

SECTION 00 11 16 - INVITATION TO BID

The Board of Trustees of the University of Arkansas for and on behalf of the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, hereinafter the Owner, invite you to submit a sealed bid for the Senior Walk 2021-2025 Project located long W. Maple Street, N. Razorback Road, Cleveland Street, and Garland Avenue in Fayetteville, Arkansas.

The Owner will receive bids until 2:00 p.m., local time, October 18, 2022. Bids may be mailed or delivered to the University of Arkansas Facilities Management (FAMA), 521 South Razorback Road, Fayetteville, AR 72701, Attn. Kristen Knight. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the FAMA Main Conference Room A103 at the time and date mentioned. Bids received after this time will not be accepted.

The Owner, unless designated to another entity, supervises the bidding and awarding of all construction contracts, approves contracts, change orders, requests for payment and ensures that on-site inspections are accomplished.

A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at 9:00 AM on Wednesday, October 5, 2022 at University of Arkansas Facilities Management (FAMA) Main Conference Room A103, 521 South Razorback Road, Fayetteville, AR 72701. A tour of the project site will follow. Subcontractors are strongly encouraged to attend this meeting but are not required to attend. The Owner reserves the right to schedule additional meetings.

The work includes General Construction to be let under one prime contract.

Bid Security: A cashier's check or acceptable Bid Bond payable to the University of Arkansas in an amount not less than 5% of the base bid submitted must accompany each bid as a guarantee that, if awarded the contract, the bidder will promptly enter into a contract and execute such bonds as may be required. If a Bid Bond is provided, the Bond must be signed by an authorized agent of the Bonding Company and the agent's power of attorney must be submitted with the Bid Bond.

Copies of drawings, specification and other proposed contract documents are on file and open to inspection at the following places.

Olsson, Inc. (302 E. Millsap Road, Fayetteville, AR 72703)

Southern Reprographics Plan Room (Fayetteville, Bentonville, and Little Rock locations)

Bidding Documents and Plans must be obtained by contacting Olsson, Inc. These documents are available from the Engineer electronically in .pdf format at no fee. All contractors intending on bidding SHALL register as a plan holder by notifying Amy Smith, Project Administrator, via e-mail at asmith@olsson.com. When registering as a plan holder, contractors shall submit primary contact information including name of contractor, primary contact, email address, phone number, and physical address.

Complete sets of Bid Documents should be used in preparing bids. Neither the University of Arkansas nor Olsson assumes responsibility for errors in bidding or misinterpretations of Bid Documents resulting from the use of incomplete sets of Bid Documents. The documents obtained through Olsson are considered the official version and take precedence if any discrepancies occur. The use of incomplete or inaccurate Bid Documents does not relieve the bidder of the obligation to perform all work related to his bid as detailed in a complete set of Bid Documents.

All bidders shall conform to the requirements of Arkansas Code Annotated § 17-25-101, Arkansas State Licensing Law for Contractors.

Bidders are hereby notified that any bidder who desires to enter into Contract for this work must comply with disclosure requirements pursuant to Governor Executive Order 98-04. Submission to the Owner of completed Disclosure forms will be a condition of the Contract. The Owner cannot enter into any contract, which does not obligate the contractor to require the submission of Disclosure forms for subcontractors.

Pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated § 22-9-203, the University of Arkansas encourages all small, minority, and women owned business enterprises to submit bids for capital improvements. Encouragement is also made to all general contractors that in the event they subcontract portions of their work, consideration is given to the identified groups.

This invitation does not commit the Owner to pay any cost incurred in the preparation of bids.

The University of Arkansas reserves the right to waive any formalities in, or to reject any or all bids.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within 60 days after the date of the opening thereof.

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