

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES



**DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS  
FOR  
SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT**

**Purchasing Agency:** Department of General Services  
**User Agency:** District of Columbia Public Schools  
**Caption:** Plummer Elementary School Cooking Trailer  
**Proposed Contractor:** Bennett Group, Inc.

**FINDINGS**

**1. AUTHORIZATION:**

D.C. Code Section 2-354.04 and DCMR 27, Section 4718.

**2. MINIMUM NEED:**

The Department of General Services (the “Department” or “DGS”) has an immediate need to engage the services of Bennett Group, Inc. (“Contractor”) for the Plummer Elementary School Cooking Trailer at 4601 Texas Ave SE, Washington, DC 20019.

**3. ESTIMATED FAIR AND REASONABLE PRICE:**

The estimated fair and reasonable price to provide the work for Plummer Elementary School Cooking Trailer is approximately **\$25,000.00**.

**4. FACTS THAT JUSTIFY A SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT:**

DGS, as an agency of the District of Columbia government, is responsible for constructing, sustaining, and maintaining all D.C. Public Schools (“DCPS”) facilities. This contract is to provide Kitchen Electrical Upgrades, Handicap lifts, and Ramp at Plummer Elementary School.

The scope of the Project generally includes, and the Contractor shall:

- a) Transport the trailer from Plummer ES to Brown Education Campus.
- b) Provide upgrades to the kitchen electrical panels and outlets. As well as an interior ADA lift into the Cafeteria and an exterior ADA ramp into the Cafeteria.

Bennett Group, Inc. was engaged by the Department under a previous Basic Ordering Agreement No. DCAM-17-CS-0033J (“BOA”) to perform the design-build activities for Plummer Elementary School Cooking Trailer. Subsequently, DCPS has determined that

the installation of a kitchen cooking trailer is not required at Plummer. And that certain Kitchen and Cafeteria improvements are better suited for the school's needs

Bennett Group, Inc. is a resident-owned CBE and SBE, and their knowledge and familiarity with DGS schools will translate to a faster operative evaluation of the Plummer Elementary School Cooking Trailer project. In addition, Bennett Group, Inc. will be able to provide remediation recommendations that are in line with DGS expectations.

Based on the above, it is in the best interest of the District to allow Bennett Group, Inc. to complete the Plummer Elementary School Cooking Trailer.

**5. CERTIFICATION BY THE PROGRAM MANAGER OF CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES:**

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

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Date

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Kerric T. Baird  
Program Manager  
Capital Construction Services

**6. CERTIFICATION BY THE CONTRACTING OFFICER:**

I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the use of the sole source procurement method under the cited authority. I certify that the notice of intent to award a sole source procurement action was published in accordance with DCMR 27 section 4718 and that no response was received. I recommend that the Department of General Services, Chief Procurement Officer approve the use of the sole source procurement method for this proposed procurement action.

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Date

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Eric Njonjo  
Contracting Officer

**7. CERTIFICATION BY THE CHIEF OF CONTRACTS AND PROCUREMENT**

Based on the above findings and in accordance with the cited authority, I hereby determine that it is not feasible or practical to invoke the competitive solicitation process under either Section 402 or 403 of the District of Columbia Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010 (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code § 2-354.02 or 2-354.03). Accordingly, I determine that the District is justified in using the sole source method of procurement.

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Date

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George G. Lewis, CPPO  
Chief Procurement Officer  
Chief, Contracts and Procurement