The Procurement Division of Knox County, Tennessee will receive sealed bids for the provision of Floor Tile Installation Services as specified herein. Bids must be received by 2:00 p.m. on October 8, 2020. Late bids will be neither considered nor returned.

Please Deliver Bids to:

Bid Number 2988
Knox County Procurement Division
Suite 100, 1000 North Central Street
Knoxville, Tennessee 37917

The Bid Envelope must show the Bid Number, Bid Name and Bid Opening Date.

SECTION I  GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1.1 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Knox County wants requests for additional information routed to Donnie Fawver, CPPB, at 865.215.5756. Questions may be faxed to 865.215.5778 or emailed to donnie.fawver@knoxcounty.org. Information about the Knox County Procurement Division may be obtained on the Internet at www.knoxcounty.org/procurement.

1.2 ACCEPTANCE: Vendors shall hold their price firm and subject to acceptance by Knox County for a period of sixty (60) business days from the date of the bid opening, unless otherwise indicated in their bid.

1.3 ALTERNATIVE BIDS: Knox County will not accept alternate bids (those not equal to specifications) unless authorized by the Invitation for Bid.

1.4 AUDIT HOTLINE: Knox County has established an Audit Hotline to report potential fraud and waste. To report potential fraud, waste or abuse, please call 1.866.858.4443 (toll-free). You can also file a report online by accessing http://www.knoxcounty.org/hotline/index.php.

Vendors are hereby cautioned that this Audit Hotline does not replace the Award Protest Procedures found in Section VI, Item M of the Knox County Procurement Regulations.

1.5 AWARD: Award will be made to the most responsive, responsible bidder(s) meeting specifications, who presents the product or service that is in the best interest of Knox County. Knox County reserves the right to award this bid on, an “all or none” basis, or by a multiple award, whichever is in the best interest of the County. Knox County reserves the right to not make an award.

1.6 BID DELIVERY: Knox County requires bidders, when hand delivering bids, to time and date stamp the envelope before depositing it in the bid box. Knox County will not be responsible for any lost or misdirected mail sent by common carrier. Knox County will not be responsible for bids delivered to other addresses other than the one listed at the top of this solicitation. The time clock in the Procurement Division shall serve as the official record of time. Knox County shall not be responsible for technical difficulties experienced by vendors trying to register electronically less than twenty-four (24) hour prior to the bid opening time.

Solicitations must be in a sealed envelope/box prior to entering the Procurement Division office. Procurement Division personnel are not allowed to see the submittal nor assist in placing documents in an envelope/box. Additionally, the Procurement Division is not responsible for providing materials (e.g. envelopes, boxes, tape) for submittals.

1.7 BID EXPENSES: Expenses for developing the bids are entirely the responsibility of the bidder and shall not be chargeable in any manner to Knox County.

1.8 BUSINESS OUTREACH PROGRAM: Knox County has established a Business Outreach Program, which has the responsibility of increasing opportunity for small, minority and women owned businesses. This is being accomplished through community education programs, policy edification, active recruitment of interested businesses and process re-engineering. Knox County is committed to ensuring full and equitable participation for all disadvantaged businesses. Knox County welcomes submittals from those disadvantaged businesses that have an interest in providing goods and/or services listed herein. In addition, Knox County strongly encourages the inclusion of disadvantaged businesses by non-disadvantaged Contractors who may wish to partner or subcontract portions of this agreement in order to accomplish the successful delivery of goods and/or services.
If you are a small, minority or woman owned business and would like additional information about our Business Outreach Program please contact:

Diane Woods, Business Outreach Administrator  
Knox County Procurement  
Telephone: 865.215.5760  
Fax: 865.215.5778  
Email: diane.woods@knoxcounty.org

1.9 CLOSURES: During periods of closure due to unforeseen circumstances in Knox County or closures at the direction of the Knox County Mayor, the Procurement Division will enact the following procedures in regards to solicitations and weather delays:

- If the Mayor closes the Administrative offices prior to the time set for solicitation opening of any business day, all solicitations due that same day will be moved to the next operational business day.
- Other unforeseen circumstances shall be at the sole discretion of the Procurement Director.
- Knox County shall not be liable for any commercial carrier’s decision regarding deliveries during any unforeseen circumstances.

1.10 CONFLICT OF INTEREST: Vendors must have read and complied with the “Non-Conflict of Interest” statement provided in the vendor registration process prior to the opening of this solicitation.

1.11 COOPERATIVE PURCHASING: Vendors are to indicate whether it is permissible for other governments in Tennessee to purchase these items or services at the same price. Freight charges can be adjusted to reflect differences in delivery costs. Indicate any additional delivery charges or minimum orders for purchases by other entities.

