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The University of South Florida (USF), announces that Qualifications Based Design/Build Services, for design and construction services will be required for the project listed below.

PROJECT NUMBER: USF-521
PROJECT AND LOCATION: USF Health Taneja College of Pharmacy, University of South Florida, Downtown Tampa, Florida.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project consists of the programming, design and interior fit-out required to relocate the Taneja College of Pharmacy to the new building housing the USF Health Morsani College of Medicine and Heart Institute in Downtown Tampa. The goal of the project is to provide first rate facilities necessary to support innovative curriculum design and to enhance student recruitment for the College. Since accepting its first student class in 2011, the Taneja College of Pharmacy (TCOP) has achieved national recognition, rankings, and professional stature in less than ten years. Integration of the TCOP into the Downtown Tampa center will allow expansion of the innovative pedagogic platforms in the building and will enhance inter-professional education programs and joint teaching endeavors.

The project will occupy approximately one half of the twelfth floor and all of the eleventh floor of the building, with an anticipated floor area of 30,305 square feet. The project will be required to integrate into the existing building mechanical, electrical and life safety systems, and is anticipated to extend many of the classroom technologies and innovative educational initiatives in the Morsani College of Medicine. The total estimated project budget is $16,650,180 and the anticipated construction cost is $11,800,000.

The Downtown Tampa project was initiated by USF Health to partner with Strategic Property Partners (SPP) and the City of Tampa as part of a “WELL Certified” city district designation and the building is anticipating certification as LEED Silver. USF Health’s vision for the downtown project is to leverage technology to achieve the educational and research goals of USF Health, and to reflect the image and brand of USF in the downtown environment.

The Design/Build Team, also known as the Design and Construction Services Team (DCST) shall be responsible for the management of the process and project to meet project scope, budget and schedule requirements. The DCST services contract shall be in compliance with the Qualifications Based Design/Build selection provisions in Section 287.055, Florida Statues, and Board of Governors Regulation 14.0055, including pre-construction fees, construction related service costs and a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP).

It is the University’s responsibility to negotiate a fair, competitive and reasonable compensation per Section 287.055, Florida Statutes. A fair, competitive and reasonable compensation shall be evaluated based upon the following information: (1) Compensation on similar projects; (2) other compensation reference data; and (3) after approval of the ranking, proposals requested from the shortlisted firms based upon a scope of services document to be provided at the time of negotiations.

USF will contract with a single contract entity DCST who shall provide all services including, but not limited to development of the Facilities Program, professional services, budgeting, cost estimating, construction services, labor, materials, and equipment required to program design, construct, and furnish the project. The selected team will be required to provide computer drawings according to the standards of USF, including computer record drawings reflecting as-built conditions. Blanket professional design liability insurance will be required for this project in the amount of $2,000,000.00 and will be provided as a part of Basic Services. The respondent must be capable of bonding at 100% of the value of the contract with a surety licensed to do business in the State of Florida with a Best Rating A, Class IX. Project development including professional services is contingent upon availability of funds. If additional funding is realized, USF
has the option to incorporate additional scope/funding under this contract. Any new construction projects shall be USGBC LEED certified, to a minimum certification level of Silver, as required by the Owner, and shall be included as part of Basic Services and will not be considered as an additional service.

INSTRUCTIONS:
Teams desiring to apply for consideration shall submit a Request for Qualification submittal consisting of the information as required in the Submittal Requirements of the Request for Qualifications (RFQ), including a letter of interest, a completed USF Design and Construction Services Qualification Supplement (DCSQS) with attachments, and any required or additional information within the proposal limits as described in the RFQ. Applications on any other form may not be considered. The RFQ and the DCSQS which includes project information and selection criteria, may be obtained by contacting Terry Mead, Administrative Specialist, Facilities Management - Design and Construction, University of South Florida, 3820 USF Holly Drive / OPM 100, Tampa, FL 33620-7550, email: tmead@usf.edu, (813) 974-0843, fax: (813) 974-3542. Applications which do not comply with the above instructions may be disqualified. Submittals are part of the public record. Application materials will not be returned. Teams must be properly registered to practice its profession(s) and licensed as General Contractor in the State of Florida at the time of application. If the applicant is a corporation, or a joint venture, it must be chartered by the Florida Department of State to operate in Florida at the time of application. Firms applying as “Associations” without a registered joint venture agreement or a contract entity and consultant without an agreement will not be considered.

Pre-Submittal Meeting: All interested firms are invited and encouraged to attend a Pre-Submittal Meeting to be held at 3:00 PM EST, March 25, 2020, at the: University of South Florida, Tampa Campus, Parking and Transportation Building Conference Room, 13311 USF Plum Drive, Tampa, FL 33620, to review the scope and requirements of this project. (Directions and parking information can be obtained at the Campus Information Center at the Fowler entrance, or view map at website: www.usf.edu/administrative-services/parking/maps/index.aspx).

Request for Meetings: Requests for meetings by individual firms will not be granted. No communication shall take place between the applicants and the Selection Committee members or employees of USF, except as provided at the Pre-Submittal Meeting, the Pre-Interview Meeting and in the USF Design and Construction Services Qualification Supplement (DCSQS) and Request for Qualifications (RFQ) (which includes project information and selection criteria).

Request for Information: Requests for any project information, including the DCSQS and RFQ must be submitted in writing or email to: Terry Mead, Administrative Specialist, Facilities Management - Design and Construction, University of South Florida, 3820 USF Holly Drive / OPM 100, Tampa, FL 33620-7550, email: tmead@usf.edu, (813) 974-0843, or fax: (813) 974-3542.

Submission: One (1) electronic version, one (1) original and six (6) spiral-bound copies of the submittals are to be submitted to the attention of Terry Mead, Administrative Specialist, Facilities Management - Design and Construction, University of South Florida, 3820 USF Holly Drive / OPM 100, Tampa, FL 33620-7550 by 2:00 PM EST, April 9, 2020. Facsimile (FAX) or electronic submittals are not acceptable and will not be considered. Submittals that do not comply with the above instructions may be disqualified. The award of this contract is subject to availability of funds. The University reserves the right to suspend, discontinue or cancel the selection process at any time and reject any or all submissions without obligation to the respondent.

PROJECT SELECTION CRITERIA:
Selection of finalists for interview will be made on the basis of professional qualifications of the proposed DCST, including team qualifications, team experience, and ability to provide services in meeting the project requirements and the goals and objectives of the of the project and USF Strategic Plan.

As part of the USF Strategic Plan, USF made a commitment to foster a diverse community distinguished by a shared purpose, collaboration, open and timely communication, mutual respect, trust, and inclusiveness. USF is an equal opportunity institution, and, as such, strongly encourages the lawful use of Certified Business Enterprise (CBE) including certified Minority (MBE), Women (WBE), and Veteran (VBE)
Business Enterprises in the provision of design and construction-related services by providing a fair and equal opportunity to compete for, or to participate in design and/or construction-related services.

The plans and specifications for the USF projects are subject to reuse in accordance with the provisions of Section 287.055, Florida Statutes.

As required by Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, a consultant may not submit a proposal for this project if it is on the convicted vendor list for a public entity crime committed within the past 36 months. The selected consultant must warrant that it will neither utilize the services of, nor contract with, any supplier, subcontractor, or consultant in excess of $25,000.00 in connection with this project for a period of 36 months from the date of their being placed on the convicted vendor list.