

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO RECEIVE BIDS FROM PRE-QUALIFIED BIDDERS

Sealed proposals will be received by Alabama A&M University at the office of Fuqua & Partners Architects, located at 100 Church St., Suite 700, Huntsville, AL 35801 until 2:00 p.m. CST on January 14th, 2025, for:

Alabama A&M University New Science Building Early Site Package located on Alabama A&M University Campus, Normal, AL

at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Only Contractors who have been approved to bid pursuant to prequalification procedures and criteria established by the Owner will be eligible to bid for the Project. Written prequalification procedures and criteria are available for review at the office of Fuqua & Partners Architects, 100 Church Street, Suite 700, Huntsville, AL 35801. Please contact the Architect for Pre-Qualification requirements by emailing Lorri Thornton at info@fuquaarchitects.com.

All interested Contractors must submit a Pre-Qualification Package to the Architect by 5:00 p.m. CST on Thursday, November 14, 2024. All Contractors will be notified no later than December 5, 2024, of their qualification status.

Upon acceptance of qualifications, Contractors intending to submit a bid may obtain PDF formatted Bid Documents from the Architect upon providing contact information. This contact information (email) is required and will be used for electronic distribution of any addenda or other information. Addenda and other information will be issued only to holders of drawings and specifications distributed by the Architect. Subcontractors and suppliers may obtain drawings and specifications (bid documents) through a General Contractor or the Architect.

Drawings and specifications may be examined at the office of Fuqua & Partners Architects, 100 Church Street, Suite 700, Huntsville, AL 35801. In addition, Pre-Qualified Contractors may obtain hard copies of Bid Documents from Datatek Reprographics at 2108 Island Circle, Huntsville, AL 35801. Printing costs will not be refunded. Subcontractors and suppliers may obtain Bid Documents through a General Contractor or Datatek.

A **PRE-BID CONFERENCE** for all Pre-Qualified bidders will be held on Tuesday, December 10, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. CST at the office of Fuqua & Partners Architects located at 100 Church St., Suite 700, Huntsville, AL 35801.

A cashier's check or bid bond payable to Alabama A&M University in an amount not less than five (5) percent of the amount of the bid, but in no event more than \$10,000, must accompany the bidder's proposal. Performance and Payment Bonds and evidence of insurance required in the bid documents will be required at the signing of the Contract.

Addenda and other information will be issued only to holders of drawings and specifications distributed by the Architect. Contractors who obtain drawings and wish to withdraw from the Bidders List must do so in writing to the office of the Architect seven (7) days prior to the bid date,

Fuqua & Partners Architects makes no guarantee for plans and specifications obtained by Contractors and Vendors from sources other than the Architect. Contractors and Vendors who base their pricing from documents obtained from other electronic sources, either in part or whole, do so at their own risk.

Bids must be submitted on proposal forms furnished by the Architect (Engineer) or copies thereof. All bidders bidding in amounts exceeding that established by the State Licensing Board for General Contractors must be licensed under the provisions of Title 34, Chapter 8, Code of Alabama, 1975, and must show evidence of license before bidding or bid will not be received or considered by the Architect (Engineer); the bidder shall show such evidence by clearly displaying his or her current license number on the outside of the sealed envelope in which the proposal is delivered. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive technical errors if, in the Owner's judgment, the best interests of the Owner will thereby be promoted.

Notice of Sales & Use Tax Exemption: Materials incorporated into the Work are exempt from sales and use tax pursuant to Alabama Act No. 2013-205 (effective October 01, 2013). The contractor and their subcontractors shall be responsible for complying with rules and regulations of the Sales, Use, and Business Tax Division of the Alabama Department of Revenue regarding certificates and other qualifications to claim such exemption when making qualifying purchases from vendors. The Owner shall not consider claims for additional costs resultant of the contractor's, or their subcontractor's, failure to comply with such rules and regulations.

Alabama Law (Section 41-4-116, Code of Alabama 1975) provides that every bid submitted and contract executed shall contain a certification that the vendor, contractor, and all of its affiliates that make sales for delivery into Alabama or leases for use in Alabama are registered, collecting, and remitting Alabama state and local sales, use, and/or lease tax on all taxable sales and leases into Alabama.

Alabama Immigration Law (Act 2011-535 and codified in state law as Title 31, Chapter 13 of the Code of Alabama 1975, amended by Act No. 2012-491) requires the University to require all Contractors to enroll in the E-Verify program and to provide documentation of enrollment in the E-Verify program with their contracts or agreements. This is applicable to all General Contractors and Subcontractors performing work on a University project.

Nonresident bidders must accompany any written bid documents with a written opinion of an attorney at law licensed to practice law in such nonresident bidder's state of domicile, as to the preferences, if any or none, granted by the law of that state to its own business entities whose principal places of business are in that state in the letting of any or all public contracts.

Alabama A&M University

(Awarding Authority)

Fuqua & Partners Architects

(Architect)

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