

Bellingham School District No. 501  
Water Main Relocation and Early Grading Project  
Bid Date: September 23, 2021

#### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Bids Due: 11:00 a.m. Thursday, September 23, 2021.

Bids Open: 11:05 a.m., Thursday, September 23, 2021.

Sealed bids will be received by the Bellingham School District No. 501 **up to, but no later than 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2021**, at 1306 Dupont Street, Bellingham, Washington 98225 for:

#### WATER MAIN RELOCATION AND EARLY GRADING PROJECT

Briefly, the scope of the work includes:

- Water Main Relocation: Relocation of an existing public water main through the site to allow room for future building construction on site. Proposed work will remove 360 LF of existing 8" water main and will replace it with 473 LF of new 8" public water main within a 20' wide easement.
- Early Grading: Removal of approximately 4,800 CY of existing soil berm in preparation for future building project (Bellingham Public Schools New Office Building), and rough grading for future parking lot area and contractor staging area at future building project site.

**Time is of the essence for this Project.** Bidders and sub-bidders should be prepared to take whatever action is necessary to complete the Work in a timely manner, including but not limited to working overtime hours, all within the Contract Sum and at no additional cost to the Bellingham School District. Bidders and sub-bidders who are not prepared to take such actions to timely complete the Project should not bid this Project.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check, or bid bond with a State-licensed surety, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the base bid, made payable to the Bellingham School District. The successful bidder shall be required to furnish a one hundred percent (100%) Performance and Payment Bond, including Washington State sales tax. Such bonds shall be furnished by a surety company acceptable to Owner.

The Bellingham School District shall have the right to accept the lowest responsive bid from a statutorily "responsible" bidder, provided the bid has been submitted in accordance with the requirements of the Bidding Documents and does not exceed the funds available. The Owner shall have the right to waive informalities on a bid or bids and to accept bid(s), which, in the Owner's judgment is in the District's best interest. The Bellingham School District shall have the right to reject any and all bids for the project.

No bidder may withdraw its bid after the time set for the opening thereof, unless the award of contract is delayed for a period exceeding sixty (60) days.

A Pre-Bid Meeting will be not be held for this project.

Bid documents, addenda, bidders list, and plan holders list for this project are available through Builder's Exchange of Washington's on-line plan room for Bellingham School District. Free-of-charge access is provided to Prime Bidders, Subcontractors and Vendors by going to <http://bxwa.com> and clicking on "Posted Projects", "Public Works", and "Bellingham School District". Bidders are encouraged to "Register" in order to receive automatic email notification of future addenda and to be placed on the Bidders List. Contact Builders Exchange of Washington at (425) 258-1303 for assistance.

Bid and contract documents may also be viewed at:

RMC Architects, PLLC, 1223 Railroad Avenue, Bellingham, WA 98225, (360) 676 7733;  
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