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## Why Cash (Flow) Is King in Construction

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#### By Kendall Jones,

Money talks. Cash is king. Bill early and often, and collect all billings.

For most business owners, these are more than simple catch phrases. They are the rules of business that spell the difference between success and failure. And perhaps nowhere is that truer than in the construction industry.

In spite of the current uncertainties caused by the COVID-19 pandemic and state lockdowns, many contractors have managed to keep their companies—and their bank books—strong throughout this turbulent period because they understood the importance of managing cash flow.

#### Focus on Cash Flow Year-Round

Far too many contractors focus on cash flow only at the end of the fiscal year and then only for financial reporting purposes. To create a truly viable business, though, cash flow must be a primary consideration 365 days a year.

For contractors, cash flow typically comes from four sources: profitable jobs; equity contributions from the owner, usually made in difficult times to meet immediate cash demands and provide equity by increasing the company's overall bond rating; loans from the owner, which inject cash into the company but with a neutral impact from a bonding perspective; and outside financing, the least favorable option, usually involving a line of credit, equipment financing, or lease vs. buy decisions on equipment.

#### **Budgeting for Profit**

Cash flow management for contractors starts with proper budgeting of the company's overhead, general and administrative expenses, for the year ahead. Doing so allows a contractor to calculate what is needed in order to break even and how to structure bids in order to provide for a sufficient profit margin.

Beyond that, contractors should view each job as its own individual profit center. To that end, the contractor should review cash projections in the early stages of each job, taking into account: current workload and whether the company's workforce is already fully utilized (if so, costs for additional labor must be considered); the financial stability of the customer and past payment practices; the location of the work (including variable wage rates in effect in some locations and the role weather may play in completing the job on time);



and any penalty or incentive provision, billing specifications, or payment terms that are included in the contract.

#### **Conduct A Cash Flow Analysis**

Once those questions are answered, the contractor should analyze the inflows (cash receipts including billings, retentions, and claims/change orders) and outflows (cash disbursements including bid costs, preconstruction costs, labor, materials, subcontractors, and overhead) of the contract. Analyzing receipts against disbursements will provide the net cash flow for the project.

While cash flow analysis will not necessarily prevent cash flow problems, it will arm a contractor with a better sense of the relative worth of each project and, when combined with other projects underway, provide better information about the direction of the company as a whole. While a cash flow analysis will not prevent bad times from occurring, it will help to inform the contractor if tight times are ahead. As a result, the contractor can be better prepared to deal with cash shortfalls.

#### **Avoiding Cash Shortfalls**

The best way of dealing with cash shortfalls, of course, is to prevent them from happening in the first place. That's not always possible but improving cash management starts with billings. While each job will be somewhat different, contractors should do their best to seek favorable contract terms that allow them to accelerate cash flow. Ideally, the contractor's billing terms will provide for a billing schedule that corresponds to the time schedule established in the job specifications.

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Many contractors front load contracts, charging higher markups in the early stages of a job and then taking a lower markup or even a negative profit margin at the end of the project. While this technique allows the contractor to earn the entire gross profit on a job upfront, it can be a dangerous practice if the contractor falls into the trap of taking funds from one job to cover cash flow losses on another job. Similarly, an upfront influx of cash may lull some contractors into a false sense of financial security which leads them to spend unnecessarily without recognizing future cash outflow needs.

#### Be Proactive About Billings & Collection

Submitting billings according to the terms spelled out in the contract is also essential. Smart contractors will structure a contract in a way that allows them to bill as soon as one or more segments of a job have been completed, rather than waiting for the entire project to be finished. Similarly, contracts which permit billings for cost-plus jobs may allow contractors to estimate costs during a period and then make cost adjustments as necessary near the end of the project.

Billings mean nothing, of course, if collections are unsuccessful. If such instances occur, communication with the customer, project manager, and contractor's management team is of paramount importance. Ultimately though, if such matters cannot be resolved quickly, the contractor should have established procedures for filing liens when appropriate and should not hesitate to use them.

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**CONTACT:** Colby Smith at <u>estimating@cahill-sf.com</u>, (415) 677-0611.

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Work types requested, but are not limited to, the following:

Water and Sewer Line and Related Structures Construction (Irrigation) (237110); All Other Specialty Trade Contractors (Fencing) (238990); Other Concrete Product Manufacturing (Benches) (327390); Other Metal Container Manufacturing (Trash Receptacles) (332439); Sign Manufacturing (339950); Specialized Freight (except Used Goods) Trucking, Local (484220); Engineering Services (SWPPP Preparation) (541330); Surveying and Mapping (except Geophysical Services) (541370); and Landscaping Services (561730).

