

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed proposals will be received by the University of North Carolina – Charlotte in Charlotte, NC, in Room 119 of the Facilities Management/Police building (#55 on the campus map – <http://facilities.uncc.edu/maps>) until **2:00 pm on Thursday, September 28, 2017** and immediately thereafter publicly opened and read for the furnishing of labor, material and equipment entering into the construction of:

Admissions and Visitors Center The University of North Carolina at Charlotte

The project is a new two story 18,676 GSF building for the University of North Carolina at Charlotte to house the Undergraduate Admissions Department and a Visitors Center for UNC Charlotte. The building has a welcome reception area, auditorium, meeting space, a visit guide suite, interview rooms and offices for the Undergraduate Admissions Department. The project includes Architectural, MEP/FP, Telecom//AV Structural, Civil and Landscape work.

Bids will be received for *Single Prime contract*. All proposals shall be lump sum.

Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held for all interested bidders on Thursday August 31, 2107 at 2:00 p.m. in Room 145 of the Health and Human Services (CHHS) building (#63 on the campus map). The meeting will address project specific questions, issues, bidding procedures and bid forms. After the prebid meeting there will be a site visit to go over the project scope and location. **This will be the only opportunity for contractors and their subcontractors to visit the site, so please have all interested parties in attendance.**

Visitor parking is located in the Union Deck adjacent to the Student Union or Cone Deck 1 & 2.

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:

- OPA 01: Von Duprin 98 Series Exit Devices
- OPA 02: LCN 4011/4111 Door Closers
- OPA 03: LCN 9500 Auto Openers
- OPA 04: Schlage Locksets
- OPA 05: Open Options Access Control
- OPA 06: Pine Hall English Pave Brick Pavers

OPA 07: Forterra Morrocroft Special FaceBrick Units
OPA 08: Simplex Grinnell Fire Alarm System
OPA 09: Crestron Control System
OPA 10: PME S&C Electrical Switch
OPA 11: Knox 1300 Series Cabinet Knox Box
OPA 12: Locking Systems International Key Systems Security Asset Management Systems (SAM)

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

Bidders' questions will be entertained in writing until 5:00 pm on Thursday, September 14, 2017. Address all questions to the designer, Watson Tate Savory, Inc. - Attn: Jana Hartenstine, ihartenstine@watsontatesavory.com.

Final addenda will be issued Thursday, September 21, 2017.

Complete plans, specifications and contract documents will be open for inspection in the offices of:

1. Designer: Watson Tate Savory, Inc. 1307 W. Morehead Street, Charlotte N.C. 28208 Suite 101. Bidders shall call Tommy Barry at 704-749-5181 x 212 in advance to make an appointment to review documents 24 hours in advance.

2. Owner: UNC Charlotte, Facilities Management/Police Building, 2nd floor – Capital Projects, 9151 Cameron Blvd, Charlotte, NC 28223, Phone: (704) 687-0615

or may be obtained from Watson Tate Savory, Inc., upon deposit of Four Hundred and fifty dollars (\$450.00) in cash or certified check. 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.

Electronic copies of the plans, specifications and contract documents will also be provided electronically to all bidders. Contact for electronic plans and specifications: Watson Tate Savory, Inc.

- a. Please notify Tommy Barry (tbarry@watsontatesavory.com) by email with Subject line exactly as follows: "Admissions&Visitors; (your company name); BID DOCUMENT REQUEST".
- b. Include your company name, contact information, emails, phone numbers in the body of your email. A bidders list will be developed from this information.
- c. Please cc: ihartenstine@watsontatesavory.com

Digital (Electronic) plans, specifications and contract documents are available at the following:

1. Construct Connect at content@constructconnect.com, (800) 364-2059
2. North Carolina Offices of Dodge Data & Analytics (formerly McGraw-Hill Construction) – Customer Service – (800) 393-6343
3. Metrolina Minority Contractors Association (MMCA) – mmca@mmcaofcharlotte.org, (877) 526-6205

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" (*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.

Bidders who will not attend the Bid Opening need to ensure their sealed bids are delivered no later than **12:00 p.m. Thursday, September 28, 2017** to the following:

Mailed Proposals:

Attn: Ms. Joyce Clay – Capital Projects
The University of North Carolina at Charlotte

Facilities Management – Capital Projects
9201 University City Boulevard
Charlotte, NC 28223-0001

Or

Hand Delivered:

Attn: Ms. Joyce Clay – Capital Projects
Facilities Management/Police Building
2nd Floor – Capital Projects
9151 Cameron Boulevard
Charlotte, NC 28223
(704) 687-0615

Designer:

Watson Tate Savory, Inc.
1307 W. Morehead Street
Suite 101
Charlotte, NC 28208
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Owner:

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