

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals will be received by the Randolph County Purchasing Office in Asheboro, NC, in Meeting Room A (first floor) of the Randolph County Public Building, 725 McDowell Road, Asheboro, NC 27205 up to 3:00 pm Wednesday, August, 30, 2023 and immediately thereafter publicly opened and read for the furnishing of labor, material and equipment entering into the construction of

Randolph County Farm, Food, & Family Education Center

This agricultural education campus will be known as the Farm, Food & Family Education Center (F3EC). F3EC will have the mission of being a dynamic, innovative, and collaborative place for people and organizations to build farm, food, and family systems that strengthen economies, enhance resiliency, and build community. The F3EC will be sited in Asheboro, NC, on Highway 64 between East Salisbury Street and Vista Parkway.

The F3EC will be comprised of several agricultural - and community -focused buildings including a Food and Family Resource Center (FFRC), a Training and Event Center (TEC), an equipment workshop and shed, a greenhouse, a raw materials storage building, and pastureland for agricultural uses.

Bids will be received for single prime contract. All proposals shall be lump sum.

PRE-BID MEETING

An open pre-bid meeting will be held for all interested bidders at 2:30 pm Wednesday, August 9, 2023 in Meeting Room A (first floor) of the Randolph County Public Building, 725 McDowell Road, Asheboro, NC 27205. The meeting will address project specific questions, issues, bidding procedures and bid forms.

The meeting is also to identify preferred brand alternates and their performance standards that the owner will consider for approval on this project. In accordance with General Statute GS 133-3, Specifications may list one or more preferred brands as an alternate to the base bid in limited circumstances. Specifications containing a preferred brand alternate under this section must identify the performance standards that support the preference. Performance standards for the preference must be approved in advance by the owner in an open meeting. Any alternate approved by the owner shall be approved only where (i) the preferred alternate will provide cost savings, maintain or improve the functioning of any process or system affected by the preferred item or items, or both, and (ii) a justification identifying these criteria is made available in writing to the public.

In accordance with GS133-3 and SCO procedures the following preferred brand items are being considered as Alternates by the owner for this project:

- A. HVAC Controls System by Hoffman Building Technologies.
- B. Fire Alarm System by Firelite by Honeywell.
- C. HVAC equipment by Carrier.

Justification of any approvals will be made available to the public in writing no later than seven (7) days prior to bid date.

Complete plans, specifications and contract documents can be obtained from Accent Imaging, www.accentimaging.com or planscope.com, 8121 Brownleigh Drive, Raleigh, NC 27617, 800-280-0755 phone, 800-477-0755 fax after Monday, July 31, 2023.

A refundable plan deposit of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) in cash, check payable to Accent Imaging, or credit card is required for each set. Contractor will be required to pay for all shipping. The full plan deposit will be returned to those bidders provided all documents are returned in good, usable condition within ten (10) days after the bid date.

In addition to the use of the Accent Imaging plan room, digital copies of the documents will also be available at the following online plan rooms:

- Carolinas Associated General Contractors (CAGC) iSqFt online plan room at www.cagc.org or www.isqft.com/cagc.
- Dodge (McGraw Hill Construction) online plan room at www.construction.com/dodge.
- Construction Market Data (CCMD, formerly Reed Construction Data) online plan room at www.cmdgroup.com.

Minority Plan rooms:

- Hispanic Contractors Association of the Carolinas (HCAC) at www.hcacarolinas.org.
- The Institute (North Carolina Institute of Minority Economic Development (NCIMED)) at www.theinstitutenc.org.

BID OPENING

Sealed proposals will be received by Lisa Garner until 3:00 pm on Wednesday, August 30, 2023, at Randolph County Public Building, Meeting Room A (First Floor), 725 McDowell St, Asheboro, NC for the construction of Randolph County Farm, Food, & Family Education Center at which time and place bids will be opened and read.

The County is requiring the use of a 2 envelope system for all bids. The first envelope should include the "Bid Guarantee" (copy of the bid bond), marked as such, and attached to the sealed envelope containing the bidder's proposal. The second envelope should be sealed, and marked "Bid Proposal" with the following information on the outside of the envelope:

- Bidders Name and Address
- North Carolina Contractor's License Number
- Name of Project

NOTE: The bidder shall include with the bid proposal the form *Identification of Minority Business Participation* identifying the minority business participation it will use on the project and shall include either *Affidavit A* or *Affidavit B* as applicable. Forms and instructions are included within the Proposal Form in the bid documents. Failure to complete these forms is grounds for rejection of the bid. (GS143-128.2c Effective 1/1/2002.)

All contractors are hereby notified that they must have proper license as required under the state laws governing their respective trades.

General contractors are notified that Chapter 87, Article 1, General Statutes of North Carolina, will be observed in receiving and awarding general contracts. General contractors submitting bids on this project must have license classification for Building Contractor – Unlimited. (*set forth the license classification required by the NC General Contractors Licensing Board under G.S. 87-1*)

NOTE--SINGLE PRIME CONTRACTS: Under GS 87-1, a contractor that superintends or manages construction of any building, highway, public utility, grading, structure or improvement shall be deemed a "general contractor" and shall be so licensed. Therefore a single prime project that involves other trades will require the single prime contractor to hold a proper General Contractors license. **EXCEPT**: On public buildings being bid single prime, where the total value of the general construction does not exceed 25% of the total construction value, contractors under GS87- Arts 2 and 4 (Plumbing, Mechanical & Electrical) may bid and contract directly with the Owner as the SINGLE PRIME CONTRACTOR and may subcontract to other properly licensed trades. [GS87-1.1- Rules .0210](#)

Each proposal shall be accompanied by a cash deposit or a certified check drawn on some bank or trust company, insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, of an amount equal to not less than five percent (5%) of the proposal, or in lieu thereof a bidder may offer a bid bond of five percent (5%) of the bid executed by a surety company licensed under the laws of North Carolina to execute the contract in accordance with the bid bond. Said deposit shall be retained by the owner as liquidated damages in event of failure of the successful bidder to execute the contract within ten days after the award or to give satisfactory surety as required by law.

A performance bond and a payment bond will be required for one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price.

Payment will be made based on ninety-five percent (95%) of monthly estimates and final payment made upon completion and acceptance of work.

No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids for a period of 30 days.

The owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive informalities.

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