# CITY OF NEWTON PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

**CONTRACT FOR THE NEWTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS** 

# <u>PROJECT MANUAL:</u> SUPPLY AND DELIVER COPY PAPER TO NEWTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS INVITATION FOR BID #21-74

Bid Opening Date: June 03, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.

MAY 2021

**Ruthanne Fuller, Mayor** 

# CITY OF NEWTON PURCHASING DEPARTMENT INVITATION FOR BID #21-74

The City of Newton (City) invites sealed bids from Contractors for:

### SUPPLY & DELIVER COPY PAPER TO NEWTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Bids will be received until: **11:00 a.m., Thursday, June 03, 2021**\* at the Purchasing Department, Room 108, Newton City Hall, 1000 Commonwealth Avenue, Newton, MA 02459. Bids will not be accepted nor may submitted bids be corrected, modified or withdrawn after the deadline for bids. Following the deadline for bids, all bids received within the time specified will be publicly opened and read aloud.

\* To promote the health and safety of City workers and the public, Newton City Hall is still observing COVID restrictions. The City has adopted the following procedures that may affect your participation in this bid:

- 1. Bidders who wish to attend the Bid Opening can do so by telephone conference call. To attend, call 617.454.5555. When prompted, enter Participant Passcode 1220#. There will be no in person meetings.
- 2. Bids not received in Room 108 by mail or courier may be dropped off in a locked drop box at the top of the stairs to left of the main door to City Hall. The box will be checked at the scheduled submission deadline.
- 3. Bids results will be scanned and posted as soon as practicable after the opening. Copies of bids will be available on written request.

Contract Documents will be available on-line at <u>www.newtonma.gov/bids</u> or for pickup at Newton City Hall, Room 108, Purchasing Department, 1000 Commonwealth Avenue, Newton Centre, MA 02459 after **10:00 a.m., May 20, 2021.** 

There will be no charge for contract documents.

Bid surety is **not** required with this bid.

The City has determined that bids can be more accurately and efficiently evaluated if bidders provide item prices in a separate Excel item spreadsheet (Item Spreadsheet) issued with this Invitation For Bid (IFB). Bidders are to provide prices only in accordance with the terms of the IFB. Any bidder that makes changes to the Item Spreadsheet that modify the terms and conditions of the IFB as issued will be automatically disqualified.

All bids are to be submitted on the attached Excel Copy Paper Bid 21-74 (2021-22) Item Spreadsheet. Bidders are asked to submit prices for two (2) categories of copy paper supplies. Category A award will be made to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder **based on the Grand Total For Category A. The copy paper supplies listed in Category B will be awarded by line item.** If bidding on Category A, any bidder **not providing prices for all line items** within this category will be deemed non-responsive and may therefore be rejected. However, the City will accept bids for just one or all of the items in Category B. Accordingly, multiple awards may occur under this contract. **This will be a one-time purchase.**<sup>1</sup> **Contractors will receive a Purchase Order for the items that are awarded to them.** 

Award will be made to the lowest, responsible, and responsive bidder by line item.

All bids are subject to the provisions of M.G.L. c.30B. F.O.B. Destination inside designated department, Newton, MA.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> One time purchase and inside delivery for all items in Category B no later than August 20, 2021 and four (4) deliveries for Category A in August 2021, November 2021, February 2022 and May 2022 to the 23 Newton school locations listed at p. 23 below, unless otherwise authorized by the NPS Purchasing Department. The dollar value of a contract may not be increased by an amount more than twenty five percent (25%) of the contract total, and then only in accordance with M.G.L. c.30B, §13.

All bids shall be submitted as one (1) ORIGINAL and one (1) COPY.

All City bids are available on the City's web site at <u>www.newtonma.gov/bids</u>. It is the sole responsibility of the contractor downloading these bids to ensure they have received any and all addenda prior to the bid opening.

Addenda will be available online within the original bid document as well as a separate file. If you download bids from the internet site and would like to make it known that your company has done so, you may fax the Purchasing Department (617) 796-1227 or email to **purchasing@newtonma.gov** with your NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE, FAX AND INVITATION FOR BID NUMBER.

The City will reject any and all bids in accordance with the above referenced General Laws. In addition, the City reserves the right to waive minor informalities in any or all bids, or to reject any or all bids (in whole or in part) if it be in the public interest to do so.

CITY OF NEWTON

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Nicholas Read *Chief Procurement Officer* May 20, 2021

# CITY OF NEWTON DEPARTMENT OF PURCHASING

# **INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS**

### **ARTICLE 1 - BIDDER'S REPRESENTATION**

- 1.1 Each General Bidder (hereinafter called the "Bidder") by making a bid (hereinafter called "bid") represents that the Bidder has read and understands the Bidding Documents, Contract Forms, General Conditions, Conditions of the Contract, General Requirements and Project Specifications (collectively, referred to as the "Contract Documents") and the bid is made in accordance therewith.
- 1.2 Failure to so examine the Contract Documents will not relieve any Bidder from any obligation under the bid as submitted.

