

BALTIMORE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

DATE: July 9, 2002
TO: **BOARD OF EDUCATION**
FROM: Dr. J. Hairston, Superintendent
SUBJECT: **Fee Acceptance – Construction Inspection Services at Various Elementary Schools**

ORIGINATOR: J. Robert Haines, Deputy Superintendent of Business Services

RESOURCE

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RECOMMENDATION

That the Board of Education approves a negotiated fee.

Fee Acceptance – Construction Inspection Services at Various Elementary Schools.

**Request for Fee Acceptance
Construction Inspection Services at Various Elementary Schools
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On May 31, 2002, 3D/International terminated their inspection contracts with the various consultants who were providing construction inspection services to 43 schools under Phase II of our Major Maintenance Renovation Program. The termination of these contracts resulted in no inspectors being present on any of these renovation projects – a completely unacceptable and dangerous situation. In order to maintain the necessary inspectors on all projects (thus avoiding possible construction problems) plus allowing the 43 projects to continue uninterrupted so that substantial completion could be obtained prior to students returning this coming school year, the Department of Physical Facilities, under Superintendents Rule 3215, has asked the Purchasing Office to issue purchase orders/contracts, pending Board of Education approval, to these vendors because the current situation, if not corrected, would endanger public health and safety for the continued operation of these facilities.

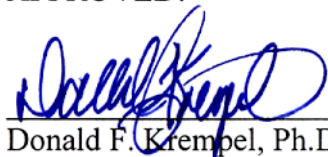
Because there was not sufficient time from the termination of 3D/International's services and immediate action had to be taken, we were unable to satisfy the board requirements for the competitive process and award as defined in Superintendent's Rule 3250. Pending approval by the Board of Education, the Department of Physical Facilities will enter into contract with the same firms who were under contract with 3D/International for the same inspection services as stated in their previous contract. The same inspectors will continue to monitor the work which they have been doing for the past months.

In order to provide for construction inspections for the Phase II Elementary Schools under the Major Maintenance Renovation Program, the Department of Physical Facilities requests approval to utilize the services of the consultants previously under contract with 3D/International. Listed below are the consultants and the respective not-to-exceed dollar amounts for their contracted services.

DFI, Inc.	\$320,000.00
Avalon, Inc.	\$200,000.00
KCI, Inc.	\$200,000.00
JMT, Inc.	\$150,000.00
RKK, Inc.	\$100,000.00
CDG, Inc.	\$100,000.00

Each of these firms is either approved under our existing on-call services bid agreements or is pre-qualified with Baltimore County Public Works. All inspectors are familiar with their respective schools. Funding for these services is available from the Capital Budget Project #665 – Major Maintenance.

APPROVED:



Donald F. Krempe, Ph.D.
Executive Director