

**ADVERTISEMENT for BIDDER PRE-QUALIFICATION and
NOTICE of INTENT to RECEIVE BIDS from
PRE-QUALIFIED BIDDERS**

The Board of Trustees of The University of Alabama for The University of Alabama at Birmingham, as Owner and Awarding Authority, requests Submittals from Design Build General Contractors to identify qualified Bidders for:

UAB Alumni House
University of Alabama at Birmingham
Birmingham, Alabama
Project No.: 060017AP

Pre-Qualification submittals will be received by the Owners Design Consultant's Project Manager, **Kyle Franklin**, on behalf of the Owner's Representative/Project Manager, Mr. James Guyton, and the Office of the Associate Vice President of Facilities, University of Alabama at Birmingham, and the University of Alabama Board of Trustees at the **Owners Design Consultant's office: Williams Blackstock Architects, 2204 1st Avenue South, Suite 200, Birmingham, AL 35233, until 4:00 PM CDT on Tuesday, September 8, 2009.** The original, three duplicates of submittals and an electronic or copy on CD are required for pre-qualification approval. Facsimile and/or email copies may be transmitted but they must be followed up with the original, 3 duplicates and an electronic or copy on CD of submittal within 24 hours.

A. SCOPE OF WORK:

The general description of work includes:

- **Scope:** The project is comprised of the construction of a new facility for the UAB Alumni. The project will consist of office space for the Alumni staff, three chapter/meeting rooms, and a large conference/events room. The new facility will be approximately 14,500 square feet. The site is located on the Southeast corner of 13th Street South and 10th Street South in Birmingham Alabama.
- **Work includes:** preparation of design build construction documents, management, general safety and security of the construction area, and other items described in the project bridging contract documents (plans and performance specifications). Pre-Qualified Bidders will be notified of changes to project scope or bridging contract documents by formal Addendum from the Owners Design Consultant.

B. DESIGN BUILD GENERAL CONTRACTOR BIDDER PRE-QUALIFICATIONS:

The pre-qualification procedure is intended to identify responsible and competent General Contactor bidders relative to the requirements of the Project. Only General Contractor bidders who have completed the pre-qualification process and have been approved will be eligible to submit a bid for the Project.

Design Build General Contractor Bidders interested in submitting a proposal must apply for pre-qualification and must be licensed under the Provision of Title 34, Chapter 8, and Code of Alabama, 1975. The General Contractors Architect and Engineers must also be licensed under the Provision of Title 34, Chapter 2 and 11 Code of Alabama, 1975. A copy of current Alabama Contractors License is to be included in the pre-qualification submittal.

A Pre-Qualification Requirements Information Package may be obtained from the Owners Design Consultant upon letterhead request. To be considered, the completed application must be received as specified in the Pre-Qualification Requirements Information Package. Requests for information or clarification shall be submitted to the Owners Design Consultant's Project Manager in writing at least two days prior to the due date. In order to expedite the process for information or clarification from the Owners Design Consultant requests may be submitted by facsimile and/or email transmission.

Pre-qualification submittals shall be clearly identified on the exterior of the package with the prospective bidder's name, address, and Alabama Contractor's license number, name of the project, and time and place of the submittal deadline. Pre-qualification application and support documents shall be submitted in sealed envelope or package.

Each prospective Design Build General Contractor Bidder will be notified of the results of the pre-qualification, no later than **Friday, September 11, 2009** by 4:00 PM CDT via email and facsimile.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any technical errors in application or to abandon the Pre-qualification process if the interest of the Owner appears to be promoted thereby.

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C. BIDS BY PRE-QUALIFIED DESIGN BUILD GENERAL CONTRACTOR BIDDERS:

UAB is a Signatory Sponsor to and affirms The Birmingham Plan – Construction Industry Program

Bids will be received from Pre-Qualified Bidders until 2:00 p.m. CST on **Thursday, October 1, 2009** and will thereafter be publicly opened and read aloud in the UAB Facilities Conference Center Building located adjacent to the UAB Facilities Administration Building, 801 6th Avenue South, Birmingham, AL 35294. Bids must be submitted on Proposal Forms furnished. Bids shall be clearly identified on the exterior of the package with the bidder's name, address, State license number, the name of the project being bid, time and place of the bid opening. Sealed bids shall be properly identified.

On the date of the bid opening Bids may be hand delivered or received by Express Service mail at the Office of the Associate Vice President for Facilities, 801 6th Avenue South, Facilities Administration Building, Room 154, Birmingham, AL 35294 or received by US Postal Service mail at the Office of the Associate Vice President for Facilities, FAB 154 1530 3rd Avenue South, Birmingham, AL 35294-4554 respectfully until 12:00 noon. After 12:00 noon of the date of the bid opening, bids must be hand delivered and presented at the bid opening. Sealed bids shall be properly identified. All bids received after 2:00 P.M. on **October 1, 2009** will be returned unopened.

Construction Contracts shall be awarded only to qualified Contractors, licensed by the State Licensing Board for General Contractors, as required by Title 34, Chapter 8, Code of Alabama. Construction Contracts in excess of \$50,000 shall be awarded only to Contractors licensed as required by the 1978 Code of Alabama, Title 34, Chapter 8 as amended. Formal pre-qualification for bidders is required, and, bidders must be “responsible” in accordance with criteria in the bid documents and as stipulated by Title 39-2-3-(e) of the Code of Alabama.

A Cashier’s Check drawn on an Alabama Bank or bid bond, executed by a Surety company duly authorized and qualified to make such bonds in Alabama, payable to The Board of Trustees of the University of Alabama in the amount of 5% of the amount of bids, but in no event more than \$10,000.00, must accompany the bidder's bids. Performance and Labor and Material Payment Bonds in the amount of 100% of the contract price will be required when the Contract is presented by the Contractor to the Owner.

UAB has designated that bid documents will be available for examination at the Plan Room of:

- a. AGC Internet Plan Room, 5000 Grantswood Road, Irondale, AL 35210
- b. The Birmingham Construction Industry Authority, 3600 Fourth Avenue South, Birmingham, AL 35222
- c. Reed Construction Data Office, 30 Technology Pkwy. South, Suite 500, Norcross, GA 30092-2912.

d. McGraw Hill Construction, 3535 Grandview Parkway Birmingham, AL 35243.

One set of the Bid documents will be issued by the Owners Design Consultant Williams Blackstock Architects to qualified bidders upon deposit of \$150.00, by check drawn to the order of UAB. Deposits will be refunded in full to bona fide General Contract bidders, and the difference between deposits and cost of reproduction and handling will be refunded to others, upon return of all documents in good condition. Deposits will be forfeited if bid documents are not returned within ten (10) days after the Bid Opening.

There will be a **MANDATORY PRE-BID** Meeting on **September 22, 2009** at 10:00 a.m. CST to be held at UAB Facilities Conference Center Building located adjacent to the UAB Facilities Administration Building, 801 6th Avenue South, Birmingham, Alabama 35294. All pre-qualified General Contractor bidders are required to attend the Pre-Bid Conference. There will also be a **MANDATORY** Meeting with **MBE/WBE** Contractors following the Pre-Bid at 11:00 a.m. CST. The Owner (The University of Alabama at Birmingham-Board of Trustees) will not accept or consider bids from pre-qualified General Contractors that have not attended the Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference and the MBE/WBE Contractors meeting.

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