### **ARTICLE 2 - REQUEST FOR INTERPRETATION**

- 2.1 Bidders shall promptly notify the City of any ambiguity, inconsistency, or error which they may discover upon examination of the Contract Documents, the site, and local conditions.
- 2.2 Bidders requiring clarification or interpretation of the Contract Documents shall make a written request to the *Chief Procurement Officer*, at <u>purchasing@newtonma.gov</u> or via facsimile (617) 796-1227. The City will only answer such requests if received by **Friday**, **May 28**, **2021 at 12:00 noon**. In the event that the bid opening date is changed, the deadline for informational requests may also change as provided in an addendum issued by the City.
- 2.3 Interpretation, correction, or change in the Contract Documents will be made by addendum which will become part of the Contract Documents. The City will not be held accountable for any oral communication.
- 2.4 Addenda will be emailed to every individual or firm on record as having taken a set of Contract Documents. Addenda will be emailed to every individual or firm on record as having taken a set of Contract Documents. Receipt of all addenda issued must be acknowledged in the Bid Form. YOUR FAILURE TO ACKNOWLEDGE ALL ADDENDA MAY RESULT IN YOUR BID BEING REJECTED AS NON-RESPONSIVE.
- 2.5 Copies of addenda will be made available for inspection at the location listed in the Invitation for Bids where Contract Documents are on file, in addition to being available online at <u>www.newtonma.gov/bids</u>.
- 2.6 Bidders or proposers contacting ANY CITY EMPLOYEE regarding an Invitation for Bid (IFB) or a Request for Proposal (RFP), outside of the Purchasing Department, once an IFB or RFP has been released, may be disqualified from the procurement process.
- 2.7 Bidders downloading information off the internet web site are solely responsible for obtaining any addenda prior to the bid opening. If the bidder makes itself known to the Purchasing Department, at <u>purchasing@newtonma.gov</u> or via facsimile (617) 796-1227, it shall be placed on the bidder's list. Bidders must provide the Purchasing Department with their company's name, street address, city, state, zip, phone, fax, email address and **INVITATION FOR BID #21-74**.

### **ARTICLE 3 - MBE PARTICIPATION**

- 3.1 Notice is hereby given that the Mayor's Affirmative Action Plan for the City of Newton in effect at the time of this solicitation is applicable to all construction contracts in excess of \$10,000.00.
- 3.2 Notice is hereby given that the City of Newton Minority/Women Business Enterprise Plan and the Supplemental Equal Employment Opportunity Anti-Discrimination and Affirmative Action Program in effect at the time of this solicitation are applicable to all City contracts for goods and services in excess of \$50,000.00.
- 3.3 Copies of the Plans and Program referred to in Sections 3.1 and 3.2 are available at: www.newtonma.gov/purchasing.

### ARTICLE 4 - PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF BIDS

- 4.1 Bids shall be submitted on the "Bid Form #21-74" and the Item Spreadsheet, as appropriate, furnished by the City.
- 4.2 All entries on the Bid Form shall be made by typewriter or in ink.
- 4.3 Where so indicated on the Bid Form, sums shall be expressed in both words and figures. Where there is a discrepancy between the bid sum expressed in words and the bid sum expressed in figures, the words shall control.
- 4.4 The Bid, including the bid deposit shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope with the following plainly marked on the outside:
  - \* GENERAL BID FOR: **#21-74**
  - \* NAME OF PROJECT: Supply & Deliver Copy Paper To Newton Public Schools
  - \* BIDDER'S NAME, BUSINESS ADDRESS, AND PHONE NUMBER
- 4.5 Date and time for receipt of bids is set forth in the Invitation for Bids.
- 4.6 Timely delivery of a bid at the location designated shall be the full responsibility of the Bidder. In the event that Newton City Hall is closed on the date or at the time that bids are due, the date and time for receipt of bids shall be on the next business day following that the Newton City Hall and the Purchasing Department are open.
- 4.7 Bids shall be submitted with one (1) **original** and one (1) **copy.**
- 4.8 Massachusetts law requires all employees who work on Massachusetts public works construction sites must have no Less than 10 hours of OSHA-approved safety and health training. See M.G.L. c.30, §39M( c), M.G.L. c.30, §39S(a)(1), M.G.L. c.149, §44E(2) & M.G.L. c.149, §44F(2).
  - 1. This requirement will apply to any general bid or sub bid submitted.
  - 2. This law directs the Massachusetts Attorney General to restrain the award of construction contracts to any contractor who is in violation to this requirement and to restrain the performance of these contracts by non-complying contractors.
  - 3. The contractor and all subcontractors on this project must certify on the Bid Form compliance with the applicable requirement. Non-compliance with this law will disqualify the bidder.

### **ARTICLE 5 - ALTERNATES**

- 5.1 Each Bidder shall acknowledge alternates (if any) in Section C on the Bid Form.
- 5.2 In the event an alternate does not involve a change in the amount of the base bid, the Bidder shall so indicated by writing "No Change", or "N/C" or "0" in the space provided for that alternate.
- 5.3 Bidders shall enter on the Bid Form a single amount for each alternate which shall consist of the amount for work performed by the Contractor.
- 5.4 The low Bidder will be determined on the basis of the sum of the base bid and the accepted alternates.