Plans and Specifications are available for review at our office, or can be downloaded from <a href="https://ggbhtd.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=openOpportunities">https://ggbhtd.bonfirehub.com/portal/?tab=openOpportunities</a>

Call Serina Sirna for information on the project, submitting a quote, assistance in obtaining bonds, line of credit, insurance, scheduling accommodations, equipment, supplies, materials and related assistance or services.

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BID DATE: 9/17/20 @ 2 PM

Voluntary Virtual Pre-Bid Meeting: 9/2/20 @ 10AM BID DOCUMENTS: Please contact Colby for access to documents on BuildingConnected.

CONTACT: Colby Smith at

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We are soliciting quotes for (including but not limited to):

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Terry Zahner (510-809-3479 tzahner@ocjones.com) is the estimator on this project and is available to provide assistance or answer questions regarding the project scope of work including bid requirements, break out of bid items, plan or spec interpretation, bonding or insurance requirements, and other bid assistance. Plans and specs are available to review at our Berkeley office, or can be sent out via Building Connected. PDF format quotes should be emailed to the estimator or faxed to 510-526-0990 prior to 9:00 am on the date of the bid. Quotes from DVBE Subcontractors, Suppliers and Truckers are highly encouraged. OCJ is willing to breakout any portion of work to encourage DVBE participation. Subcontractors must possess a current DIR, Contractors License, and insurance and workers compensation coverage including waiver of subrogation. OCJ may require Performance and Payment bonds on subcontracts. OCJ will pay the bond premium up to 2% of the contract value. All subcontractors are required to execute OC Jones' standard subcontract agreement, comply with all insurance requirements, and name OCJ as additional insured. Copies of our agreement and insurance requirements are available upon request. OCJ is a Union contractor, and we are signatory to the Operating Engineers, Laborers, Teamsters, and Carpenters. OCJ is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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# California Sub-Bid Request Ads

Stantec Consulting Services Inc. (Stantec) is seeking qualified Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) firms for inclusion in a proposal to the Alameda County Transportation Commission (ACTC) for Project Management and Project Controls Services, RFP NO. R21-0001.

All firms need to be DBE certified by the United Certification Program California (https://ucp.dot.ca.gov/licenseForm.htm) and meet the requirements outlined in the Alameda CTC's Request for Proposal (RFP). Respondents should review the RFP available at https://www.alamedactc.org/get-involved/contracting-opportunities/.

Stantec is seeking firms in the following disciplines:

- **Overall Program Management**
- Programming and Project Controls
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- On-Call Services and Other Direct Costs
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- Project Controls Database

Qualified firms with DBE certification in the appropriate discipline covering the services proposed and with the qualifications required by the RFP, should email a PDF Statement of Qualifications (SOQ) to DBEOutreach@stantec.com. For proper processing, please include 'Alameda CTC Project Management and Control Services'inthesubjectlineofALLcorrespondence. For consideration, SOQs must be submitted by August 25, 2020, 12:00 PM PST.

Each SOQ must include the following:

- 1 Firm name, address, and phone number
- 2. Brief firm profile, including DBE certification number
- 3. Description of services for the tasks in the RFP with which the firm has relevant experience
- Names of two to three individuals on 4 staff who have expertise or special qualifications relevant to the scope of work

Stantec will evaluate the proposals and make a selection after considering qualifications, availability of internal resources, and selection criteria included in the RFP.

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LAUSD Belvedere Middle School **Comprehensive Modernization Project** Los Angeles, California

Bid due dates will vary, inquire for details



(An Equal Opportunity Employer) 18850 Von Karman Avenue, Suite 100, Irvine, CA (949) 852-0111 • (949) 852-0218 (FAX) Michelle Keyser, mkeyser@henselphelps.com

Subcontracts awarded on this project will be on the Hensel Phelps Construction Co. standard form subcontract and may include a requirement to provide payment & performance bonds from a T-Listed surety at the subcontractor's expense. HPCC will assist in obtaining bonds, lines of credit or insurances required.

NBC Construction & Engineering INC. as a "GENERAL CONTRACTOR" is requesting proposal on "ALL TRADES" from all subcontractors & suppliers, including DVBE, LBE, DBE, SBE, MBE, WBE firms for the following project: PA/CLOCK AND DATA UPGRADES PROJECT at Noriega Early Education School SFUSD Project Number: 12119 BID DATE & TIME: 9/3/2020 @12:00PM PROJECT LOCATION:

NORIEGA EARLY EDUCATION SCHOOL 1775 44th Ave., San Francisco, CA 94122 **Owner: San Francisco Unified School District NBC Construction & Engineering Inc.** 850 South Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94110

Phone # 925-324-2727 • Fax # 800-622-9144

All Bidders are hereby notified that the District has a Labor Compliance Program (LCP) -Prevailing Wages in effect on this Project and all contractors and subcontractors bidding this project will be required to comply with the LCP. In addition, All the Certified Payrolls (CPR) must be reported through Elation System and DIR website. Bidder is responsible for all shipping and handling fees. Plans are available for viewing at www.earc.com/ location/san-francisco-hooper-street. Click on the Order from PlanWell/Public Planroom "button" and search for project name and number. Or contact us.