1.12 DECLARATIVE STATEMENTS: Any statement or words (e.g.: must, shall, will) are declarative statements and the vendor must comply with the condition. Failure to comply with any such condition may result in the bid being non-responsive and disqualified.

1.13 DUPLICATE COPIES: Knox County requires that bids being submitted by hand be one (1) marked original and one (1) exact copy.

1.14 ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION OF BIDS: Knox County’s Procurement Division will accept, and strongly encourages, electronically transmitted bids through the County’s On-Line Purchasing System. Facsimile and email submission are strictly prohibited.

1.15 HOW TO DO BUSINESS: Knox County utilizes a web-based purchasing software system, “Knox Procurement On-Line.” The system provides our clients (vendors, county departments and the citizens of Knox County) with a more enhanced and end-user friendly means of accessing our services. The system allows for on-line vendor registration and maintenance, electronic receipt of purchase orders, on-line retrieval and submittal of quotes, bids and proposals for our vendor-clients and on-line requisitioning and receiving for our county departments. For the County to maximize its investment and minimize the cost associated with office operations we need your help. When doing business with Knox County we are urging you to please go to our website at www.knoxcounty.org/Procurement, register as a vendor in our on-line Procurement system, “Knox Procurement On-Line,” if you have not done so and whenever possible to conduct your business with the County through this site. If you have any questions please contact the Procurement Division Representative listed in Section 1.1 of this document.

1.16 MULTIPLE BIDS: Knox County will consider multiple bids that meet specifications.

1.17 NON-COLLUSION: Vendors, by submitting a signed bid or proposal, certify that the accompanying bid or proposal is not the result of, or affected by, any unlawful act of collusion with any other person or company engaged in the same line of business or commerce, or any other fraudulent act punishable under Tennessee or United States law.

1.18 NON-DISCRIMINATION: Vendors, during the performance of this Contract, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, sex, national origin or disability except where religion, sex, national origin or disability is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the contractor.
1.19 **PAYMENT METHOD:** Knox County utilizes two (2) methods of placing orders for products. The first is the use of Purchase Orders. These Purchase Orders will be issued from Knox County Procurement Division via the method selected by the vendor during registration. The Purchase Order will detail the quantity, specific items(s) and the contracted price for each item.

The second method is the use of the Knox County Credit Card (VISA). Orders placed with the credit card will list the same information as the Purchase Order. Vendors will be given the card information and approval to process the transactions by the requesting department. Vendors must indicate in their bid response if the vendor will accept the Knox County Credit Card (VISA) as a form of payment. Bidders are prohibited to charge Knox County any type of merchant fee from their financial institution to accept this type of payment.

1.20 **POSSSESSION OF WEAPONS:** All vendors and their employees and their agents are prohibited from possessing any weapons on Knox County property without prior written consent from the County. In the case of a vendor whose Contract requires possession of firearms or other weapons to successfully complete their Contract, vendor must provide personnel who are bonded to bear said weaponry.

1.21 **PROCESSING TIME FOR PAYMENT:** Vendors are advised that a minimum of thirty (30) days is required to process invoices for payment.

1.22 **PROOF OF FINANCIAL AND BUSINESS CAPABILITY:** Bidders must, upon request, furnish satisfactory evidence of their ability to furnish products or services in accordance with the terms and conditions of these specifications. Knox County will make the final determination as to the bidder's ability.

1.23 **RECYCLING:** Knox County, in its continuing efforts to lessen the amount of landfill waste and to further recycling efforts, requests that bids submitted on paper shall:

1.23.1 Be submitted on recycled paper;
1.23.2 Not include pages of unnecessary advertising;
1.23.3 Be made on both sides of each sheet of paper.

1.24 **RESTRICTIVE OR AMBIGUOUS SPECIFICATIONS:** It is the responsibility of the prospective bidder to review the entire Invitation for Bid packet and to notify the Procurement Division if the specifications are formulated in a manner that would unnecessarily restrict competition. Any such protest or question regarding the specifications or bidding procedures must be received in the Procurement Division by **September 25, 2020 by 4:30 p.m.** These requirements also apply to specifications that are ambiguous.

1.25 **SIGNING OF BIDS:** When submitting your bid, in order to be considered all bids must be signed. Please sign the original in blue ink. When submitting electronically, the submission of the bid constitutes the acceptance of all terms and conditions and will legally bind the Vendor to the County’s request for goods and/or services and the Vendors subsequent response.

1.26 **TAXES:** Knox County purchases are not subject to taxation. Tax exemption certificates will be provided upon request.

1.27 **TERM BID AGREEMENTS:** If this bid results in a term bid Contract with the vendor, Knox County must receive all general price decreases that other similar customers receive.