### ARTICLE 6 - WITHDRAWAL OF BIDS

- 6.1 Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the time designated for receipt of bids on written or electronic request. Electronic withdrawal of bids must be confirmed over the Bidder's signature by written notice postmarked on or before the date and time set for receipt of bids.
- 6.2 Withdrawn bids may be resubmitted up to the time designated for the receipt of bids.

6.3 No bids may be withdrawn within sixty (60) days, Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded, after the opening of the bids.

### ARTICLE 7 - CONTRACT AWARD

- 7.1 The City is soliciting prices for an estimated 4,078 cartons of copier paper as specified in a separately issued Copy Paper Bid Item Spreadsheet. It is the City's intent to award one (1) contract to the responsive and responsible bidder submitting the lowest bid for Category A and one or more contacts contracts for Category B based on the lowest line item prices. Contracts will be awarded within sixty (60) days, Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays excluded, after the opening of bids.
- 7.2 The City reserves the right to waive minor informalities in or to reject any or all Bids if it be in the public interest to do so.
- 7.3 The City reserves the right to reject any bidder who has failed to pay any local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments, or any other municipal charge, unless the bidder has a pending abatement application or has entered into a payment agreement with the collector-treasurer.
- 7.4 As used herein, the term "lowest responsible and responsive Bidder" shall mean, where applicable, the Bidder (1) whose bid is the lowest of those bidders possessing the skill, ability and integrity necessary for the faithful performance of the work; (2) who has met all the requirements of the invitation for bids; (3) who shall certify that he is able to furnish labor that can work in harmony with all other elements of labor employed or to be employed in the work; (4) who, where the provisions of section eight B of chapter twenty-nine apply, shall have been determined to be qualified thereunder.
- 7.5 Subsequent to the award and within five (5) days, Saturday, Sundays and legal holidays excluded, after the prescribed forms are presented for signature, the successful Bidder shall execute and deliver to the City a contract in the form included in the Contract Documents in such number of counterparts as the City may require.
- 7.6 In the event that the City receives low bids in identical amount from two or more responsive and responsible Bidders, the City shall select the successful Bidder by a blind selection process chosen by the City such as flipping a coin or drawing names from a hat. The low Bidders who are under consideration will be invited to attend and observe the selection process.

### ARTICLE 8 - TAXES

- 8.1 The Bidder shall not include in this bid any tax imposed upon the sale or rental of tangible personal property in this Commonwealth, such as any and all building materials, supplies, services and equipment required to complete the work.
- 8.2 The City is exempt from payment of the Massachusetts Sales Tax, and the Bidder shall not include any sales tax on its bid. The City's exemption Number is E-046-001-404.

### ARTICLE 9 – PROPRIETARY SPECIFICATIONS

- 9.1 The City may have used a proprietary specification to describe the supply for which is soliciting bids. Such specifications are permitted under M.G.L. c. 30B, §14, provided that the Chief Procurement Officer has prepared a written statement that no other manner of description suffices and the justification therefor.
- 9.2 The required determination and justification have been duly prepared, and a copy may be requested in accordance with the Massachusetts Public Records Law, M.G.L. c. 66, §10.

### ARTICLE 10 – ENVIRONMENTALLY PREFERABLE PRODUCTS

10.1 The City encourages environmentally preferable products, i.e., products or services that have less negative or more positive effects on human health and the environment when compared with competing products or services that serve the same purpose. The city encourages bidders to describe, in the space provided on the Bid Form, the environmental attributes of its goods or services throughout the entire life-cycle, including manufacture, use and disposition. This information may include multiple environmental considerations such as natural resource use, recycled content, energy and water efficiency, greenhouse gas emissions, impact on climate change, packaging, hazardous material use, and health and safety impacts on workers, consumers and the community. If you do not currently assess such attributes, please indicate that. However you respond, the City will not take your information into account in evaluating bid proposals.

10.2 Bidders are encouraged also to provide information related to steps they take internally to (a) identify any positive or negative environmental attributes of products or services they offer, as specified above, and (b) insure that those attributes are being addressed as part of operations.

**END OF SECTION** 

# **CITY OF NEWTON**

### **DEPARTMENT OF PURCHASING**

## **BID FORM #21-74**

**A.** The undersigned proposes to furnish all labor, materials, tools, equipment, transportation and supervision required to perform all work in accordance with the Project Manual prepared by the City entitled:

### SUPPLY & DELIVER COPY PAPER FOR NEWTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

B. This bid includes addenda number(s) \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_,

**C.** The bidder's price(s) are set forth in the Excel COPY PAPER ITEM SPREADSHEET\* issued in conjunction with this IFB and incorporated herein by reference.

### COMPANY NAME \_\_\_\_\_

\* The Number of Units in the Item Spreadsheet is a best estimate based on prior use. The City may in fact purchase more or less than the Number of Units specified. Regardless of how many units are purchased, the Unit Cost shall be as quoted.

**D**. Prompt Payment Discounts. Bidders are encouraged to offer discounts in exchange for an expedited payment. Payments may be issued earlier than the general goal of within 30 days of receipt of the invoice only when in exchange for discounted prices. Discounts will not be considered in determining the lowest responsible bidder.

