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REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS **DESIGN-BUILD SERVICES FOR AIR QUALITY AND ASSOCIATED IMPROVEMENTS**

Project Overview

Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-142.A1, Thomasville City Schools (Referred hereafter as “TCS”) is seeking proposals from qualified design-build teams to perform services for air quality and associated improvements. The intent of this RFQ is to select a design-build team by Qualifications-Based selection to provide design and construction services for various air quality and associated improvements to include, but not limited to, HVAC, chiller and boiler upgrades, windows, and other projects and improvements as deemed necessary.

TCS facilities are experiencing air quality concerns due to aging infrastructure. The design-builder shall determine the best strategy to improve indoor air quality at each school within a fixed budget.

Anticipated project budget: Estimated not to exceed \$6,500,000. Funds are from ESSER II and ESSER III allocations.

RFQ Response Organization

Design-Builder shall submit an RFQ package that includes the following:

1. Profile of each key firm on the team (design-builder, contractor(s), designer(s), etc.). Include firm history, ownership, description of services, location, staff size and record of successfully completed projects without major legal or technical problems.
2. Resume of each key personnel represented on the team (design-builder, contractor(s), designer(s), etc.). Identify licenses (with numbers) and qualifications.
3. Examples of experience in each of these areas:
 - a. Projects with scope similar to proposed project, successfully completed by team members (firms and/or personnel).
 - b. Design-Build projects successfully delivered by team members (firms and/or personnel).
 - c. Collaboration between team members (firm and/or personnel).
4. Examples of recent experience with estimating project cost. Include examples of design-build projects with comparison between initial design-build estimate and final cost. Include estimated cost to administer/oversee entire project.
5. Examples of recent experience with adhering to project schedules. Include examples of design-build projects with comparison between initial schedule and final delivery date.
6. Understanding of the project location as exhibited by past experience in the geographic area and/or with the client. Indicate team’s proximity to the project area.
7. Quantifiable description of current workload and available resources to successfully complete this project.

8. Description, with examples if applicable, of process for successfully delivering this proposed project. Address each phase of project (design, pre-construction and construction). Include strategy for pre-qualifying construction subcontractors and obtaining competitive bidding; practices and procedures to ensure quality; and other factors that may be applicable.

9. Certifications:

a. A letter, dated within the last 30 days, from your surety company, signed by their Attorney in Fact, verifying their willingness to issue sufficient payment and performance bonds for this project, on behalf of your firms or its agent licensed to do business in North Carolina, and verifying your company's capability and capacity based on your current value of work. Surety company bond rating shall be rated "A" or better under the A.M. Best Rating system or The Federal Treasury List.

b. HUB Participation: Describe the program (plan) that your company has developed to encourage participation by HUB firms to meet or exceed the goals set by North Carolina General Statute 143-128.2. Please explain how the firm will address minority participation in the management levels of the company. Include a HUB plan in the proposal. Provide documentation of HUB participation that the firm achieved over the past three (3) years on both public and private construction projects. Outline specific outreach efforts that your firm will take to notify HUB firms of opportunities for participation. Indicate the minority participation goal that you expect to achieve on the project.

c. Written certification by the design-builder that each licensed design professional included as part of the team was selected based solely on qualifications without regard to fee. Include evidence that a qualifications-based selection (QBS) process was utilized.

10. Additional information as requested by the Owner or deemed appropriate by the Design-Builder.

Licensing Statement

In order to offer construction services (General Contracting, Electrical, Plumbing, Heating and Fire Sprinkler Contracting, or Landscape Contracting) and Design Services (Architecture, Engineering, or Landscape Architecture) as part of the response to this RFQ, the proposing firms must be properly licensed to provide Construction Services in the State of North Carolina.

Selection Factors

An Evaluation Team will consider the following criteria in evaluating proposals pursuant to Thomasville City Schools Board Policy. These categories may not be weighted equally, but rather on importance and significance to this project. The district will select the responding firm that is deemed most qualified and that the district determines provides the greatest value for this project.

	Evaluation Criteria	Maximum Points
A	Experience with design-build projects in North Carolina and utilizing ESSER funding	20
B	Experience in superior mechanical design, including reputation for accuracy and sufficiency to detail, planning ability and promptness.	15
C	Experience in the construction/modification of K-12 buildings.	15
D	Past performance on similar projects.	10
E	The design-builders price for providing the general condition of the contract.	10
F	Ability to integrate services with existing contractors and service providers	10
G	Timely completion of projects within established budgets and time constraints.	10
H	Any other factors the Board of Education, Superintendent, or Evaluation team deems relevant.	10
	Total points to be earned	100

TCS reserves the right to schedule and conduct interviews if deemed necessary.

RFQ Schedule:

Release of RFQ: May 4, 2022

Responses due: May 24, 2022

Interviews if deemed necessary: May 25, 2022 through June 1, 2022

Selection Announced: After June 2, 2022, board meeting

All questions should be directed via email to Eric Johannesen, Director of Facilities and Safety, by 12:00 p.m. on Friday, May 20, 2022. No other staff or board members of TCS may be contacted by prospective respondents.

Submit proposals by 4:00pm on the closing date of May 24, 2022. Submission via email is preferred, but you may mail copies to the address below if desired. No fax submittals will be accepted.

Mail to:

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