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Subject: Letter of Clarification No. 1 to Invitation to Bid No. S50-C24371 to Fabricate and Install a Galvanized Steel Stairway for the General Services Department

To: All Prospective Bidders:

This letter of Clarification is being issued for the following reasons:

- **To extend the bid opening date, revise SECTION "B", Scope of Work/Technical Specifications and respond to questions posed by perspective bidders:**

NOTICE TO BIDDER:

- 1.) The bid opening date has changed from **10:30 A.M. September 20, 2012 to 10:30 A.M., September 27, 2012.**
- 2.) Remove page 9 of 30 and replace with the revised page 9 of 30 marked, *REVISED 9/17/2012* and see the attached Structural Drawing entitled, "New Exterior Stair Foundation Plan".
- 3.) The following questions and City of Houston responses are hereby incorporated and made a part of the Invitation to Bid:

Question No. 1 We like to recommend that the duration of this project be extended to 120 days in lieu of 60 days as in the bid documents.

Answer: The performance time has been extended to 120 calendar days. See the attached revised, page 9 of 30.

Question No. 2 On the new stairway side of the building where the stair foundation is located there are 2 each utility pipes that will be directly in line with the beams and slab placed for stairway support. What are these utility outlets and how does the City want to handle the disposition of these outlets.

Answer: See the attached structural drawing entitled, "New Exterior Stair Foundation Plan".

Note: No further questions will be accepted after the publication of this Letter of Clarification.

When issued, Letter(s) of Clarification shall automatically become a part of the solicitation documents and shall supersede any previous specification(s) and/or provision(s) in conflict with

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the Letter(s) of Clarification. All revisions, responses, and answers incorporated into the Letter(s) of Clarification are collaboratively from both the Strategic Purchasing Division and the applicable City Department(s). It is the responsibility of the bidder/respondent to ensure that it has obtained all such letter(s). By submitting a bid on this project, bidders/respondents shall be deemed to have received all Letter(s) of Clarification and to have incorporated them into this solicitation and resulting bid.

Furthermore, it is the responsibility of each Contractor to obtain any previous Letter of Clarification associated with this solicitation.

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Attachment: 1. Revised page 9 of 30.
2. Structural drawing entitled, "New Exterior Stair Foundation Plan".

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**SECTION B
SCOPE OF WORK**

1.0 General:

- 1.1 The Contractor shall be required to provide all equipment, materials, tools, labor, supervision and transportation necessary to fabricate and install a galvanized steel stairway at the Houston Fire Department's Training Academy, located at 8030 Braniff, Houston, TX, 77061. The scope of work consists of, but is not limited to: excavation of soft organic soil to establish a solid base and a depth of the concrete slab and sidewalk, grading soil to achieve the specified slope, elevation (Grade) or flatness of the area, installation of concrete piers and beams, fabrication and installation of a galvanized steel stairway, sidewalk installation and painting, as per the technical specifications written within the drawings herein.

Note 1: The list of stairway fabricators approved by the City's Code Enforcement Division can be viewed at the following website.
<https://purchasing.houstontx.gov/buyer/BidDocumentManager.aspx?id=C24371>

Note 2: Refer to the Project Specifications for details on materials testing requirements and Document 00800, General Conditions.

- 1.3 All work performed by the Contractor shall be in accordance with the latest City of Houston Building Codes and other related City of Houston Standard Construction Specifications. In the event more than one Code addresses a construction issue, the most stringent requirement shall prevail.

2.0 Performance Time:

- 2.1 ***The Contractor shall have 120 (One Hundred & Twenty) calendar days to order all supplies/equipment and complete all the work associated with and required by the contract after receipt of the written Notice to Proceed from the City.***

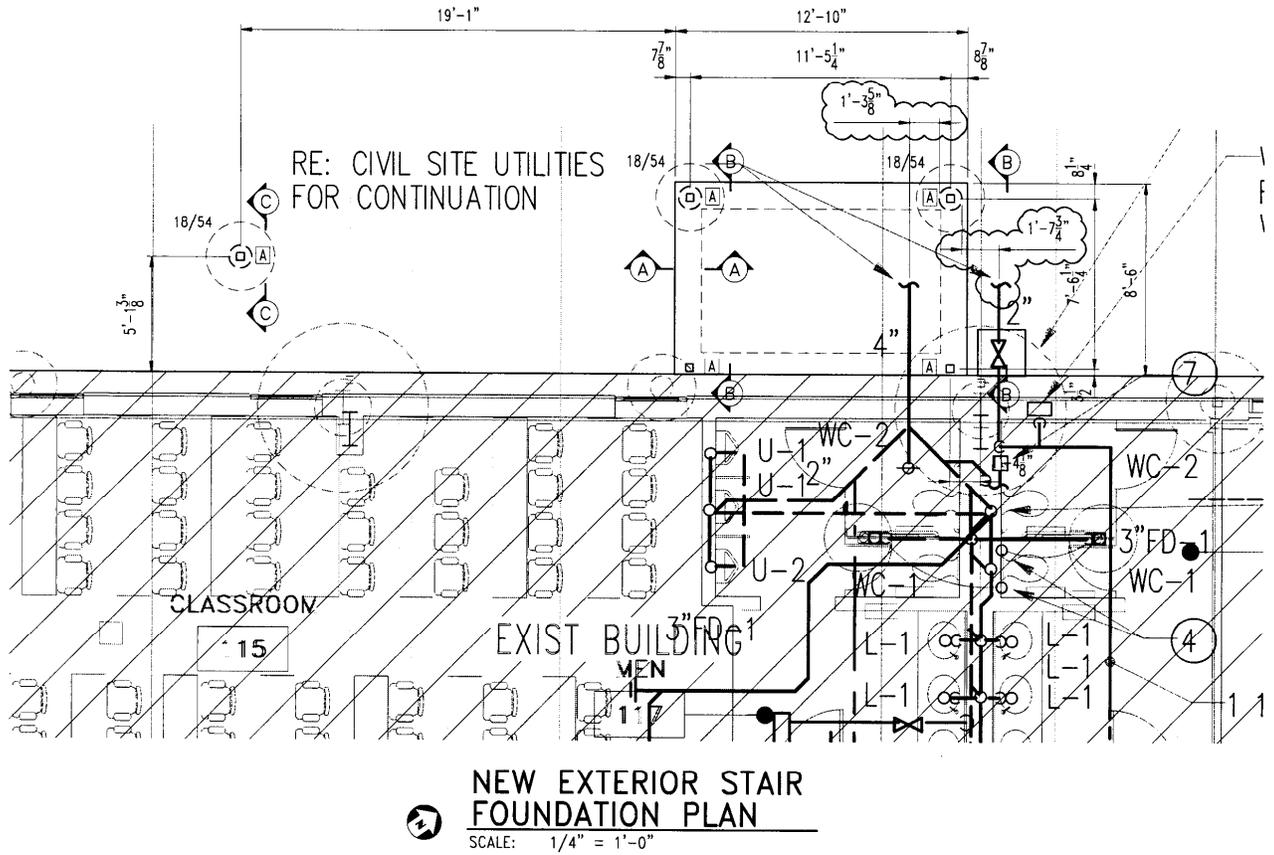
3.0 Warranty:

- 3.1 The Contractor shall warranty all materials, equipment and workmanship for **one-years** from the date of full acceptance of the work.

STRUCTURAL DRAWINGS AND TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

- 4.1 Details of the technical specifications are provided from pages 10 through page 20 of 30.

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A PDF version of the of the Structural Drawing titled New Exterior Stair Foundation Plan can be viewed at the following web link

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