

**Government of the District of Columbia
Office of the Chief Financial Officer
DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
TO
REJECT ALL PROPOSALS AND
CANCEL SOLICITATION**

AGENCY: Office of Budget and Planning (OBP)
SOLICITATION NO.: CFOPD-21-R-008
CAPTION: Budget Book Printing

FINDINGS

1. AUTHORIZATION:

D.C. Official Code Section 2-354.14; 27 DCMR Sections 1644; PPRA Section 414

2. MINIMUM NEED:

The Office of Budget and Planning (OBP) within the Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO) for the Government of the District of Columbia (District) has a minimum need for a Contractor to provide printing services to produce the Mayor's Budget Book to the Council of the District of Columbia and the District's Budget Book to the Congress of the United States.

3. ESTIMATED FAIR AND REASONABLE COST:

The estimated fair and reasonable cost of the services for the base period is \$100,000.00 based on the independent government estimate.

4. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY NEED TO REJECT ALL BIDS/PROPOSALS AND CANCEL SOLICITATION:

A. The OCFO Office of Contracts issued Request for Proposal (RFP), No. CFOPD-21-R-008, for Budget Book Printing, on behalf of OBP on November 30, 2020. The solicitation was publicly advertised in an open market competition. The District sought to award a single firm fixed price contract to the responsive and responsible proposer whose offer is most advantageous to the District (i.e. represents the "Best Value"), based upon the evaluation criteria specified in the solicitation.

B. Two amendments to the solicitation were issued:

a. Amendment No. 1 to respond to vendor inquiries.

- b. Amendment No. 2 to extend the due date until December 18, 2020.
- C. On December 18, 2020, two proposals were received.
- D. The proposal from Balmar dba HPB:
 - a. Failed to include a price proposal in accordance with Section L.3.3 of the solicitation.
- E. The proposal from SyDar of DC, LLC:
 - a. Failed to respond to evaluation factors for Section L3.2.II “Section Technical Expertise” and Section L.3.2.III “Section: Experience and Past Performance” as required in Section M.3.
 - b. Failed to include the completed and signed Representations, Certifications, and Acknowledgements of Section K as required in Section L.4 of the solicitation,
- F. As a result, the proposals from Balmar dba HPB and SyDar of DC, LLC failed to conform in material respect to the solicitation and accordingly is ineligible for consideration of award.
- G. Therefore, it is in the best interest of the District to reject the proposals from Balmar dba HPB and SyDar of DC, LLC as non-responsive in accordance with the solicitation.
- H. Therefore, with due regard to the nature of the goods and services to be acquired, it is in the best interest of the District to reject all proposals, cancel the solicitation, and re-solicit including the list of potential sources to obtain competition to the maximum extent practicable.

5. CERTIFICATION BY CONTRACTING OFFICER

I hereby certify that the above findings are correct and complete.

December 21, 2020
Date



Anthony A. Stover, CPPO
Contracting Officer

DETERMINATION

Based on the findings and in accordance with the above referenced authorization, it is hereby determined that it is within the best interest of the District to reject all proposals and cancel the solicitation.

December 21, 2020

Date



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Director