

REPORT OF THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

JANUARY 30, 2023

A. REJECTION OF BID FOR GARFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HVAC & IAQ PROJECT

WHEREAS, a recommendation was made by the Superintendent of Schools to the Kearny Board of Education ("Board") to seek a contract for construction services for the IAQ & Air Conditioning Upgrade at Garfield School (hereinafter "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Project was properly advertised to prospective bidders in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4; and

WHEREAS, on January 12, 2023 the Board received the following bids from potential bidders at 11:00 a.m. in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1, et seq.;

Bidder	Base Bid
Reiner Group, Inc.	\$3,999,600
AMCO Enterprises, Inc.	\$4,192,000
AVCO Construction, Inc.	\$4,334,000
Preferred Mechanical Inc.	\$4,521,000

WHEREAS, the documents provided by apparent low-bidder, Reiner Group, Inc., fail to include an appropriate and acceptable Consent of Surety; and

WHEREAS, the documents provided by apparent low-bidder, Reiner Group, Inc., also fail to identify a structural steel subcontractor, which is a trade required by the Project's specifications;

WHEREAS, based on the above, the bid submitted by apparent low-bidder, Reiner Group, Inc., contains material, non-waivable defects; and

WHEREAS, upon review of the bid submitted by the apparent second low bidder, AMCO Enterprises, Inc., together with the bid specifications and N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq., and in consultation with the Design Professionals for the Project, the Board has determined that the bid submitted by AMCO Enterprises, Inc. is the lowest responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, the bid submitted by AMCO Enterprises, Inc. exceeds the Board budget for the Project, and

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board hereby rejects the bid submitted by Reiner Group, Inc. as unresponsive; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the remaining bids be rejected as they exceed the Board's budget for the Project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board authorizes the rebid of the Project.

B. REJECTION OF BID FOR SCHUYLER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HVAC & IAQ PROJECT

WHEREAS, a recommendation was made by the Superintendent of Schools to the Kearny Board of Education ("Board") to seek a contract for construction services for the IAQ & Air Conditioning Upgrade at Schuyler School (hereinafter "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Project was properly advertised to prospective bidders in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-4; and

WHEREAS, on January 12, 2023 the Board received the following bids from potential bidders at 11:00 a.m. in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1, et seq.;

Bidder	Base Bid
Reiner Group, Inc.	\$2,520,000
AMCO Enterprises, Inc.	\$2,734,000
Preferred Mechanical Inc.	\$2,757,000
AVCO Construction, Inc.	\$2,782,000

WHEREAS, the documents provided by apparent low-bidder, Reiner Group, Inc., fail to include an appropriate and acceptable Consent of Surety signed by the surety; and

WHEREAS, based on the above, the bid submitted by apparent low-bidder, Reiner Group, Inc., contains a material, non-waivable defect; and

WHEREAS, upon review of the bid submitted by the apparent second low bidder, AMCO Enterprises, Inc., together with the bid specifications and N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et seq., and in consultation with the Design Professionals for the Project, the Board has determined that the bid submitted by AMCO Enterprises, Inc. is the lowest responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, the bid submitted by AMCO Enterprises, Inc. exceeds the Board budget for the Project, and

NOW, THEREFORE:

*BE IT RESOLVED, the Board hereby rejects the bid submitted by Reiner Group, Inc. as unresponsive; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the remaining bids be rejected as they exceed the Board's budget for the Project; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board authorizes the rebid of the Project.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Juan Faidine". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "J".

*Business Administrator/  
Board Secretary*