

## INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids for the following project will be received by the Procurement Manager until 4:00 P.M., Eastern Time, October 1, 2025, and at that time publicly opened in City Hall Conference Room 436, 415 Broad Street, Kingsport, TN. All bids will be considered for award or rejection at a later date.

PROJECT: Secure Entry Upgrades for Cora Cox Academy

Plans and Specifications may be obtained in PDF format via email at no charge from the office of CainRashWest Architects, 130 Regional Park Drive, Kingsport, Tennessee 37660. Contact Katie Hill [katie@grcinc.com](mailto:katie@grcinc.com). A fee of \$500 shall be paid for each set of printed documents. The fees paid by the potential bidders shall become the property of CainRashWest Architects to cover administrative costs. The fee shall be in the form of a check made payable to CainRashWest Architects. General Contractors may, at their own expense, reproduce the contract documents for distribution to their proposed subcontractors. Subcontractors are urged to obtain plans from the General Contractors to whom they are bidding. Copies of the document will be available for review at the following locations:

Knoxville Builders Exchange  
300 Clark Street  
Knoxville, TN 37921

AGC Plan Room  
249 Neal Drive  
Blountville, TN 37617

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on September 17, 2025, at 10:00 A.M. on site at 520 Myrtle St., Kingsport, Tennessee 37660.

All questions regarding this project must be submitted in writing via email to the Project Architect: Katie Hill ([katie@grcinc.com](mailto:katie@grcinc.com)). All questions must be submitted no later than the end of business on September 19, 2025, and any addendum items needed will be issued no later than end of business on September 25, 2025.

All Minority and Women-Owned contractors are encouraged to participate.

A bid bond or certified check in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total of the bid is required. Certified checks should be made payable to City Treasurer, City of Kingsport. The successful bidder will be required to execute acceptable Performance and Payment Bonds in an amount equal to one hundred (100%) percent of the contract price.

All bidders must be licensed Contractors as required by the Contractors Licensing Act of 1994 (TCA Title 62, Chapter 6). No bid will be opened unless the outside of the sealed envelope containing the bid provides the following information: the Contractor's license number, the date of the license's expiration, and a quotation of that part of his classification applying to the bid; the Geothermal, HVAC, Masonry, Plumbing, Roofing, and Electrical subcontractor's license number, each date of the license expiration and that part of each classification applying to the bid if the value of work is \$25,000 or greater; (\$100,000.00 or greater for Masonry) if value of the subcontractor's work is less than \$25,000, (\$100,000.00 for Masonry), the bid envelope is to be indicated with the phrase "Subcontractor's bid is less than \$25,000" (\$100,000.00 for Masonry) after each appropriate heading. If no Subcontractor's are being used, the outside of the envelope must state, "No Subcontractors are being used on this project".

By submission of a signed bid, the bidder certifies total compliance with Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and all regulations promulgated thereunder.

No submitted bids may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids. All bids shall be signed, sealed and addressed to the Procurement Manager, City of Kingsport, 415 Broad St., Kingsport, TN 37660, and marked "Secure Entry Upgrades for Cora Cox Academy". The City, by its governing regulations, reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids received, to waive any informalities in bidding and to re-advertise.

PUB IT: 09/06/25

Chris McCartt  
City Manager