

COUNTY OF FRESNO

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Contract Name: **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
BASEMENT RENOVATION**

Project Address / Location: **1221 FULTON STREET
FRESNO, CA 93721**

Contract Number: **24-S-14**

Bid Opening Date & Time: Thursday, April 3, 2025
2:00 P.M. (1400 hours and 00 seconds)

Sealed Proposals / Bids Received at EITHER (choose ONE):

<https://www.bidexpress.com/businesses/36473/home>

or

Department of Public Works and Planning
Office of the Design Engineer
2220 Tulare St., 7th Floor
Fresno, CA 93721

The work to be done consists, in general, of the redesign and interior improvements of the basement of the Brix-Mercer Building that was previously damaged by flooding. Interior improvements to consist of the assembly of meeting rooms, offices, and storage occupancies including the construction of new walls, carpeting, and painting, with upgrades to the plumbing, mechanical, fire sprinklers, and electrical systems.

Pre-bid Conference: Mandatory
10:00 A.M. on Wednesday, March 12, 2025
1221 Fulton Street
Fresno, CA 93721

Planholders website "Contractor Bidding Opportunities"
<http://www.fresnocountyca.gov/planholders>

Requests for Clarification (RFC) Deadline & Form
<http://www.fresnocountyca.gov/Departments/Public-Works-and-Planning/Construction-Bidding-Opportunities/24-S-14-Department-of-Public-Health-Basement-Renovation/Request-for-Clarification-Form>
no later than 2:00 p.m. on the tenth (10th) calendar day before bid opening

Bid Submission Questions DesignServices@fresnocountyca.gov
(559) 353-4919 or (559) 600-4543

Request to be Added to Planholders Form <https://www.fresnocountyca.gov/Departments/Public-Works-and-Planning/Construction-Bidding-Opportunities/Request-to-Be-Added-to-the-Planholders-List-Form>

Architect's Estimate Range \$8,400,000 - \$9,200,000

Working Days (Section 005213) All work within three hundred ten (310) working days

Required Valid California Contractor's License
Class B (General Building Contractor)

Basis of Bid: Bids are required for the entire work described herein. Bids will be compared on the basis of the total lump sum bid.

Project Details: Electronic copies, in ".pdf" file format, of the official project plans and specifications, bid books and proposal sheets, and such additional supplemental project information as may be provided, are available to view, download, and print on the Planholders website.

This project is funded by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA).

Bid Opening: Promptly following the closing of the bidding all timely submitted bids will be publicly opened and viewable via a livestream (the link for which will be posted at) for construction in accordance with the project specifications therefor. A bid summary of the bids received will be posted to the project's website, generally within twenty-four (24) hours of the bid opening.

The apparent lowest bidder shall submit a Cost Distribution of the bid, otherwise known as a "Schedule of Values," (refer to Section 002113 Instructions to Bidders 1.16 Post-Bid / Pre-Award Information and Requirements) within eight (8) days of the Bid Opening.

Planholders: Bidders may fill out a Request to be Added to Planholders list at the link listed above. Requesters will then be listed as a planholder for the project on the website and receive notifications and addenda issued for the project. Prospective bidders may also select the project on www.BidExpress.com. Those that demonstrate interest in the project will be added to the planholders list, and receive notifications and addenda issued for the project. Planholder and exchange/publication names may be obtained from the County of Fresno Planholders website listed above.

Requests for Clarification (RFC) & Addenda: All requests for substitutions (refer to Section 2.45, Substitution of Materials in the General Conditions) and questions regarding this project shall be in writing and shall be received by the Department of Public Works and Planning, Design Division, no later than 2:00 P.M. on the tenth (10th) calendar day prior to bid opening. All substitution requests and questions received after this deadline will not receive a response unless the Department of Public Works and Planning elects to issue an addendum to revise the bid opening date. In the event that the bid opening date is revised, the deadline for questions will be extended to no later than 2:00 P.M. on the tenth (10th) calendar day before the revised bid opening date.

Any changes to, or clarification of, the project plans and specifications shall be in the form of a written addendum issued to planholders of record. Questions that prompt a change or clarification shall be included in the addendum with the subsequent answer.

Any oral explanation or interpretations given to this project are not binding.

Bid Submission Instructions: If a bidder is unable to submit a bid via Bid Express, Bid Books, which contain bid proposal sheets necessary to submit a bid, may be obtained within the Specifications documents posted on the County of Fresno website.

Electronic bids shall be submitted via the Bid Express website.

Hardcopy bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope addressed to the "Department of Public Works and Planning, Office of the Design Engineer" and labeled with the name of the bidder, contract number, name of the project, and the statement "Do Not Open Until The Time Of Bid Opening."

