

JANUARY 4, 2026

Kain Smith
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RE: FPS MCKINLEY ALC RENOVATION

Kain,

This letter is in reference to the McKinley ALC Renovation and the bidding process. Plans were issued for bid on October 29, 2025 with a pre-bid meeting on site on November 12, 2025. We had good attendance at the pre-bid meeting with multiple contractors looking at the project.

On Tuesday, December 9th, at 2:00PM we opened bids and publicly read them aloud at the District Office. We received six prime bids in all, see attached bid tabulation sheet for reference. Of the six bids received, Knutson Construction proposed the lowest base bid of \$1,288,000.

ISG completed a bid verification process with Mr. Jared Mueller on December 10th. Based on that verification process, we believe Knutson Construction fully understands the project scope and schedule as provided in the bid plans and specifications and that their bid is a responsible bid.

Therefore, we recommend that the district award the Contract to Knutson Construction for the **base bid amount of \$1,288,000**.

Sincerely,

Kalob Hays,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kalob Hays", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Kalob Hays
Project Manager

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