Prompt Payment Discount _	%	Days
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- **E**. The undersigned has completed and submits herewith the following documents:
  - Signed Bid Form, 2 pages
  - Copy Paper Item Bid Sheets, 2 pages
  - Bidder's Qualifications and References Form, 2 pages
  - Certificate of Non-Collusion, 1 page
  - Certification of Tax Compliance, 1 page
  - ICertificate of Foreign Corporation (if applicable), 1 page
  - Debarment Letter, 1 page
  - IRS Form W-9, 1 page
- **F.** The undersigned agrees that, if selected as general contractor, s/he will within five days (Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded) after presentation thereof by the City, execute a contract in accordance with the terms of this bid.

The undersigned hereby certifies that it will comply fully with all laws and regulations applicable to awards made subject to M.G.L. c.30B.

The undersigned further certifies under the penalties of perjury that this bid has been made and submitted in good faith and without collusion or fraud with any other person. As used in this section the word "person" shall mean any natural person, business, partnership, corporation, union, committee, club or other organization, entity, or group of individuals. The undersigned further certifies under penalty of perjury that the said undersigned is not presently debarred from public contracting or subcontracting in the Commonwealth under the provisions of M.G.L. c.29, §29F or any other applicable debarment provisions of any other chapter of the General Laws or any rule or regulation promulgated thereunder.

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	(Name of General Bio	lder)
	BY:	
	(Printed Name and Ti	tle of Signatory)
	(Business Address)	
	(City, State Zip)	
	(Telephone)	/(FAX)
	(E-mail Address)	

**NOTE:** If the bidder is a corporation, indicate state of incorporation under signature, and affix corporate seal; if a partnership, give full names and residential addresses of all partners; if an individual, give residential address if different from business address; and, if operating as a d/b/a give full legal identity. Attach additional pages as necessary.

### END OF SECTION

# **CITY OF NEWTON**

# **BIDDER'S QUALIFICATIONS AND REFERENCES FORM**

All questions must be answered, and the data given must be clear and comprehensive. Please type or print legibly. If necessary, add additional sheet for starred items. This information will be utilized by the City for purposes of determining bidder responsiveness and responsibility with regard to the requirements and specifications of the Contract.

FIRM NAME:	
WHEN ORGANIZED:	
INCORPORATED? YES NO DATE AND STATE OF INCORPORATION:	
IS YOUR BUSINESS A MBE?YESNO WBE?YESNO or MWBE?YES	
LIST ALL CONTRACTS CURRENTLY ON HAND, SHOWING CONTRACT AMOUNT AND ANTICIPATED DATE OF COMPLETION:	
HAVE YOU EVER FAILED TO COMPLETE A CONTRACT AWARDED TO YOU? YES IF YES, WHERE AND WHY?	_ ]
HAVE YOU EVER DEFAULTED ON A CONTRACT? YES NO IF YES, PROVIDE DETAILS.	
LIST YOUR VEHICLES/EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE FOR THIS CONTRACT:	
IN THE SPACES FOLLOWING, PROVIDE INFORMATION REGARDING CONTRACTS COMPLETE YOUR FIRM SIMILAR IN NATURE TO THE PROJECT BEING BID. A MINIMUM OF FOUR (4) CONTRACTS SHALL BE LISTED. PUBLICLY BID CONTRACTS ARE PREFERRED, BUT NOT MANDATORY.	D
PROJECT NAME:	
CITY/STATE:	

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PUBLICLY BID?YES	
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	on contained herein is complete and accurate and hereby authorize furnish any information requested by the City in verification of the 's qualifications and experience.
DATE: BIDDE	R:
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	TITLE:

**END OF SECTION** 

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# **CERTIFICATE OF NON-COLLUSION**

The undersigned certifies under penalties of perjury that this bid or proposal has been made and submitted in good faith and submitted in good faith and without collusion or fraud with any other person. As used in this certification, the word "person" shall mean any natural person, business, partnership, corporation, union, committee club, or other organization, entity, or group or individuals.

(Signature of individual)

Name of Business

# **CERTIFICATION OF TAX COMPLIANCE**

Pursuant to M.G.L. c.62C, §49A and requirements of the City, the undersigned acting on behalf of the Contractor certifies under the penalties of perjury that the Contractor is in compliance with all laws of the Commonwealth relating to taxes including payment of all local taxes, fees, assessments, betterments and any other local or municipal charges (unless the Contractor has a pending abatement application or has entered into a payment agreement with the entity to which such charges were owed), reporting of employees and contractors, and withholding and remitting child support.\*

**Signature of Individual (Mandatory)	*** Contractor's Social Security Number (Voluntary) or Federal Identification Number
Print Name:	Date:
OR	
Company Name (Corporation, Partnership, LLC, etc.)	
By:	
Print Name:	
Date:	

\* The provision in this Certification relating to child support applies only when the Contractor is an individual.

\*\* Approval of a contract or other agreement will not be granted until the City receives a signed copy of this Certification.

