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Office of Capital Projects

Designer Recommendation

Date: March 12, 2021

Project: West Volunteer Streetscape
UT Knoxville
SBC 540/009-05-2021

Category: Standard

Total Budget: \$13,000,000

MACC: \$10,780,000

Designer Fee: \$641,381

Project Approved: March 11, 2021

This project will complete the streetscape for Volunteer Boulevard extending the streetscaping from UT Drive to Cumberland Avenue on the west end of Campus.

1. Ross/Fowler, P.C.

Ross/Fowler's project experience covers multiple projects across the UT Knoxville campus as well as working with the UT Chattanooga campus. Projects cited are also similar to this project scope and budget. They have been a good design partner through the years and understand the desired needs of the campus. Their staff is experienced and were major components in the design of the projects cited. Consultants include Cannon & Cannon, Inc. (Civil Engineering), Vreeland Engineers, Inc. (Electrical Engineering), and CDM Smith, Inc. (Traffic Engineering).

2. Barge Design Solutions, Inc.

Barge Design's project qualifications include work not only for the UT Knoxville campus, but covers work for the City of Knoxville and Birmingham. The work for municipalities include streetscape work which is similar to this project scope. Project staff are knowledgeable with offices throughout the state who will be supporting this project. All project disciplines can be handled in-house and includes landscaping, surveying, civil, structural, and environmental engineering.

3. IBI Group Architects, Engineers, and Landscape Architects, a New York General Partnership

IBI Group's project references include work for the UT Knoxville campus as well as similar work for another municipality. Work highlighted represents their breadth of capabilities in streetscape, stormwater banking, and building site enhancement. They have worked with the campus previously and have provided good service. Their staff is experienced with the following consultants: Vaughn & Melton Consulting Engineers (Civil Engineering) and Facility Systems Consultants (Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing Engineers).

A total of 4 firms submitted qualifications. Other firm submitting is as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Firm Name, Location. Row 1: Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., Nashville



**Designer Recommendations**

Project: TSU Electrical Upgrades Phase 2  
 Category: Standard  
 Total Budget: \$5,000,000  
 MACC: \$4,240,500  
 Designer Fee: \$338,703  
 SBC Project No: 166/001-03-2020  
 SBC/OSA Approval: 09/10/2020

Upgrade campus electrical infrastructure based on the recently completed Electrical Master Plan. This solicitation is in the form of a RFQ located on our RFPs-RFQs website. Proposals from qualified engineering firms should be submitted in accordance with the RFQ. The total project MACC is expected to be in the range of \$20M.

**1. I.C. Thomasson Associates, Inc.**

The firm demonstrated relevant experience with projects at TSU, TTU, Vanderbilt, Stream, Metro, Opryland Hotel and the Nashville International Airport. The Vanderbilt project is very similar in that it replaced the 4.16KV electrical distribution system with a more modern 13.8KV system. The primary office and all professional staff are located in Nashville. ICT has in-depth experience with NES staff in support of a wide range of commercial and industrial projects within the greater Nashville area. The firm notes experience with NES design standards and collaboration thru the design process. Their plan is to include NES in all meeting requests and to ask for review of all appropriate design documents.

**A total of 3 firms submitted Letters of Interest for this project:**

Firm Name	Location
Allen & Hoshall, Inc.	Nashville
Edmonds Engineering, Inc.	Nashville
I.C. Thomasson Associates, Inc.	Nashville