Bid Security: Bid security in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the amount of the bid, and in the form of a bid bond issued by an admitted surety insurer licensed by the California Department of Insurance, cash, cashier's check or certified check shall accompany the bid. You must either attach an electronic bid bond or provide an original bid bond (or other form of bid security authorized by Public Contract Code section 20129(a)), prior to the bid opening. Bid security shall be made in favor of *the County of Fresno*.

Hardcopy bid bonds shall be submitted in a sealed envelope addressed to "Department of Public Works and Planning, Office of the Design Engineer" and labeled with the name of the bidder, contract number, name of the project, and the statement "Do Not Open Until The Time Of Bid Opening – BID BOND."

Each bond specified in this Notice shall be issued by a surety company designated as an admitted surety insurer in good standing with and authorized to transact business in this state by the California Department of Insurance, and acceptable to the County of Fresno. Bidders are cautioned that representations made by surety companies will be verified with the California Department of Insurance. Additionally, the County of Fresno, in its discretion, when determining the sufficiency of a proposed surety company, may require the surety company to provide additional information supported by documentation. The County generally requires such information and documentation whenever the proposed surety company has either a Best's Key Rating Guide of less than **A** and a financial size designation of less than **VIII**. Provided, however, that the County expressly reserves its right to require all information and documentation to which the County is legally entitled from any proposed surety company.

Additional Information and Requirements: No contract will be awarded to a contractor who has not been licensed in accordance with the provisions of the Contractors State License Law, California Business and Professions Code, Division 3, Chapter 9, as amended, or whose bid is not on the proposal form included in the contract document.

This project is subject to the contracting requirements and implementing regulations as amended in Title 13, Section 2449 General Requirements for In-Use Off-Road Diesel-Fueled Fleets, of the California Code of Regulations (13 CCR § 2449(i)). Bidders must submit a valid Certificate of Reported Compliance (CRC) issued by the California Air Resources Control Board at the time of bidding. Bidders are responsible for submitting their listed subcontractors' CRCs and any supporting documentation within five (5) calendar days of the bid opening. Failure to submit the required CRCs may render a bid non-responsive.

Asbestos certification from the Contractors State License Board and registration with the Division of Occupational Safety and Health is not required by the prime contractor to bid on this project, however any firm performing asbestos abatement must hold the proper licenses and certifications to perform the work. [Health and Safety Code 25914.2]

Friable and Non-friable asbestos containing materials (ACM) are to be removed as a part of this project, and it is anticipated that removal of ACM will result in release of airborne asbestos fibers and lead into the atmosphere. Refer to the asbestos report under Supplemental Information on the project website for more information regarding locations and quantities of identified asbestos-containing materials as well as locations of identified lead-based paint and lead-containing paint to be impacted as part of the scope of work.

The Contractor and their subcontractors shall comply with all applicable statutes and regulations, and all provisions of Sections 2.51, 2.52 and 2.55 of the General Conditions, regarding payment of wages, hours of work and all other labor compliance issues.

Pursuant to Section 1773 of the Labor Code, the general prevailing wage rates in the county, or counties, in which the work is to be done have been determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations. These wages are set forth in the General Prevailing Wage Rates for this project, available at County of Fresno, Department of Public Works and Planning, 2220 Tulare Street, Sixth (6th) Floor, Fresno CA 93721-2104 and available from the California Department of Industrial Relations' Internet web site at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR/PWD>. Future effective general prevailing wage rates, which have been predetermined and are on file with the California Department of Industrial Relations are referenced but not printed in the general prevailing wage rates.

The Board of Supervisors hereby specifies that portions of the work can only be performed outside the regular working hours as defined in the applicable collective bargaining agreement filed with the Director of Industrial Relations in accordance with Labor Code section 1773.1, and that the overtime requirements for Saturdays, and holidays are hereby waived for these portions of the work, as more particularly described in the specifications. However, this exemption shall not negate the overtime provisions specified in Labor Code section 1815.

This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations.

No contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal for a public works project unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 [with limited exceptions from this requirement for bid purposes only under Labor Code section 1771.1(a)].

No contractor or subcontractor may be awarded a contract for public work on a public works project unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5.

This contract is subject to state contract nondiscrimination and compliance requirements pursuant to Government Code section 12990.

The successful bidder shall furnish a faithful performance bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount and a payment bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount. Each bond specified in this Notice (bid bond, faithful performance bond and payment bond) shall meet the requirements of all applicable statutes, including but not limited to those specified in Public Contract Code section 20129 and Civil Code section 3248.

Pursuant to Public Contract Code section 22300, substitution of securities for any moneys withheld by the County of Fresno to ensure performance under the contract shall be permitted.

The Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Board of Supervisors, County of Fresno

Paul Nerland, County Administrative Officer

Bernice E. Seidel, Clerk of the Board

Issue Date: March 4, 2025