\*\*\* Your social security number may be furnished to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue to determine whether you have met tax filing or tax payment obligations. Providers who fail to correct their non-filing or delinquency will not have a contract or other agreement issued, renewed, or extended.

# **CERTIFICATE OF FOREIGN CORPORATION**

The undersigned hereby certifies that it has been duly established, organized, or chartered as a corporation under the laws of:

### (Jurisdiction)

The undersigned further certifies that it has complied with the requirements of M.G.L. c. 30, §39L (if applicable)

and with the requirements of M.G.L. c. 156D, §15.03 relative to the registration and operation of foreign

corporations within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Name of person signing proposal

Signature of person signing proposal

Name of Business (Please Print or Type)

Affix Corporate Seal here

City of Newton



Mayor Ruthanne Fuller

Date

Vendor

**Purchasing Department** 

Nicholas Read & Chief Procurement Officer 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton Centre, MA 02459-1449 purchasing@newtonma.gov Telephone (617) 796-1220 Fax: (617) 796-1227 TDD/TTY (617) 796-1089

Re: Debarment Letter for Invitation For Bid #21-74

As a potential vendor on the above contract, the City requires that you provide a debarment/suspension certification indicating that you are in compliance with the below Federal Executive Order. Certification can be done by completing and signing this form.

**Debarment:** 

Federal Executive Order (E.O.) 12549 "Debarment and Suspension" requires that all contractors receiving individual awards, using federal funds, and all sub-recipients certify that the organization and its principals are not debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded by any Federal department or agency from doing business with the Federal Government.

I hereby certify under pains and penalties of perjury that neither I nor any principal(s) of the Company identified below is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency.

		(Name)
		(Company)
		(Address) (Address)
PHONE	FAX	(11001055)
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If you have questions, please contact Nicholas Read, Chief Procurement Officer at (617) 796-1220.

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# CITY OF NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS PURCHASING DEPARTMENT GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. The right is reserved to reject any and all bids, to waive minor informalities, and to make awards as may be determined to be in the best interest of the City of Newton.
- 2. Prices quoted must include delivery to the City, as specified on the Work Order.
- 3. No charges will be allowed for packing, crating, freight, Express or cartage unless specifically stated and included in the bid.
- 4. The award to the successful bidder may be canceled if successful bidder shall fail to prosecute the work with promptness and diligence.
- 5. Time in connection with discount offered will be computed from the date of delivery to the City, as specified on Work Order, or from date correct invoice is received by the City, if the latter date is later than the date of delivery.
- 6. The successful bidder shall replace, repair or make good, without cost to the City, any defects or faults arising within one (1) year after date of acceptance of articles furnished hereunder (acceptance not to be unreasonably delayed) resulting from imperfect or defective work done or materials furnished by the Seller.
- 7. The Contractor shall indemnify and save harmless the City and all persons acting for on behalf of it from all suits and claims against them, or any of them, arising from or occasioned by the use of any material, equipment or apparatus, or any part thereof, which infringes or is alleged to infringe on any patent rights. In case such material, equipment or apparatus, or any part thereof, in any such suit is held to constitute infringement, the Contractor, within a reasonable time, will at its expense, and as the City may elect, replace such material, equipment or apparatus with non-infringing material, equipment or apparatus, or remove the material, equipment or apparatus, and refund the sums paid therefor.
- 8. The successful bidder shall comply with all applicable Federal State and Local laws and regulations.
- 9. Purchases made by the City are exempt from Federal excise taxes and bid prices must exclude any such taxes. Tax exemption certificates will be furnished upon request.
- 10. If so stated in the Invitation For Bid the successful bidder will be required to furnish a performance and/or a labor and material payment bond, in an amount, in a form and with a surety satisfactory to the City. The bidder shall be responsible for the cost of the bond(s).
- 11. If the Invitation for Bids requires bid surety, this surety shall be in the form of a cash, bid bond, cashier's check, treasurer's check, or certified check on a responsible bank, payable to the City of Newton, and must be filed with the original bid in the Office of the Purchasing Agent. Failure to do so will lead to rejection of bid. The bid surety will be returned to the successful bidder within seven (7) days execution of award, and approval by the City of performance and/or payment bond(s). The bid surety covers the City for damages when a bidder withdraws its bid after the bid submission date. Be advised that to the extent permitted by the law, the City will retain all bid deposits for withdrawn bids.
- 12. Verbal orders are not binding on the City and deliveries made or work done without formal Work Order or Contract are at the risk of the Contractor and may result in an unenforceable claim.
- 13. The Contractor shall agree to indemnify, defend and hold the City harmless from any and all claims arising out of the performance of this contract.
- 14. "Equal" An item equal to that named or described in the specifications of the contract may be furnished by the Contractor and the naming of any commercial name, trademark or other identification shall not be construed to exclude any item or manufacturer not mentioned by name or as limiting competition but shall establish a standard of equality only. An item shall be considered equal to the item so named or described if (1) it is at least equal in quality, durability, appearance, strength and design;

(2) it will perform at least equally the function imposed by the general design for the work being contracted for or the material being purchased; and (3) it conforms substantially, even with deviations, to the detailed requirements for the item in the specifications. The name and identification of all materials other than the one specifically named shall be submitted to the City in writing for approval, prior to purchase, use or fabrication of such items. Subject to the provisions of M.G.L., Ch. 30, Sec. 39J, approval shall be at the sole discretion of the City, shall be in writing to be effective, and the decision of the City shall be final. The City may require tests of all materials so submitted to establish quality standards at the Contractor's expense. All directions, specifications and recommendations by manufacturers for installation, handling, storing, adjustment and operation of their equipment shall be complied with; responsibility for proper performance shall continue to rest with the Contractor.