Please Submit & Fax all proposals to 800-622-9144 For more information, Please call Mike Schalchi at (925)-322-7473

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### REPLACEMENT

BID DATE & TIME: 9/2/2020 @5:00PM PROJECT LOCATION: Edmund G. Brown 505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, CA 94102 **Owner: State of California Department of General Services** NBC Construction & Engineering Inc. 850 South Van Ness Avenue San Francisco, CA 94110

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777 South Figueroa St. Los Angeles, CA 90017 Tel: (562) 567-2549 • Fax: (562) 946-3823 Contact: Tanya Stukes

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#### SAN FERNANDO GROUNDWATER REMEDIATION PROJECT **Owner: Los Angeles Department of Water and Power** Progressive Design Builder: Kiewit Infrastructure West Co. Anticipated Request for Proposal (RFP) Release Date: August 17, 2020 Proposal/Quote Deadline: Varies and Posted by Bid Package

Seeking qualified firms (including SBEs, DVBEs, DBEs, 8(a)s, SLBs, EBEs, SBs, MBs, SMBEs, SWBEs, WOSBs, EDWOSBs) to provide a notice of interest to receive a bid/RFP package or provide a quote in their respective areas of work or specialty.

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This is a Public Works Project subject to prevailing wage rates and a Project Labor Agreement. For information or questions on the contract requirements, availability of plans and specs and licensing, bonding, insurance, etc., please contact our office.

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DeSilva Gates Construction (DGC) is preparing a bid as a Prime Contractor for the project listed below:

CALTRANS ROUTE 99-CONSTRUCTION ON STATE HIGHWAY IN BUTTE COUNTY ABOUT 10 MILES NORTH OF GRIDLEY FROM 0.3 MILE SOUTH TO 0.5 MILE NORTH OF NELSON AVENUE Contract No. 03-0F2904, Federal Aid Project No. ACNH-P099(658)E Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Goal Assigned is 14%

OWNER: STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

1727 30th Street, Bidder's Exchange, MS 26, Sacramento, CA 95816

#### BID DATE: AUGUST 27, 2020 @ 2:00 P.M.

DGC is soliciting quotations from certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, for the following types of work and supplies/materials including but not limited to:

ASBESTOS COMPLIANCE PLAN, BIOLOGIST CON-SULTANT, BRIDGE, BRIDGE REMOVAL, CLEARING AND GRUBBING/DEMOLITION, COLD PLANE, CONSTRUCTION AREA SIGNS, ELECTRICAL, ERO-SION CONTROL, LEAD COMPLIANCE PLAN, METAL BEAM GUARDRAIL, ROADSIDE SIGNS, ROADWAY EXCAVATION, STRIPING, SWPPP PREP/WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLAN PREPARATION, TEM-PORARY EROSION CONTROL, UNDERGROUND, VEGETATION CONTROL, TRUCKING, WATER TRUCKS, STREET SWEEPING, CLASS 2 AGGREGATE BASE MATERIAL, HOT MIX ASPHALT (TYPE A) MA-TERIAL, RUBBERIZED HMA (GAP GRADE) MATE-RIAL, ASPHALT BINDER.

Plans and specifications may be reviewed at our office located at 11555 Dublin Boulevard, Dublin, CA or at your local Builders Exchange, or reviewed and downloaded from the ftp site at ftp://ftp%25desilvagates. com:f7pa55wd@pub.desilvagates.com (if prompted the username is ftp@desilvagates.com and password is f7pa55wd) or from the Owner's site at www.dot. ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/weekly\_ads/all\_adv\_projects.php

Fax your bid to (925) 803-4263 to the attention of Estimator James Yackley. If you have questions for the Estimator, call at (925) 829-9220. When submitting any public works bid please include your DUNS number and DIR number. For questions regarding registration for DIR use the link at www.dir.ca.gov/ Public-Works/PublicWorks.html

If you need DBE support services and assistance in obtaining bonding, lines of credit, insurance, necessary equipment, materials and/or supplies or related assistance or services, for this project call the Estimator at (925) 829-9220, or contact your local Small Business Development Center Network (http://californiasbdc. org) or contact the California Southwest Transportation Resource Center (www.transportation.gov/ osdbu/SBTRCs). DGC is willing to breakout portions of work to increase the expectation of meeting the DBE goal.

