February 9, 2022

AMENDMENT EIGHT (8)

RFP-004-C-2022 (P)- Purchase and Installation of a Public Address, Intercom and Bell System for the Juanita Gardine, Central High School and the Educational Complex, St. Croix, USVI

INSERT: **Questions and Answers**

Question: It was mentioned in addendum #4 that we can use the existing network infrastructure. They only refer to the fact that they will supply us with a data drop per switch? is the port gigabyte?

Answer: All ports are gigabyte in both districts. Vendor supplies patch panel, a non-managed switch for their connections, and VIDE provides connection over the network for functionality.

Questions: Regarding that the existing equipment is Mitel, can we use the Mitel desk Phones by integrating them into the new PA system for calls from the offices to the classrooms or for general page, or you want additional handset units for each office desk. Do you want each school to include the ready to connect phone booth integration facility?

Answer: Mitel solution is used at Charlotte Amalie St Thomas, all other sites is a build out of your design for two-way paging, strobe alerts, outdoor announcements and alerts.

Question: According to the site visit, this Friday we will receive site plans of each school with the approximate areas where the strobe alarm

horn and external speakers should be installed. Including the MDF, IDF and any other room where a fiber switch is installed. Are this Correct?

Answer: Yes, this information will be provided as communicated.

Question: The strobes/Horn you mention in the SOW that they are wireless, could you indicate if we can present it with IP base?

Answer: Yes, it would be preferred IP based.

Question: What color strobes/Horn do you prefer Blue, Amber, or White o need multi-strobe colors for implement risk levels?

Answer: Multi-color for internal decision on what color orientation will be used for each individual alerts.

Question: Can our switch be installed in the same rack as the existing switch? Will it be necessary to supply our UPS equipment for each switch?

Answer: You only need a surge protector and prevention for space will be allocated.

Question: To clarify, it was mentioned that from each switch it will be necessary to install pipes to each classroom to where the equipment will be. With the exception of where there is an Acoustic ceiling?

Answer: All cabling must be in conduit independent of what is at the site, end to end as per NEC770 cabling rules. Termination at your provided patch panel and switch provisioned.

Question: Could you clarify what will be the schedule for work in each school? Will they be nights, after schools close, weekends?

Answer: Coordination for work time will be confirmed once the vendor is selected.

Question: In which schools is the removal and disposition of PA and Telephone equipment requested that is not working? Will this be per linear feet including equipment?

Answer: Each school will be individually costed for removal of present system for evaluation and decision purposes.

Question: During the visit, a school could be identified as the STX Educational Complex, which has a visual digital clock in each classroom. It was noted that this would not be necessary. Do you want us to offer as an option to change the speakers that have this feature and some other like strobe? (ip speaker with text (eg digital clock) and optional flashing)

Answer: Yes, you can present options in design and cost related to what is present at the site. Each option must be clearly identified in the proposal.

Question: According to Addendum #4, question #8 (Are correctional clocks needed in every classroom), the clock is mentioned, could you clarify if the IP clock will be digital or analog? Is it possible as a unitary option?

Answer: Clocks are needed in each room as most paging systems includes this feature in the two-way systems. Digital is preferred by VIDE.

Question: We can provide the unit price as an option for the LED hallway text sign units? Or Speaker with Text for common areas?

Answer: This will have to be further explain for use in a two-way paging system build. VIDE don't remember requesting this additional feature but can be presented as an option for consideration.

Question: Will the proposal price to be presented be unitary per school for each article or will it be a lump sum?

Answer: Per School.

Question: Is it required with the proposal to present cutsheet of the correct equipment?

Answer: The proposal requires an equipment provision for your design implementation.

Question: After receiving the schools' drawings and the answers to these questions, will there be one last round of questions?

Answer: VIDE will welcome and further questions.

All other terms and conditions remain the same.
A copy of this amendment must be returned with your bid.