For the use of material other than the one specified, the Contractor shall assume the cost of and responsibility for satisfactorily accomplishing all changes in the work as shown. If no manufacturer is named, the Contractor shall submit the product he intends to use for approval of the City.

Except as otherwise provided for by the provisions of M.G.L., Ch. 30, Sec. 39J, the Contractor shall not have any right of appeal from the decision of the City condemning any materials furnished if the Contractor fails to obtain the approval for substitution under this clause. If any substitution is more costly, the Contractor shall pay for such costs."

- 15. Notice is hereby given that the City of Newton Minority/Women Business Enterprise Plan dated December 1999 is applicable to all City of Newton contracts for materials and supplies. A copy of this plan may be obtained from the Purchasing Department.
- 16. Right To Know:

Any Contractor who receives an order or orders resulting from this invitation agrees to submit a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for each toxic or hazardous substance or mixture containing such substance, pursuant to M.G.L., Ch. 111F, SS8, 9 and 10 and the regulations contained in 441 CMR SS 21.06 when deliveries are made. The Contractor agrees to deliver all containers properly labeled pursuant to M.G.L. Ch. 111F, SS 7 and the regulations contained in 441 CMR SS 21.05. Failure to submit an MSDS and/or label on each container will place the Contractor in noncompliance with the work order. Failure to furnish MSDSs and/or labels on each container may result in civil or criminal penalties, including bid debarment and action to prevent the Contractors furnishing substances or mixtures subject to Chapter 111F of the M.G.L. are cautioned to obtain and read the law and rules and regulations referred to above. Copies can be obtained from the State House Book Store, Secretary of State, State House, Room 117, Boston, MA 02133, (617-727-2834) for \$2.00 plus \$.65 postage.

#### 17. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The Contractor shall provide insurance coverage as listed below. This insurance shall be provided at the Contractor's expense and shall be in full force and effect during the full term of this Contract.

WORKER'S COMPENSATION Worker's Compensation:	Per M.G.L. c.149, §34 and c. 152 as amended.
COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY	
Personal Injury	\$500,000 each occurrence
	\$1,000,000 aggregate
Property Damage	\$500,000 each occurrence
	\$1,000,000 aggregate
VEHICLE LIABILITY	
Personal Injury	\$500,000 each person
	\$1,000,000 aggregate
Property Damage	\$300,000 each occurrence
	\$500,000 aggregate

The City shall be named as additional insureds on the Contractor's Liability Policies.

The Contractor shall not commence the work until proof of compliance with this has been furnished to the City by submitting one copy of a properly endorsed insurance certificate issued by a company authorized to write insurance in the Commonwealth. This certificate shall indicate that the contractual liability coverage is in force. The Contractor shall file the original and one certified copy of all policies with the City within ten (10) days after contract award. If the City is damaged by the Contractor's failure to maintain such insurance and to notify the City, then the Contractor shall be responsible for all reasonable costs attributable thereto.

Cancellation of any insurance required by this contract, whether by the insurer or the insured, shall not be valid unless written notice thereof is given by the party proposing cancellation to the other party and City at least thirty days prior to the effective date thereof, which shall be expressed in said notice.

### FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THESE TERMS AND CONDITIONS COULD RESULT IN THE CANCELLATION OF YOUR CONTRACT.

# **CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY - CORPORATE**

1.	I hereby certify that I am the Clerk/Secretary of	
	(insert full name of Corporation)	
2.	corporation, and that	
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3.	is the duly elected (insert the title of the officer in line 2)	
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4.	of said corporation, and that on	
	(insert a date that is <b>ON OR BEFORE</b> the date the officer signed the <u>contract and bonds</u> .)	
at a dul	aly authorized meeting of the Board of Directors of said corporation, at which all the directors were presen notice, it was voted that	t or waived
5.	the(insert <b>title</b> from line 3)	
	(insert <b>name</b> from line 2) (insert <b>title</b> from line 3)	
	of this corporation be and hereby is authorized to execute contracts and bonds in the name and on behal corporation, and affix its Corporate Seal thereto, and such execution of any contract of obligation in this corporation's name and on its behalf, with or without the Corporate Seal, shall be valid and binding up corporation; and that the above vote has not been amended or rescinded and remains in full force and eff the date set forth below.	s on this
6.	ATTEST: <i>AFFIX CORPORATE</i> (Signature of <b>Clerk or Secretary</b> )* <i>SEAL HERE</i>	
	(Signature of <b>Clerk or Secretary</b> )* SEAL HERE	
7.	Name:(Please print or type name in line 6)*	
	(Please print or type name in line 6)*	
8.	Date:	
	(insert a date that is <b>ON OR AFTER</b> the date the officer signed the <u>contract and bonds</u> .)	