1.28 **TITLE VI OF THE 1964 CIVIL RIGHTS ACT AND TITLE IX OF THE EDUCATIONAL AMENDMENT OF 1972:** “Nondiscrimination on Federally Assisted Programs” — “No person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance,” 42 U.S.C. section 2000d. It is the policy of Knox County Government that all its services and activities be administered in conformance with the requirements of Title VI and Title IX.

1.29 **USE OF BID FORMS:** Vendors must complete the bid forms contained in the bid package. Failure to complete the bid forms may result in bid rejection.

1.30 **VENDOR DEFAULT:** Knox County reserves the right, in case of vendor default, to procure the articles or services from other sources and hold the defaulting vendor responsible for any excess costs occasioned thereby. Should vendor default be due to a failure to perform or because of a request for a price increase, Knox County reserves the right to remove the vendor from the County’s bidders’ list for twenty-four (24) months.
VENDOR REGISTRATION: Prior to the opening of this bid, ALL BIDDERS must be registered with the Procurement Division. A vendor application may be submitted online at www.knoxcounty.org/Procurement. Select the Vendor Registration link and complete the forms. Vendors must be registered with the Procurement Division prior to submitting their bid. Knox County shall not be responsible for technical difficulties experienced by vendors trying to register or submit their bid less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the bid opening time.

WAIVING OF INFORMALITIES: Knox County reserves the right to waive minor informalities or technicalities when it is in the best interest of Knox County.

SECTION II OBLIGATIONS, RIGHTS AND REMEDIES

These terms and conditions shall be part of the Contract. Knox County reserves the right to negotiate other terms and conditions it deems appropriate and necessary under the circumstances to protect the public's trust.

ALTERATIONS OR AMENDMENTS: No alterations, amendments, changes, modifications or additions to this Contract shall be binding on Knox County without the prior written approval of the County.

APPROPRIATION: In the event no funds are appropriated by Knox County for the goods or services in any fiscal year or insufficient funds exist to purchase the goods or services, then the Contract shall expire upon the expenditure of previously appropriated funds or the end of the current fiscal year, whichever occurs first, with no further obligations owed to or by either party.

ASSIGNMENT: Contractor shall not assign or sub-contract this agreement, its obligations or rights hereunder to any party, company, partnership, incorporation or person without the prior written specific consent of Knox County.

BOOKS AND RECORDS: Contractor shall maintain all books, documents, accounting records and other evidence pertaining to the goods and services provided under this Contract and make such materials available at its offices at all reasonable times during the Contract period and for three (3) years from the date of the final payment under this agreement for inspection by Knox County or by any other governmental entity or agency participating in the funding of this agreement, or any authorized agents thereof; copies of said records to be furnished if requested. Such records shall include those books, documents and accounting records that represent the Contractor's costs of manufacturing, acquiring or delivering the products and services governed by this agreement.

CHILD LABOR: Contractor agrees that no products or services will be provided or performed under this Contract which have been manufactured or assembled by child labor.

COMPLIANCE WITH ALL LAWS: Contractor is assumed to be familiar with and agrees to observe and comply with all federal, state, and local laws, statutes, ordinances, and regulations in any manner affecting the provision of goods and/or services, and all instructions and prohibitive orders issued regarding this work and shall obtain all necessary permits. All Contractors must be properly licensed by the State of Tennessee and all other authorities having jurisdiction. COPIES OF ALL SUCH LICENSES AND/OR PERMITS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED WITH THE BID. FAILURE TO SUBMIT COPIES OF SUCH MAY LEAD TO BID REJECTION.

CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECK: Any and all contractors, sub-contractors, successful vendors, vendor employees and school employees agree to comply with Tennessee Code Annotated Section 49-5-413. Tennessee Code Annotated Section 49-5-413 requires that all parties providing services at Knox County Schools must submit to a criminal history records check at their expense. The criminal history check is to be conducted by the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Bureau of Investigation prior to permitting the party to have contact with students or enter school grounds when students are present.

DEFAULT: If Contractor fails to perform or comply with any provision of this Contract or the terms or conditions of any documents referenced and made a part hereof, Knox County may terminate this Contract, in whole or in part, and may consider such failure or noncompliance a breach of Contract. Knox County expressly retains all rights and remedies provided by law in case of such breach, and no action by Knox County shall constitute a waiver of any such rights or remedies. In the event of termination for default, Knox County reserves the right to purchase its requirements elsewhere, with or without competitive bidding.

GOVERNING LAW: This Contract shall be governed by the laws of the State of Tennessee, and all obligations of the parties are performable in Knox County, Tennessee. The Chancery Court and/or the Circuit Court of Knox County, Tennessee, shall have exclusive and concurrent jurisdiction of any disputes which arise hereunder.
2.10 **INCORPORATION:** All specifications, drawings, technical information, Invitation for Bid, Bid, Award and similar items referred to or attached or which are the basis for this Contract are deemed incorporated by reference as if set out fully herein.

