The Bid Opening will be on Thursday, February 2, 2012 at 2:00 PM at the Administrative Office (see above). At this time the Bids will be publicly opened and read. Each Bid must be accompanied by a Bid Guarantee that shall be not less than 10 percent of the amount of the Base Bid, and at the option of the Bidder may be a Certified Check, Bank Draft, or a Bid Bond, secured by a Guarantee or Surety Company. Certified Check must be made payable to the order of Oak Park School District 97. The Contractor must pay the Prevailing Wage Rates for all work per Illinois Law.

There will be a pre-bid meeting on Wednesday, January 25, 2012 at 2:30 PM at Whittier Elementary School located at 715 North Harvey Ave, Oak Park, IL 60302.

It is the policy of Oak Park School District 97 to provide equal opportunity to all qualified businesses in the awarding of contracts and accordingly promotes the utilization of diversified businesses to the maximum extent feasible in any contract issued against the solicitation to bid.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities in the bidding procedure, or accept the Bid that, in its opinion, will serve the best interest of the Owner. Any such decision shall be considered final. The Owner reserves the right to set aside a Bid from a Contractor who, in the Owner's opinion, does not exhibit past experience equal to the size and scope of this project.

The bidder shall have a written sexual harassment policy in place in full compliance with Section 2-105 of the Illinois Human Rights Act.

A refundable deposit of \$50.00 is required for the bidding documents that will include 2 sets of drawings and 2 Project Manuals. Obtain Bidding Documents after 2:00 PM on Thursday, January 19, 2012. All interested bidders must contact DLA Architects, Ltd. (847) 742-4063 for bid document information.

Bidding documents will be available to **Pre-qualified General and Mechanical Contractors** only. Additional copies will be furnished at the cost of reproduction, postage and handling. All deposit checks for construction documents shall be written to DLA Architects, Ltd.



**Whittier Elementary Auditorium A/C Replacement for
 Oak Park School District 97
 Project No. 2011.51
 Bids Due Thursday, February 2, 2012 at 2:00 PM
 Bidders List
 1/27/2012**

Contractor	Bid Doc's P/U	Dep. Pd. \$50	Bid Doc's Ret.	Remarks
Advance Mechanical Systems, Inc. 425 E. Algonquin Rd Arlington Heights, IL 60005 Rick Morris rmorris@advmech.com 847-472-4940				
Amber Mechanical Contractors, Inc. 11950 S. Central Ave Alsip, IL 60803 Jim Major jmajor@ambermech.com 708-597-9700 / 708-597-5875 fax				
Columbia Sheet Metal Works, Inc. 5491 Northwest Hwy Chicago, IL 60630 Bill Hatch Bill@ColumbiaHVAC.com 773-774-9424 / 773-774-2511 fax				
F.E. Moran, Inc. 2265 Carlson Drive Northbrook, IL 60062 April Lempa / Charlotte Flesher a.lempe@femor.com 847-714-8182 / 630-968-3364 fax				
Happ Builders, Inc. 28 Le Baron St. Waukegan, IL 60085 Rod Fox Rod@happbuilders.com 847-775-8888 / 847-775-8889 fax				
Henry Bros. 9821 S. 78th Ave Hickory Hills, IL 60457 Mark Schafer mschafer@henrybros.com 708-430-5400 / 708-430-8259 fax				
Monaco Mechanical Inc. 1971 University Lane Lisle, IL 60532 Tom Gritzenbach tom@monacommechanical.com 630-810-8900 / 630-810-8914 fax				
Oak Brook Mechanical 961 S. Route 83 Elmhurst, IL 60126 John Sullivan / Tom Ward johns@omshvac.com 630-941-3555 / 630-941-0294 fax				
Premier Mechanical 111 Fairbank Street Addison, IL 60101 Jason Chan jason.chan@premier-mechanical-inc.com 630-543-3500 / 630-543-5400 fax				
Quality Control Systems 21750 Main Street Unit 12 Matteson, IL 60443 John Grady johng@qualitycontrolsys.com 708-747-0808 / 708-747-1820 fax				
Sigalos & Associates, Ltd. 915 Hawthorne Drive Itasca, IL 60143 John Sigalos johnsigalos@sigalos.com 630-285-1710 / 630-285-1727 fax				
Vengar Construction Corp 9908 W. 55th Street Countryside, IL 60525 Dave Gardstrom davevengar@gmail.com 630-469-7800 / 630-469-7911 fax				



**Whittier Elementary Auditorium A/C Replacement for
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 Bid Opening Thursday, February 2, 2012 at 2:00 p.m.**

BID TAB

Contractor	Bid Bond	Add.#1	Base Bid	Remarks
Amber Mechanical Contractors, Inc	✓	✓	\$202,800	
F.E. Moran, Inc.	✓	✓	\$176,800	
Monaco Mechanical, Inc.	✓	✓	\$208,000	
Oak Brook Mechanical	✓	✓	\$216,000	
Premier Mechanical	✓	✓	\$204,000	
Quality Control Systems	✓	✓	\$240,800	
Vengar Construction Corp.			No bid	



February 3, 2012

Ms. Therese O'Neill
Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations
Oak Park Public School District 97
970 Madison Street
Oak Park, IL 60302

Re: Whittier Elementary Auditorium A/C Replacement Project- Bid Recommendation
DLA Project No. 2011.51

Dear Therese

On January 19, 2012, an "Advertisement For Bid" for the subject project was published in the local newspapers. In addition, DLA Architects invited the following twelve contractors to bid: Advance Mechanical Systems, Inc.; Amber Mechanical Contractors, Inc.; Columbia Sheet Metal Works, Inc.; F.E. Moran, Inc.; Happ Builders, Inc.; Henry Bros.; Monaco Mechanical Inc.; Oak Brook Mechanical, Premier Mechanical, Quality Control Systems, Sigalos & Associates, Ltd.; Vengar Construction Corporation.

A pre-bid meeting for the project was held on January 25, 2012. The following six contractors attended the pre-bid meeting: Amber Mechanical Contractors, Inc.; Monaco Mechanical Inc.; Nickelson Industrial Services, Inc.; Premier Mechanical, Quality Control Systems, Vengar Construction Corporation.

On February 2, 2012, six bids were received for this project, all from qualified contractors. Enclosed is a copy of the bid tabulation form. The apparent low bidder for the project is F.E. Moran, Inc. with a base bid in the amount of \$176,800. The base bid amount includes a \$5,000 contingency allowance. Any unused portion of this contingency allowance would be returned to the District.

Based on the fact that F.E. Moran, Inc. is the low bidder and has experience with similar projects, we recommend award of the contract to F.E. Moran, Inc.

If you should have any questions or require additional information please let me know.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Louis Noto Jr.', written over a white background.

Louis Noto Jr., AIA, LEED AP BD+C
Principal

Enclosure

c Norman Lane, D-97
Hilarion Amaro, DLA Architects
June Tucker, F.E. Moran, Inc.