

Executive Summary Fayette County Public Schools Board Meeting Agenda Item

MEETING: Regular DATE: July 28, 2025

TOPIC: Approval of Third-Party Special Inspection Agreement for the Construction of the

New Henry Clay High School BG# 24-279

PREPARED BY: Myron Thompson, Chief Operating Officer @ 422-0383

Recommended Action on: 7/28/2025

Consent Item

Superintendent Prior Approval: No

Recommendation/Motion: Authorize the Superintendent to execute a contract with S&ME, Inc. in the amount of \$245,000.00 (Two Hundred Forty-five Thousand Dollars) to perform the third-party special inspections outlined below, subject to review/approval of the FCPS General Counsel.

Background/Rationale: The International Building Code as adopted by Kentucky requires the Owner of construction/renovation projects to contract directly with a qualified engineering firm that can act as a third-party Special Inspection Agent for the duration of a renovation/construction project. Several sections of the Kentucky Building Code require the special inspection of structural materials and their installation (i.e., concrete footings, bolted steel connections, masonry materials) prior to the work progressing to the next phase. This is meant to be a safeguard to Owner, the building occupants and the general public, and will help eliminate construction defects before structural components are concealed by finish materials.

Request for Proposal #49-25 was solicited and four (4) proposals were received from qualified engineering firms to serve as the Special Inspections Agent. The special inspector must be available as soon as the contractor begins foundation work and whenever inspection activities are required by the code throughout the life of the project. Based on the design team's analysis of the proposals received, S&ME, Inc. appears to have met all of the project scope of work criteria and has submitted an acceptable and cost-efficient proposal. The total anticipated value of the services (\$245,000.00) needed for the project requires the approval of the Board.

Contractor	Proposal Amount
S&ME	\$245,000.00
L.E. Gregg	\$258,264.00
UES	\$375,000.00
Thoroughbred	\$393,000.00

Strategic Priority:

☑ Student Achievement ☐ Unity, Belonging & Student Efficacy

☐ Highly Effective & Culturally Responsive Workforce

☐ Outreach & Engagement ☐ Organizational Health & Efficiency

Data Considerations: District Facility Plan

Policy: 01.11 – Powers and Duties of the Board

Fiscal Impact: Fund

FundOrg. CodeObject CodeProject CodeConstruction 3600393610034924279

Attachments(s): Contract