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Office of Capital Projects

Designer Recommendation

Project: Classroom Upgrades (19/20)
UT Knoxville
SBC 540/009-06-2020

Category: Minor

Total Budget: \$2,460,000

MACC: \$866,000

Designer Fee: \$79,138

Project Approved: April 9, 2020

This project will upgrade multiple classrooms in multiple buildings including new technology, finishes, furnishings, building systems, and safety improvements.

1. Smee Busby Architects, P.C.

The work submitted by Smee Busby Architects, P.C. (SBA) includes various work across the UT Institute of Agriculture campus for various classrooms and building component upgrades. They have worked with the UT Knoxville campus previously. Team presented is experienced and have all worked together. They include the following: Lauderdale Design Group, Inc. (Interior Design), Bender & Associates Structural Engineers, LLC (Structural), Fulghum, MacIndoe, & Associates, Inc. (Civil), and CRJA-IBI Group (Landscape). SBA is located in Knoxville.

2. Brewer, Ingram & Fuller Architects, Inc.

Brewer Ingram Fuller Architects, Inc. experience include projects on the UT Knoxville campus for various building types for study groups, computer labs, offices, and student guidance spaces. They have a good working relationship with the campus and have a knowledgeable team. The team includes Bender & Associates Structural Engineers, LLC (Structural), I.C. Thomasson Associates, Inc. (Mechanical), Vreeland Engineers, Inc. (Electrical), and Lauderdale Design Group, Inc. (Interior Design).

A total of 3 firms were solicited for this project with 2 submitting qualifications. Firms that were solicited are as follows:

Firm Name	Location
Brewer, Ingram & Fuller Architects, Inc.	Knoxville, TN
Smee Busby Architects, P.C.	Knoxville, TN
Sparkman & Associates Architects, Inc.	Knoxville, TN

Designer Evaluation Summary

Project: Various Facilities – Engineering Consultant

Agency: West TN River Basin Authority

Category: Major

SBC Project No.: 128/020-01-2020

Project Approval Date: 03/12/2020 Approver: SBC

Maximum Liability: \$1,000,000.00

Project Description: Provide professional engineering services to West Tennessee River Basin Authority.

RANKING	SCORE	FIRM NAME
1)	91.00	Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. – Firm submitted extensive experience working on projects of similar scope anticipated under this contract; project team is very well experienced; proposed project approach is very detailed and indicated a good understanding of agency needs; firm has offices in Jackson, Nashville, and Memphis, which is in close proximity to offices and potential project sites.
2)	84.00	Barge Design Solutions, Inc. – Firm has offices in Nashville and Memphis, which is ideal; submittal showcased good experience on similar scoped projects; project team is diverse and has experience on similar projects; proposed project approach showed a good understanding of agency needs.
3)	71.00	Farnsworth Group, Inc. – Submittal showcased firm's experience on similar scoped projects; proposed project team is very well qualified and diverse across disciplines; proposed project approach was broadly defined.

Firms submitting a Letters of Interest:

FIRM NAME	LOCATION
A2H, Inc.	Lakeland, TN
AECOM Technical Services, Inc.	Franklin, TN
Barge Design Solutions, Inc.	Nashville, TN
Farnsworth Group, Inc.	Nashville, TN
Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.	Jackson, TN