At our discretion, 100% Payment and 100% Performance bonds may be required as a subcontract condition. This will be a PREVAILING WAGE JOB. DGC is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.



Sen Francisco, camornia September 10, 2020 @5pm August 17 via Webex, RSVP with James Dees at <u>jamesd@nibbi.com</u>.

Pre-Bid Call:

Mission Rock is a landmark 2.8 million GSF mixed-use master development located on Seawall Lot 337, just south of Oracle Park. The waterfront site is approximately 28 acres in total and is currently serving as a parking lot for events at Oracle Park, the neighborhood and the event space in the historic Pier 48 site, which showcases three one-story structures. Crafted with 11 years of community input, Mission Rock carefully balances the needs of the neighborhood and the City and includes waterfront parks and open space, affordable housing units, neighborhood-serving retail, and pedestrian-friendly blocks. In 2018, the project received key governmental approvals, and the San Francisco Giants and Tishman Speyer formed a partnership to design, develop, own and manage this landmark development in collaboration with the Port of San Francisco. The project site is made up of eleven individual development parcels:

- o Six are preliminarily earmarked for office development (1.4 million GSF)
- Five are preliminarily earmarked for residential development (approximately 1,200 residential units, 40% below market rate)
- o Street level retail / PDR offerings (220,000 SF)
- o Structured parking for neighborhood, tenant, and Oracle Park use

The project will include eight acres of public parks and open spaces, a very compelling attribute for an urban development in San Francisco, including a 5 acre waterfront park and open space in the first phase. Mission Rock is expected to be built in three to four overlapping phases beginning in 2020, with estimated final phase delivery in seven to ten years. Phase 1, consisting of the 5.2-acre park and open space, two office and two residential buildings, is expected to begin construction in 2020, with delivery planned for 2023. 80% CD Bid Packages for Parcel A, Buildings B & G:

- Metal Decking steel decking (and associated closures / trim scope) for 13-story steel framed building and 8-story steel framed building
- Fireproofing spray-applied fireproofing (and minor intumescent scope) for 13-story steel framed building and 8-story steel framed building
- Painting interior and (minor) exterior painting for 13-story warm shell commercial building and 8-story warm shell commercial building
- Drywall framing and drywall scope for 13-story warm shell commercial building and 8-story warm shell commercial building. Scope to include: all interior and exterior gauge framing (exterior scope to support some L1 façade elements), drywall, acoustic and thermal insulation in walls, firestopping, and slab edge firesafing.
- Underground Waterproofing waterproofing membrane for structural slab on grade and subgrade walls. Alternate bid scope to include above-grade terrace waterproofing and roofing.
- Metal Guard Rails exterior steel guardrails at roof terraces of 13-story building.
- BMU Rooftop window washing crane and associated accessory work for 13-story office building.
- Mission Rock Equity Program Commitments: 20% San Francisco Local Business Enterprise (LBE) commitment
- 30% of all project hours within each trade to be performed by local residents (mandatory requirement).
- 50% of the project work hours performed by apprentices within each trade shall be performed by local residents.
- Mission Rock projects are subject to a Project Labor Agreement and Prevailing wage provisions submitted through LCP Tracker.

For digital plans and specs contact Chad Herrera (<u>herrerac@hdcco.com</u>) to access project via Building Connected.



10704 Shoemaker Ave., Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670 Tel: (562) 946-1816 • Fax: (562) 946-3823 Contact: Lorenzo Cabrera Email: Lorenzo.J.Cabrera@kiewit.com

Owner: Port of Los Angeles Project Name: Alameda Corridor Southern Terminus Gap Closure, Spec No. 2784 Location: 630 W. Harry Bridges Blvd, Wilmington, CA 90744 Revised Bid Date: August 27, 2020 at 2:45 p.m.

#### Request for DBE sub-quotes

Kiewit Infrastructure West Co. ("Kiewit") is seeking quotes from qualified Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE to perform as subcontractors, material contractors, and suppliers. DBEs must provide evidence of certification by the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

The Alameda Corridor Southern Terminus Gap Closure Project consists of constructing a railroad track extension of the Trapac lead track to the San Pedro main line track alongside the existing main line track south of Harry Bridges Boulevard, including rail tieins to existing tracks, turnouts and crossovers, reconstruction of West Basin Container Terminal lead tracks, track drains and extensions of grade crossing modules. Work also includes demolition of fences, installing new asphalt concrete pavement, restriping main gate lanes, installation of fencing with K-rail, striping, installation of steel pipe casings and concrete slabs at existing utilities, construction of electrical system, a storm drain and underdrain system.