2.11 **INDEMNIFICATION/HOLD HARMLESS:** Contractor shall indemnify, defend, save and hold harmless Knox County, its officers, agents and employees from all suits, claims, actions or damages of any nature brought because of, arising out of, or due to breach of the agreement by Contractor, its subcontractors, suppliers, agents, or employees or due to any negligent act or occurrence or any omission or commission of Contractor, its subcontractors, suppliers, agents or employees.

2.12 **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR:** Contractor shall acknowledge that it and its employees serve as independent Contractors and that Knox County shall not be responsible for any payment, insurance or incurred liability.

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2.21 **TAX COMPLIANCE**: Pursuant to Resolution R-07-1-903 passed by the Commission of Knox County, Tennessee, Contractor hereby acknowledges, by submission of its bid and signature that it is current in its respective Federal, State, County, and City taxes of whatever kind or nature and is not delinquent in any way. Delinquent status must be disclosed or risk debarment by the Knox County Procurement Division.

2.22 **TERMINATION**: Knox County may terminate this agreement with or without cause at any time upon thirty (30) days written notice. In the event of termination by either party, fees due for services satisfactorily performed or goods accepted prior to the termination date shall be paid.

2.23 **WARRANTY**: Contractor warrants to Knox County that all items delivered and all services rendered shall conform to the specifications, drawings, bid and/or other descriptions furnished and/or incorporated by reference, and will be fit for the particular purpose purchased, of merchantable quality, good workmanship, and free from defects. Contractor extends to Knox County all warranties allowed under the U.C.C. Contractor shall provide copies of warranties to the County. Return of merchandise not meeting warranties shall be at Contractor’s expense.

**SECTION III SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

3.1 **INTENT**: The intent of this Invitation for Bids is to convey to prospective vendors the nature of Floor Tile Installation Services as desired by the Knox County School Maintenance and Operations Department (KCSMO). Award will be based on Best Value. Best Value means more than low cost. It includes cost, service quality and other factors detailed herein.

3.2 **ACCEPTANCE**: Vendors are advised that the payment of an invoice does not necessarily constitute an acceptance of goods or services that are provided. Acceptance requires a specific written action by Knox County so stating.

3.3 **ADDITIONS/DELETIONS**: Knox County reserves the right to add items to this term Contract or delete items that have become obsolete. The successful vendor(s) shall notify the Knox County Procurement Division of any items that have been discontinued and recommend an appropriate substitution. Knox County will be the sole judge if the substitution is appropriate.

3.4 **AWARD PROCESS**: Upon award, the resulting Contract:

3.4.1 Will be drafted by the Knox County Procurement Division.
3.4.2 Will be reviewed and approved by Knox County Schools (KCS).
3.4.3 Will be sent to the Knox County Law Department for approval.
3.4.4 Will be forwarded to KCS for inclusion on the agenda for the next regularly scheduled Board of Education Meeting.
3.4.5 Will be forwarded to the County Commission for inclusion on the agenda for the next regularly scheduled Commission meeting.
3.4.6 Will be sent to the Knox County Mayor and the Knox County Board of Education for signature.
3.4.7 Will be forwarded to the Knox County Procurement Division for obtaining the signature of the awarded vendor(s).
3.4.8 Be fully executed.

3.5 **AWARD STATUS**: Knox County intends to issue a one-year (1) award. Upon the mutual agreement of each vendor and Knox County, the award may be extended for four (4) additional years, one (1) year at a time. This may result in a total of five (5) years. Knox County and the Knox County Schools reserve the right to purchase these services from other sources if the need arises. Knox County and Knox County Schools reserve the right to revoke the award if these services are not satisfactory or a pattern of unavailability arises.

3.6 **BID EVALUATION**: In evaluating the bids, Knox County reserves the right to use any or all of the ideas from the bids submitted without limitation and to accept any part or all of the successful bid in selecting an operation which is judged to be in the best interest of the Knox County. All material submitted becomes the property of Knox County.

3.7 **BID EXPENSES**: Expenses for developing the bids are entirely the responsibility of the bidder and shall not be chargeable in any manner to Knox County.

3.8 **CHANGES AFTER AWARD**: It is possible that after award, Knox County might change its needs or requirements. Knox County reserves the right to make such changes after consultation with the vendor. Should additional costs arise, Knox County reserves the right to consider accepting these charges provided the vendor can document the increased costs. Knox County also reserves the right to accept proposed service changes from the vendor if they will lower the cost to Knox County and/or provide improved service.
3.9 **CONTRACT EXECUTION:** The award of this bid will result in a Contract between Knox County and the successful bidder(s). The Knox County Procurement Division will draft this contract and no vendor forms, (e.g. Terms and Conditions, Service Agreements, or other standard Company forms, etc.) will be accepted as Contract documents or as Contract attachments.

