

**ADVERTISEMENT for BIDDER PRE-QUALIFICATION and  
NOTICE of INTENT to RECEIVE BIDS from  
PRE-QUALIFIED BIDDERS**

Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs, as Owner and Awarding Authority, requests Submittals from General Contractors to identify qualified Bidders for the construction of:

**Floyd E. “Tut” Fann State Veterans Home Renovation in Huntsville, AL  
AND/OR  
William F. Green State Veterans Home in Bay Minette, AL**

**NOTE: These projects are similar but are being bid separately.**

WBA Project No.: 17-008 (Both Projects)  
ABC Project No.: 2017214 (Both Projects)  
ADPH Project No. - Tut Fann: B-18-042  
ADPH Project No. – WFG: B-18-048

On behalf of the Owner’s Representative, Mrs. Kimberly Justice, and the Office of Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs, pre-Qualification submittals will be received by the Architect’s Project Manager, **Sean Whitt at the Architect’s office: Williams Blackstock Architects, 2204 1st Avenue South, Suite 200, Birmingham, AL 35233, until 5:00 PM CST on Thursday, August 16, 2018.** The original and three duplicates of submittals are required for pre-qualification approval. Facsimile and/or email copies may be transmitted and then followed up within 24 hours with 3 originals.

**A. SCOPE OF WORK:**

Both projects primarily consist of the renovation of resident rooms, corridors, public restrooms and common areas. The work in both projects involves an area of approximately 70,000 SF which is roughly three-quarters of the overall building area for each building. A basement at Tut Fann which has an area of approximately 3,300 SF is being created beneath the main level as a new storage area. William F. Green differs because it does not have a basement.

The focus of the renovations in both projects involves the replacement of interior finishes; however, some MEP & FP upgrades are also included in the scope. The build-out of porch areas and/or the reconfiguration of some interior walls to create more living room/dining room spaces for residents are included in both projects as bid alternates. Since both buildings will be occupied by residents that cannot be relocated, the projects are broken down into phases to maintain the safety and security of residents during construction.

## **B. GENERAL CONTRACTOR BIDDER PRE-QUALIFICATIONS:**

The pre-qualification procedure is intended to identify responsible and competent General Contractor bidders relative to the requirements of the Project. Only approved General Contractor bidders who have been pre-qualified will be eligible to submit a bid for the Project. General Contractors who are interested in being pre-qualified may review a preliminary set of drawings which has been posted to Alabama Graphics Digital Plan Room for reference only. **Bid documents will not be posted until Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>** at the locations described below.

General Contractor Bidders interested in submitting a proposal for either project must apply for pre-qualification and must be licensed under the Provision of Title 34, Chapter 8, and Code of Alabama, 1975. A copy of current Alabama Contractors License is to be included in the pre-qualification submittal. Contractors who are interested in submitting a proposal for both projects must only submit one pre-qualification package; however, they are to notify the architect of their intention to submit two-proposals and address both projects in their pre-qualification submittal.

A Pre-Qualification Requirements Information Package may be obtained from the Architect upon letterhead request. To be considered, the completed application must be received as specified in the Pre-Qualification Requirements Information Package. Requests for information or clarification shall be submitted to the Architect's Project Manager in writing at least two days prior to the due date. In order to expedite the process for information or clarification from the Architect, requests may be submitted by facsimile and/or email transmission.

Pre-qualification submittals shall be clearly identified on the exterior of the package with the prospective bidder's name, address, and Alabama Contractor's license number, name of the project(s), and time and place of the submittal deadline. Pre-qualification application and support documents shall be submitted in sealed envelope or package.

Each prospective General Contractor Bidder will be notified of the results of the pre-qualification, no later than **Monday, August 20, 2018** by 5:00 PM CST via email.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any technical errors in application or to abandon the Pre-qualification process if the interest of the Owner appears to be promoted thereby.

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**C. BIDS BY PRE-QUALIFIED GENERAL CONTRACTOR BIDDERS:**

Bids for both projects will be received from Pre-Qualified Bidders until 2:00 p.m. CST on **Tuesday, September 18th** and will thereafter be publicly opened and read aloud at the conference room in the office of Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs, 100 N. Union Street, Suite 850, Montgomery, AL 36104. Bids must be submitted on Proposal Forms furnished. Bids shall be clearly identified on the exterior of the package with the bidder's name, address, State license number, the name of the project being bid, time and place of the bid opening. Sealed bids shall be submitted in triplicate and shall be properly identified. All bids received after 2:00 P.M. on **September 18, 2018** will be returned unopened.

Construction Contracts shall be awarded only to qualified Contractors, licensed by the State Licensing Board for General Contractors, as required by Title 34, Chapter 8, Code of Alabama. Formal pre-qualification for bidders is required, and, bidders must be "responsible" in accordance with criteria in the bid documents and as stipulated by Title 39-2-3-(e) of the Code of Alabama.

A Cashier's Check drawn on an Alabama Bank or bid bond, executed by a Surety company duly authorized and qualified to make such bonds in Alabama, payable to Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs in the amount of 5% of the amount of bids, but in no event more than \$10,000.00, must accompany the bidder's bids. Performance and Labor and Material Payment Bonds in the amount of 100% of the contract price will be required when the Contract is presented by the Contractor to the Owner.

Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs has designated that bid documents for both projects be available on **Wednesday, August 22, 2018**. At this time, hard copies of the drawings and specifications may be examined at the office of Williams Blackstock Architects at 2204 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue South, Suite 200, Birmingham, AL 35233 and digital documents will be available for examination at the following plan rooms: McGraw Hill Construction Dodge Plan Room, AGC Internet Plan Room, and Alabama Graphics Digital Plan Room.

One set of the Bid documents will be issued by the Architect Williams Blackstock Architects to qualified bidders upon deposit of \$150.00, by check drawn to the order of Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs. Deposits will be refunded in full to bona fide General Contract bidders, and the difference between deposits and cost of reproduction and handling will be refunded to others, upon return of all documents in good condition. Deposits will be forfeited if bid documents are not returned within ten (10) days after the Bid Opening.

A Pre-Bid Conference for the Floyd E. "Tut" Fann renovation will be held on **Thursday, August 30** at 10:00 am CST in the conference room at Floyd E. "Tut" Fann State Veterans Home, 2701 Meridian Street, Huntsville, AL 35811.

A Pre-Bid Conference for the William F. Green renovation will be held on **Tuesday, September 4** at 10:00 am CST in the conference room at William F. Green State Veterans Home, 300 Faulkner Drive, Bay Minette, AL 36507.

Attendance of the Pre-Bid Conferences by Pre-Qualified General Contractor bidders is highly recommended since tours of the buildings will be limited afterwards.

<u>Publication (2018)</u>	<u>Period Published</u>
Birmingham News:	July 29, August 5 & August 12
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The Press Register (Mobile Register):	July 29, August 5 & August 12