\* The name and signature inserted in lines 6 & 7 must be that of the Clerk or Secretary of the corporation.

# **PRODUCT DESCRIPTION**

# NEWTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS COPY PAPER

### 1.0 Scope

- 1.1 Newton Public Schools is accepting bids for copy paper as described in this bid project manual. Copy paper must be multi-purposed – white 8 1/2" x 11" 20lb. with a minimum of 88% brightness for copiers, laser, inkjet, fax and offset presses. Cartons must contain ten (10) reams with 500 sheets per ream. Paper must be packaged with a hard surfaced, moisture resistant wrap. Category A paper must be delivered in four (4) installments with the last drop in May 2022. All bids must be submitted in the manner and form prescribed by the Invitation For Bids which control award of the contract(s). Bid award will be made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder(s).
- 1.2 Quantities specified are based on a census taken by Newton Public Schools. Newton Public Schools reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities to be ordered within the time limits set forth in the bid, but no increase shall exceed twenty five percent (25%) of the total contract price. Bids must remain in effect a minimum of sixty (60) days after the bid opening.
- 1.3 All prices shall be F.O.B. Destination <u>inside</u> delivery to 23 schools all located within the City of Newton.
- 2.0 Description and Quality
  - 2.1 When the bidder does not state the brand, it is understood that the paper offered is exactly as specified. Final decisions concerning the quality of items, other than those specifically designated, is to rest with the Newton Public Schools whose determination shall be final and conclusive. Vendors shall guarantee quality control of all goods at no additional cost to the City. Samples shall be furnished free-of-charge upon request and may be retained for future comparisons. Samples and literature must be provided within three (3) days after the request.
  - 2.2 Newton Public Schools encourages environmentally preferable products, i.e., products or services that have a lesser or reduced effect on human health and the environment when compared with competing products or services that serve the same purpose. This comparison may consider raw materials acquisition, production, manufacturing, packaging, distribution, reuse, operation, maintenance or disposal of the product or service: 1) emphasis on multiple environmental considerations such as recycled content, energy and water efficiency, renewable resource use and toxicity considerations rather than any single environmental feature; 2) evaluation of environmental impacts throughout the life cycle of the product which includes impacts during the manufacture, use and disposal of the product; and 3) recognition of cost and performance remain critical factors in all purchasing decisions. All products must be latex free and nut free.
  - 2.3 Material Safety Data Sheets, if required, must be forwarded to the Purchasing Department, Newton Public Schools, 100 Walnut Street, Newtonville, MA 02460 within thirty (30) days after the bid award. All products must be properly labeled with the product name, manufacturer's name, address and emergency telephone number, ingredients, cautions, warnings, hazard rating and first aid.

### 3.0 Delivery

3.1 All packages, cartons, or other containers must be clearly marked with a) the school designation, b) a packing slip with contents or item number from specifications, c) the number of boxes on shipment, d) the purchase order number and e) the vendor's name and order number.

- 3.2 Deliveries shall be made to approximately twenty-three (23) schools as provided in the Copy Paper Delivery & Distribution Schedule, below. All deliveries shall be made to the inside of the buildings and contractors are cautioned to notify their shipping contractors that adequate assistance must be provided at the point of delivery. No sidewalk deliveries will be accepted.
- 3.3 Deliveries shall be made between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Forty-eight (48) hours' notice of delivery is required by contacting Facilities at 617-559-9005. Newton Public Schools shall not be responsible for deliveries that cannot be made because notice was not received in time.
- 3.4 Deliveries are to be completed within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of the order unless otherwise indicated or notified by the Contractor and approved in writing by the Coordinator of Purchasing, Newton Public Schools. All items are to be a one time delivery.

### 4.0 Payment

- 4.1 Invoices shall be billed to Accounts Payable, Newton Public Schools, 100 Walnut Street, Newtonville, Massachusetts 02460.
- 4.2 Invoices must be in duplicate, by department, including the a) purchase order number, b) department name, c) item number, d) quantities, e) description, f) unit price and g) totals.

**END OF SECTION** 

# FY 2022 Copy Paper Delivery Locations

### 2020-2021 School Year Newton Public Schools Education Center 100 Walnut Street, Newtonville, MA 02460 Purchasing: 617-559-9050 Facilities: 617-559-9000 Ed Center Senior Custodians – Brian Robidoux (day) / Tom Martyn (night) 781-514-0627 cell