3.10 **DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE:** If **CONTRACTOR** has five (5) or more employees receiving pay: **CONTRACTOR** shall have a drug-free workplace program that complies with Title 50, Chapter 9 of the Code of Tennessee, shall obtain a certificate of compliance with the applicable portions of the Drug-Free Workplace Act from the Department of Labor and Workforce, and shall Provide the Affidavit required by Public Acts, 2000, Chapter 918. **CONTRACTOR** shall ensure that it is in compliance with Public Acts, 2000, Chapter No. 918.

3.11 **EVALUATION CRITERIA:**

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3.12 **INSURANCE CHECKLIST:** Vendors and their insurance agents must sign the attached insurance requirement form and submit it with their bid. This serves as proof that the vendor can and will obtain and maintain the insurance required for this project. **Upon notification of intent to award, the successful vendor shall be required to submit a Certificate of Insurance showing the specified coverage and listing Knox County Government as additional insured.** The successful vendor must maintain the required insurance coverage with no lapse in coverage. If found to have a lapse in insurance coverage the vendor will be immediately terminated and disbarred from doing business with Knox County and Knox County Schools.

3.13 **INVOICING REQUIREMENTS:** **KCSMO** prefers to use E-Commerce cards as payment for these services. As several different departments may use this Contract, please adhere to the following guidelines for **KCSMO**. **Follow the guidelines of other departments when they purchase from you.** Do not put KCSMO charges on any other department and do not put the charges of other departments on KCSMO.

3.13.1 **MAIL ALL INVOICES FOR KCSMO TO:**
Knox County Schools Maintenance & Operations
Purchasing Supervisor
900 East Fifth Avenue
Knoxville, Tennessee 37917

3.13.2 **TRACKING NUMBER:** All invoices must have a Knox County Purchase Order number on them or they will be returned. Knox County Schools uses Purchase Order numbers for tracking. You will only have one number per invoice. If paid by credit card no tracking number will be required.

3.13.3 **INVOICE DETAIL:** At a minimum, these items must be shown on the invoice:

a. The grand total amount
b. An itemized list detailing the description, quantity and cost of each item or service provided (not if the job was a “Not to Exceed” project.)
c. The location delivered to (Such as XYZ School or Maintenance 5th Avenue)
d. The date the work/materials were delivered
e. A statement that the price invoiced is per the bid/quote
f. The Purchase Order Number

3.13.4 **SUBMIT ONE ORIGINAL INVOICE AND ONE COPY OF IT.**

3.13.5 **INVOICES ARE TO BE ORIGINAL, WITH A UNIQUE REFERENCE NUMBER. PREFERABLY INVOICES WILL BE WHITE.**

3.13.6 **REVIEW OF INVOICES:** Invoices will be reviewed for adherence to bid terms and/or the quotation.

3.13.7 **VARIATION:** Variation from the terms of our bids or quotations is strictly prohibited. It will help speed your payment if your invoice notes the bid number or name. It will be even more helpful if your invoice clearly states that the charges are in accordance with the bid or quotation terms. While failure to follow these guidelines may slow down the payment process, following these steps will help you receive payment faster.

3.13.8 **UNPAID INVOICES:** If invoices are unpaid after thirty (30) days, for KCSMO please contact at 865.594.3635 to ascertain the status.

3.14 **MATERIAL/LABOR QUALITY:** Unless otherwise specified, all materials must be of a commercial grade or better.
3.15 **NEW MATERIAL:** Unless specified otherwise in the bid package, Contractor(s) must provide new supplies. New, as used in this clause, means previously unused materials. Material includes but is not limited to, raw material, parts, items, components, and end products. Bidder submission of other than new materials may be cause for the rejection of the bid. Refurbished or remanufactured materials will not be accepted.

3.16 **NEWS RELEASES BY CONTRACTORS:** As a matter of policy, Knox County does not endorse the services of a Contractor. A Contractor will not make news releases concerning any resultant contract from this solicitation without the prior written approval of Knox County.

3.17 **NO CONTACT POLICY:** After the date and time the bidder receives this solicitation, any contact initiated by any bidder with any Knox County representative, other than the Procurement Division representative listed herein, concerning this bid is strictly prohibited. Any such unauthorized contact may cause the disqualification of the bidder from this procurement transaction.

