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## NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

The City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge (City-Parish) will receive electronic or paper bids for the construction of the following project:

## PRIDE FIRE DISTRICT - INDIAN MOUND STATION GREENWELL SPRINGS ROAD AND LIBERTY ROAD, CENTRAL, LA 70739

## CITY PARISH PROJECT NO. 21-ASC-CP-1580

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Installation of new four-bay fire station and EMS station, including training rooms, offices and living quarters and corresponding site improvements.

**Bid Package** with **Plans** and **Specifications** may be obtained online at <u>www.centralbidding.com.</u> For **questions related to the electronic bidding process, please call Central Bidding at (225) 810-4814.** Alternately, paper copies may be obtained through most reprographic vendors for their printing cost. All Bids shall be made on the Bid Package Forms.

**Statutory Forms** (Bid Package Part 1-A) shall be submitted to the Purchasing Division *prior to Bid Opening*:

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters Attestation of No Past Criminal Convictions Legal Citizen Affidavit Non-Collusion & Non-Solicitation Affidavit

**Bid Forms** (Bid Package Part 1) submitted shall be accompanied by a Certified Check or Cashier's Check payable to the Parish of East Baton Rouge, or a satisfactory **Bid Bond** executed by the Bidder and an acceptable surety, in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid.

**Contractors must hold an active license** issued by the State of Louisiana Licensing Board for Contractors in the classification of **Building Construction**, and must show their license number on the face of the bid envelope. All Contractors bidding on this work shall comply with all provisions of the State Licensing Law for Contractors, La RS 37:2150-2163 for all public contracts. It shall also be the responsibility of the General Contractor to assure that all subcontractors comply with this law.

Bids will be received ONLY electronically through <u>www.centralbidding.com</u> until the BID OPENING 2:00 PM Local Time, Thursday, May 22, 2025 with no exceptions. In no event shall paper solicitation forms will be received by Purchasing.

**At Bid Opening** in Purchasing Division 8th Floor Room 826 City Hall 222 St Louis St Baton Rouge, LA 70802, electronic Bids and Bid Bonds will be downloaded, then all electronic Bids will be publicly read aloud immediately after the 2:00 PM bid closing. Bidders and/or their authorized representatives are invited. Bid results can also be viewed at the link: <u>http://city.brla.gov/dept/purchase/bidresults.asp</u>

Bid Openings can be observed via teleconference.

Teleconference Call-in Information

Join by phone +1-408-418-9388 United States Toll Access code: 263 373 080 (followed by the # button)

Alternate numbers to call if number above is not available, which may occur due to network traffic (use the same Access Code, followed by the # button): United States Toll (Boston) +1-617-315-0704 United States Toll (Chicago) +1-312-535-8110 United States Toll (Dallas) +1-469-210-7159 United States Toll (Denver) +1-720-650-7664 United States Toll (Jacksonville) +1-904-900-2303 United States Toll (Los Angeles) +1-213-306-3065

**The contract shall be awarded to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder.** In accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute (La RS) 38:2214 B, the City-Parish reserves the right to reject any and all bids exceeding the preconstruction cost estimate, or for just cause. In accordance with La RS 38:2212 B (1), the provisions and requirements stated in the Bid Package and this advertisement shall not be waived by any entity. Bids shall be firm for a period of 45 days from the date of the Bid Opening, except as allowed per La RS 38:2214 C.

The City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge has established a Socially and Economically Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (SEDBE) program in accordance with Revised Statute RS 33:2233.4. It is the policy of the Parish to ensure that Eligible Business Enterprises EBE's, certified in accordance with the Parish program, have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in parish contracts.

For this project the EBR Parish Purchasing office has directed a review of the scope of work and has established a minimum EBE goal of 7% of the contract amount. All Bidders shall achieve this goal or demonstrate good faith efforts to achieve the goal. Good faith efforts include meeting this EBE goal or providing documentation demonstrating that the Bidder made sufficient good faith efforts in attempting to meet this goal. Only EBE firms certified under the Parish SEDBE Certification Program at the time of submittal of the bid will count toward this EBE goal. To be considered responsive, the apparent low bidder must submit EBE Forms 1, 1A, and 2, and Letters of EBE Certification, as appropriate within 10 days after bid opening.

**Bidders must comply with the SEDBE Program**. Copies of SEDBE Program documents are available upon request from City of Baton Rouge and Parish of East Baton Rouge ("City-Parish") Purchasing Division, 222 St. Louis Street, 8th Floor, Room 826, Baton Rouge, LA 70802. For questions or clarification about the Program, please contact the SEDBE Liaison Officer at the Purchasing Division, at (225) 389-3259.

A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at <u>11:00 AM on Tuesday, May 6<sup>th</sup></u>, at Meeting Room 1, Central Branch Library, 11260 Joor Rd., Central, LA 70818. Only those prime bidders who participated in the pre-bid are eligible to receive an award on this project.

**For additional information** regarding the construction documents, please contact **Bid** related: Purchasing Division (225) 389-3259; **General Documents** related: Rob Gray, AIA, LEED BD+C, (225) 389-4694 or <u>rgray@brla.gov</u> and **Construction Documents** related: Alison Melancon, AIA, (225) 767-1717 or <u>AMelancon@mougeotarchitecture.com</u>.