School	Address	Administrative Assistant	Senior Day Custodian
<b>NECP / Preschool</b>	150 Jackson Road / 15 Walnut Park	Cynthia Curtis	Nick Stearns
<b>617-559-6050</b> fax: 559-6001	Newton, MA 02458	6862	6867 / 781-514-0662
Angier Elementary	1697 Beacon Street	Claudia Rossi	<b>Jose Filomeno</b>
617-559-9300 fax: 244-4161	Waban, MA 02468	9302	9311 / 781-514-0726
Bowen Elementary	280 Cypress Street	Deborah Megrian	<b>Mark Pagliaro</b>
617-559-9330 fax: 552-7363	Newton Ctr., MA 02459	9332	9342 / 781-514-0682
Burr Elementary	171 Pine Street	Maura Albano	<b>Derek Hunt</b>
617-559-9360 fax: 552-5562	Auburndale, MA 02466	9362	9366 / 781-514-0762
<b>Cabot Elementary</b>	229 Cabot Street	Monika Nixon	<b>Ron Luce</b>
<b>617-559-9400</b> fax: 552-5584	Newtonville, MA 02460	9402	9413 / 781-514-0671
Countryside Elementary	191 Dedham St.	Dolly Wallace	<b>Mark Repta</b>
617-559-9450 fax: 552-5583	Newton Highlands, MA 02461	9450	9458 / 781-514-0774
Franklin Elementary	125 Derby Street	Michael Farrell	<b>David Chadwick</b>
617-559-9500 fax: 552-5521	West Newton, MA 02465	9482	9486 / 781-514-0669
Horace Mann Elementary	225 Nevada Street	Rose Mariano	<b>Kathy Hylander</b>
617-559-9510 fax: 559-2004	Newtonville, MA 02460	9512	9516 / 781-514-0760
Lincoln-Eliot Elementary	191 Pearl Street	Jena Rossi	<b>Geary Chalmus</b>
617-559-9540 fax: 552-5558	Newton, MA 02458	9542	9546 / 781-514-0656
Mason-Rice Elementary	149 Pleasant St.	Monica Carbone	Leo Curry
617-559-9570 fax: 552-7315	Newton Centre, MA 02459	9572	9579 / 781-514-0718
Memorial-Spaulding Elem.	250 Brookline Street	Kim Rutherford	Jesse Brackett
617-559-9600 fax: 552-7944	Newton Centre, MA 02459	9602	9607 / 781-514-0665
<b>Peirce Elementary</b>	170 Temple St.	Patricia Carey	<b>Rich Riordan</b>
<b>617-559-9630</b> fax: 552-7318	West Newton, MA 02465	9632	9637 / 781-514-0727
<b>Underwood Elementary</b>	101 Vernon St.	Lacey Rochford	<b>Charlie Tarabelli</b>
<b>617-559-9660</b> fax: 552-5552	Newton Corner, MA 02458	9662	9667 / 781-514-0714
Ward Elementary	10 Dolphin Rd.	Susan Tempesta	Kevin Cassidy
617-559-6450 fax: 552-5563	Newton Centre, MA 02459	6452	6454 / 781-514-0759
Williams Elementary	141 Grove Street	Jennifer Newberg	<b>Mike Frazier</b>
617-559-6480 fax: 559-2013	Auburndale, MA 02466	6482	6485 / 781-514-0664
<b>Zervas Elementary</b>	30 Beethoven Ave	Joanne Minassian	<b>Ed Boles</b>
<b>617-559-6750</b> fax: 552-5546	Waban, MA 02468	6752	6757 / 781-514-0763
Bigelow Middle	42 Vernon Street	Heather MacDonald	<b>Tim Curry</b>
617-559-6800 fax: 552-7752	Newton, MA 02458	6813	6832 / 781-514-0674
Brown Middle 617-559-6900 fax: 552-5541	125 Meadowbrook Rd. Newton Centre, MA 02459 21 Minot Place	Linda DePasquale 6902	Stephen Perruzzi         6910 / 781-514-0638           John Convolti
Day Middle	Newtonville, MA 02460	Maria Vitone	John Carvelli
617-559-9100 fax: 559-9103		9126	9136 / 781-514-0628
Oak Hill Middle		Catrina Walsh	Bob Fleming
617-559-9200 fax: 552-5547	Newton Centre, MA 02459	9200	9216 / 781-514-0688
Newton North High	457 Walnut Street	Suzanne Spirito	<b>Tim Keefe</b>
617-559-6200 fax: 559-6204	Newton, MA 02460	6203	6425 / 781-514-0641
<b>Newton South High</b>	140 Brandeis Road	Laura Gaspari	<b>Dave Murphy</b>
617-559-6500 fax: 559-6701	Newton Centre, MA 02459	6512	6523 / 781-514-0719

# FY 2020/21 COPY PAPER ITEM SHEETS on Excel Item Spreadsheet Issued Herewith

Listed quantities are estimates only. The City makes no guarantees as to the amount of supplies actually procured. Prices bid shall include inside delivery as indicated within the scope of this bid. **Please include manufacturer brand and product/model # and product specs in last column.** 

### IMPORTANT: Award will be made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidders.

\*If an alternate item is being proposed, the bidder shall so indicate by providing a full description of the proposed substitute as well as provide data sheets, catalog cuts, performance and test data, and any other information which will support or otherwise prove equality; such proof rests entirely with the bidder. If the alternate product information (listed above) is not provided at the time of the bid the bidder may be deemed non responsive.

# Deliveries to all 23 schools is required within 30 calendar days upon receipt of the awarded Purchase Order unless otherwise specified.

Signature:		Date:		
Name:	Title:			
Company:	Telephone:	Fax:		
Address:	City:	State:Zip:		
E-mail				