3.18 **OPEN BIDDING INTENDED:** It is the intent and purpose of Knox County that this Invitation for Bid promotes competition. It shall be the bidder’s responsibility to advise the Procurement Division, if any language, requirements, etc. or any combination thereof, inadvertently restricts or limits this Invitation for Bid. These requirements also apply to specifications that are ambiguous. Such notification must be submitted in writing and must be received by the Procurement Division no later than **September 25, 2020 by 4:30 p.m. local time.**

3.19 **PRICING:** Vendors are to quote a firm fixed price for the services noted herein. The price may not change during the term of the contract. However the vendor may request a price increase at each renewal period. A request for a price increase must be accompanied by proof of increased price to the vendor. Knox County reserves the right to accept or reject the requested price increase. If the price increase is rejected the vendor may:

3.19.1 Continue with existing prices;
3.19.2 Not accept the renewal offer;
3.19.3 Request a lower price increase.

3.20 **RECORDS:** Vendor will maintain records of items and quantities purchased by Knox County and make them available on request.

3.21 **REJECTION OF BIDS:** Knox County reserves the right to reject any and all bids received as a result of this request and to waive any informality, technical defect or clerical error in any bid, as the interests of the County may require. Non-acceptance of any bid will be devoid of any criticism of the bid and of any implication that the bid is deficient in any manner. Non-acceptance of any bid shall be construed as meaning simply that the County does not deem the bid to be acceptable or that another bid was deemed to be more advantageous to Knox County for the particular services proposed.

3.22 **REMOVAL OF VENDORS’ EMPLOYEES:** The successful vendor(s) agrees to utilize only experienced responsible and capable people in the performance of the work. Knox County may require that the successful vendor(s) remove from the job covered by this contract, employees who endanger persons or property or whose continued employment under this contract is inconsistent with the interest of Knox County.

3.23 **SAFETY:** Vendor will ensure that its employees observe and exercise all necessary caution and discretion so as to avoid injury to person or damage to property of any and all kinds. All buildings, appurtenances and furnishings shall be protected by the vendor from damage, which might be done or caused by works performed under this contract. Such damages to the foregoing shall be repaired and/or replaced by approved methods so as to restore the damaged areas to their original condition at the expense of the vendor.

3.24 **SCHEDULING OF WORK:** Vendor(s) shall cooperate with officials in performing work so that interference with the normal program will be held to a minimum. Work will normally be scheduled for regular work hours and not for overtime hours.

3.25 **SIGN-IN FOR KNOX COUNTY SCHOOLS:** Vendors must sign the Vendor Check-In Log at each school site where work is to be performed. Ask for the “Maintenance & Contractor’s Sign in Book” in the office area. It is a white notebook. Failure to sign-in will negate KCSMO responsibility to pay the resulting invoice. Vendors do not have to sign-in if the office area of the facility is locked.

3.26 **SUB-CONTRACTING:** Any sub-contracting must be approved, in advance by the KCSMO and Knox County. Knox County may terminate the contract if subcontracting is done without written approval.
3.27 **SUB-CONTRACTORS:** Bidders are strongly encouraged to solicit minority owned and operated sub-contractors for this bid and during the duration of the award.

3.28 **SUBMIT QUESTIONS:** Prospective bidders may submit questions concerning this solicitation by **September 25, 2020** by 4:30 p.m. local time. Submit questions as noted in Section 1.1.

3.29 **USE OF TRASH CONTAINERS:** Vendors are advised that the Knox County Schools policy does not allow vendors to utilize on-site trash bins paid for by Knox County Schools. Vendors are responsible for removing and disposing of debris.

3.30 **VALUE ADDED RELATIONSHIP:** Knox County intends for this bid to result in a relationship with a vendor. Knox County desires a long-term relationship with a vendor in which common goals are shared. Among those goals are:

- **3.30.1** Fair and equitable treatment of vendor and owner.
- **3.30.2** Vendor expertise in methods of cost reduction. Vendors are encouraged to suggest ways in which costs can be reduced by product substitution or process modification.
- **3.30.3** Vendor involvement in the school system or a specific school on a non-business basis.

3.31 **WORKMANSHIP:** Where not more specifically described in any of the various sections of these specifications, workmanship shall conform to all of the methods and operations of best standards and accepted practices of the trade or trades involved, and shall include all items of fabrication, construction or installation regularly furnished or required for completion of the services. All work shall be executed by personnel skilled in their respective lines of work.

**SECTION IV  SPECIFICATIONS**

4.1 **SUMMARY:** Vendors shall provide floor tile installation services. Vendors shall furnish labor, tools, equipment, services and other incidentals required to perform work as listed.

4.2 **ADHESIVE:** Vendors shall adhere to the manufacturer’s recommended instructions for the specific floor tile to be installed as well as the adhesive to be used.

4.3 **CONDITIONS:** Vendors shall adhere to the manufacturer’s recommended instructions for the specific floor tile to be installed.

