



DETERMINATION and FINDINGS
CANCELLATION OF AN INVITATION FOR BIDS AFTER OPENING

CAPTION: Temporary Staffing Support (Covid Facilitators)
AGENCY: District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS)
INVITATION FOR BID NO.: GAGA-2022-I-0032

FINDINGS

1. **Authorization:**

27 DCMR §§ 1530.3 (a)

2. **Minimum Need:**

The District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS), Office of Resource Strategy, Contracts and Acquisitions Division has a need to cancel Invitation for Bid (IFB) #GAGA-2022-I-0032, Temporary Staffing Support (Covid Facilitators).

4. **Facts That Justify A Determination Of Cancellation:**

- a. **Invitation for Bid (IFB) #GAGA-2022-I-0032** failed to express properly the agency's minimum needs. The bid did not reflect the proper estimated minimum number of hours needed.
- b. **Invitation for Bid (IFB) #GAGA-2022-I-0032** Based on a previous GAO finding it was stated that it generally considers cancellation after bid opening to be appropriate when an award under the solicitation would not serve the actual minimum needs of the government. Instrument & Controls Serv. Co., B-231934, Oct. 12, 1988, 88-2 CPD ¶ 345, aff'd, Instrument & Controls Serv. Co.—Recon., B-231934.2, Nov. 4, 1988, 88-2 CPD ¶ 441

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- c. **Invitation for Bid (IFB) #GAGA-2022-I-0032** Bid pricing was not published via the DCPS website. Although a bid opening was conducted, only the original lowest bidder and two DCPS employees were present for the bid opening. No other parties received bid pricing.

- d. Failure to cancel **Invitation for Bid (IFB) #GAGA-2022-I-0032** will impede government operations and may cause an adverse impact to services provided directly to the student population, and the teaching and learning process.

DETERMINATION

Based on the above findings, in accordance with 27 DCMR §§ 1530.3 (a), I hereby determine that the proposed pricing for the requirement is reasonable.

Laveta Hilton

Contracting Officer

12/14/2021

Date