4.4 **INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS:** Vendors shall adhere to the manufacturer’s recommended instructions for the specific floor tile to be installed.

**BIDDERS NEED NOT RETURN PAGES ONE THROUGH NINE WITH THEIR BID**
SECTION V VENDOR INFORMATION AND PRICING FOR BID 2988, FLOOR TILE INSTALLATION SERVICES

5.1 Vendor Name ____________________________________________________________

5.2 Vendor Address ________________________________________________________
   City __________________________ State __________________________ Zip __________

5.3 Telephone Number ______________________ Fax Number ______________________

5.4 Vendor Number as assigned by the Knox County Procurement Division __________

5.5 Contact Person _________________________________________________________

5.6 Contact Person's email address ____________________________________________

5.7 By submission of this bid, each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief that each bidder is not on the list created pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated § 12-12-106.

Authorizing Signature ____________________________
(Sign in blue ink)

5.8 Vendor's Knox County Business License Number ____________________________ (If Applicable) Attach A Copy Of The License.

5.9 I Acknowledge the Receipt Of: (Please Write “Yes” If You Received One)
   Addendum 1 _______ Addendum 2 _______ Addendum 3 _______ Addendum 4 _______

5.10 Do you accept the Terms and Conditions of the bid? Yes ______________ No __________
     With Exceptions __________________________________________________________

5.11 May other Government Agencies in Tennessee purchase these items/services at the same prices per Section 1.11 of this bid? Yes __________________ No ______________________

5.12 Will you accept credit card payments as per Section 1.19? Yes ______________ No ______________________

5.13 Did you include the Criminal History Records Check as per Section 2.7? Yes ______________ No __________

5.14 Did you include the Drug Free Affidavit as per Section 3.10? Yes ______________ No __________

5.15 Did you include the Insurance Checklist as per Section 3.12? Yes ______________ No __________

5.16 Guaranteed number of business days for response time after receipt of Purchase Order: _____ Days

5.17 Price for tile installation: $__________ per square foot

5.18 Price to remove and dispose of old tile: $__________ per square foot

5.19 Price to remove old adhesive: $__________ per square foot

5.20 Price to move furniture: $__________ per hour

5.21 Price to patch floor: $__________ per square yard

5.22 Price to install rubber floor tile: $__________ per square foot

5.23 Price for 4” cove base installation: $__________ per linear foot

5.24 Price for 6” cove base installation: $__________ per linear foot
5.25 Price to demo and dispose of stair treads: $______________ per linear foot
5.26 Price to install stair treads: $______________ per linear foot
5.27 Price to install stair nosing: $______________ per linear foot
5.28 Price to install transition strips: $______________ per linear foot
5.29 Price for grinding labor: $______________ per square foot
5.30 Hourly rate for additional work: $______________ per hour
5.31 Number of Employees: _______________
5.32 List all equipment and vehicles

5.33 Has your business had any complaints, contracts, cancelled, terminated, revoked, or complaints made against your work? Yes__________ No__________
If yes, please provide an explanation. _____________________________________________________

5.34 Please list last 5 largest installation jobs:
Company Name: ________________________________ City: ______________________ ST: _________
Square Footage:______________________________ Type of Installation ___________________

Company Name: ________________________________ City: ______________________ ST: _________
Square Footage:______________________________ Type of Installation ___________________

Company Name: ________________________________ City: ______________________ ST: _________
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# Knox County Procurement Division

**Insurance Checklist 2988**

The certificate of insurance must show all coverages & endorsements with "YES" and Items 20 to 24.

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<th>Required</th>
<th>Number</th>
<th>Type of Coverage</th>
<th>Coverage Limits</th>
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<tr>
<td>YES</td>
<td>1.</td>
<td>Workers Compensation</td>
<td>Statutory Limits of Tennessee</td>
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<td>YES</td>
<td>2.</td>
<td>Employers Liability</td>
<td>$100,000 per accident, $100,000 per disease, $500,000 disease policy limit</td>
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<td>YES</td>
<td>3.</td>
<td>Automobile Liability</td>
<td>Combine single limit (per-accident) $1,000,000</td>
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<td>YES</td>
<td>4.</td>
<td>Commercial General Liability</td>
<td>Each occurrence $1,000,000, Fire Legal Liability $100,000, Med Exp (per person) $5,000, General Aggregate $2,000,000, Products-Completed Operations/Aggregate $2,000,000</td>
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<td>YES</td>
<td>5.</td>
<td>Premises/Operations</td>
<td>$1,000,000 CSL BIPD each occurrence, $2,000,000 annual aggregate</td>
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<td>YES</td>
<td>6.</td>
<td>Independent Contractor</td>
<td>$1,000,000 CSL BIPD each occurrence, $1,000,000 annual aggregate</td>
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<td>YES</td>
<td>7.</td>
<td>Contractual Liability</td>
<td>(must be shown on certificate) $1,000,000 CSL BIPD each occurrence, $1,000,000 annual aggregate</td>
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<td>NO</td>
<td>8.</td>
<td>XCU Coverage</td>
<td>Not to be excluded</td>
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<td>YES</td>
<td>9.</td>
<td>Umbrella Liability Coverage</td>
<td>$1,000,000</td>
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<td>NO</td>
<td>10.</td>
<td>Architects &amp; Engineers</td>
<td>$1,000,000 per occurrence/claim</td>
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<td>NO</td>
<td>11.</td>
<td>Asbestos &amp; Removal Liability</td>
<td>$2,000,000 per occurrence/claim</td>
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<td>NO</td>
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<td>Medical Malpractice</td>
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<td>NO</td>
<td>13.</td>
<td>Medical Professional Liability</td>
<td>$1,000,000 per occurrence/claim</td>
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<td>NO</td>
<td>14.</td>
<td>Miscellaneous E &amp; O</td>
<td>$500,000 per occurrence/claim</td>
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<td>NO</td>
<td>15.</td>
<td>Motor Carrier Act Endorsement</td>
<td>$1,000,000 BIPD each occurrence, uninsured motorist (MCS-90)</td>
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<td>NO</td>
<td>16.</td>
<td>Inland Marine Bailee’s Insurance</td>
<td>$</td>
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<td>NO</td>
<td>17.</td>
<td>Dishonesty Bond</td>
<td>$</td>
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<td>NO</td>
<td>18.</td>
<td>Builder’s Risk</td>
<td>Provide coverage in the full amount of the contract unless provided by owner.</td>
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<td>NO</td>
<td>19.</td>
<td>USL&amp;H</td>
<td>Federal statutory limits</td>
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## 21. Notice Of Cancellation, Non-Renewable Or Material Changes In Coverage Shall Be Provided To County At Least 30 Days Prior To Action. The Words "Endeavor To" And "But Failure To" (To End Of Sentence) Are To Be Eliminated From The Notice Of Cancellation Provision On Standard Accord Certificates.

## 22. The County Shall Be Named As An Additional Named Insured On All Policies Except Workers’ Compensation And Auto.
23. **CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE SHALL SHOW THE BID NUMBER AND TITLE.**

24. **OTHER INSURANCE REQUIRED**

**INSURANCE AGENT’S STATEMENT AND CERTIFICATION:** I have reviewed the above requirements with the bidder named below and have advised the bidder of required coverage not provided through this agency.

**AGENCY NAME:** __________________________ **AUTHORIZING SIGNATURE:** __________________________

**BIDDER’S STATEMENT AND CERTIFICATION:** If awarded the contract, I will comply with the contract insurance requirements.

**BIDDER NAME:** __________________________ **AUTHORIZING SIGNATURE:** __________________________
AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE

WITH

TENNESSEE CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECK

TENNESSEE CODE ANNOTATED, SECTION 49-5-413

(To be submitted with bid by contractor)

I, ____________________________, President or other Principal Officer of ____________________________, swear or affirm that the

Name of Company

Company is in compliance with Public Chapter 587 of 2007, codified at Tennessee Code Annotated 49-5-413, in effect at

the time of this bid submission at least to the extent required of governmental entities. I further swear or affirm that the

company is in compliance with Tennessee Code Annotated, § 49-5-413.

____________________________________

President or Principal Officer

For: ________________________________

Name of Company

STATE OF TENNESSEE

COUNTY OF _________________________

)

Subscribed and sworn before me by ____________________________,

President or Principal Officer of ____________________________,

On this _________________ day of __________________________ 2________.

____________________________________

Notary Public

My Commission expires: _________________________________
AFFIDAVIT OF COMPLIANCE
WITH
DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS OF
TENNESSEE CODE ANNOTATED, § 50-9-113

(To be submitted with bid by contractor with 5 or more employees)

I, ________________________________, President or other Principal Officer of ________________________________, swear or affirm that the ____________
Name of Company

Company has a drug-free workplace program that complies with Title 50, Chapter 9, Tennessee Code Annotated, in effect at the time of this bid submission at least to the extent required of governmental entities. I further swear or affirm that the company is in compliance with Tennessee Code Annotated, § 50-9-113.

____________________________________
President or Principal Officer

For: __________________________________
Name of Company

STATE OF TENNESSEE }
COUNTY OF                  }

Subscribed and sworn before me by ________________________________.
President or Principal Officer of ________________________________

On this _________________ day of __________________________ 2________.

____________________________________
Notary Public

My Commission expires: ________________________________