Kiewit will be requesting quotes for various areas of work listed in, but not limited to, the scopes of work below.

Land surveying • dirt and concrete disposal • demolition • dewatering • shoring and underpinning • piles and caissons • asphalt paving • concrete pumping • concrete barrier • concrete drilling and saw cutting

Firms interested in receiving a bid package for this project must contact us at the e-mail address noted. Responding firms will be issued an "Invitation to Bid" through Kiewit's electronic use of SmartBid system (at no cost to bidder) with project information and bid instructions. Plans and specifications will also be available for review at the address listed below if requested.

This project is subject to Project Labor Agreement, POLA Construction Careers Policy, Labor Compliant and prevailing wage rates. The project is funded by the California Transportation Commission 2018 Trade Corridor Enhancement Program and the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act and is subject to federal funding requirements including, but not limited to the Buy America Provisions, DBE Program requirements, and the California Labor Code.

Responsive bidders must possess a valid California Contractor's license (as appropriate) and provide acceptable insurance. Responsible subcontractors and material contractors may be required to provide bonding for 100% of their contract value. Kiewit will reimburse bond premiums. Firms performing any onsite work is signatory to collective bargaining agreements with the carpenters, laborers, cement masons, ironworkers, operating engineers and teamsters. Kiewit will consider quotes from any and all bidders who demonstrate an ability to foster and maintain labor harmony on the Project.

Kiewit intends to conduct itself in good faith with all DBEs regarding participation on this project. For further information regarding this project, licensing, insurance or bonding, equipment, supplies, materials, or related assistance or services or project schedule, please contact the Lead Estimator listed below.

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## Be Alert About Email Phishing Scams – Bad Actors Seeking to Take Advantage through "SBA Loan Application"

#### By Keith A. Bluestein

In the wake of emergency assistance available to help small businesses in response to the Coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19), the SBA is urging disaster loan applicants seeking federal aid to be alert to phishing campaigns and scams. These malicious actors are impersonating the SBA and its Office of Disaster Assistance to collect personally identifiable information (PII) for fraudulent purposes.

The SBA is particularly concerned about scam emails that are targeting applicants of the SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program asking them to verify their accounts using a third-party online platform to collect personally identifiable information.

## Watch Out for Phony Emails Asking for Your Information

- Any email communication from the SBA will come from email accounts ending in sba.gov, and nothing more.
- Look out for emails that use the SBA logo in their phishing emails and phony schemes.

These may be attempts to obtain PII, access personal banking accounts, or to install ransomware or malware on your computer. The SBA will never use a third-party platform to:

- 1. Actively seek PII
- 2. Search a third-party platform for or by PII, or
- 3. "Follow" public users proactively without a waiver.

## Government Employees Do Not Charge for Recovery Assistance

Additionally, federal agencies that provide disaster recovery assistance will never ask for a fee or payment to apply for financial assistance, and government employees do not charge for any recovery assistance provided.

#### Tips to Keep an Eye On

- The presence of an SBA logo in an email or on a webpage does not guarantee the information is either accurate or endorsed by the SBA.
- Help protect your identity and privacy by never providing your full name, date of birth, social security number, address, phone numbers, email addresses, case numbers, or any other PII in public-facing comments or responses to third-party emails.

- Loan applicants who receive email correspondence asking for PII are cautioned to ensure that any application numbers referenced in the email are consistent with your actual application number.
- Do not click on any links or open any attachments, which are often used in phishing email scams.

The best way to avoid being scammed is to safeguard your information like money in the bank. Always be vigilant in protecting your personal information and data assets. If you suspect an email is associated with a fraud scam targeting the SBA, report it to the Office of Inspector General's Hotline at 800-767-0385 or online at https://www. sba.gov/COVIDfraudalert.

You can learn more about scams and fraud schemes on the SBA's website at

https://www.sba.gov/COVIDfraudalert.

Loan applicants who have questions about SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loan program may call the Disaster Customer Service Center at 1-800-659-2955 (TTY: 1-800-877-8339) or send an email to disastercustomerservice@sba.gov.

SOURCE: www.sba.gov/blog/be-alert-aboutemail-phishing-scams-bad-actors-seeking-takeadvantage-through-sba-loan-application

### Why Cash (Flow) Is King in Construction

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Contractors can also manage cash flow by carefully monitoring underbillings and overbillings. Overbillings are good only if that money is already in the bank or in receivables waiting to be collected. Underbillings, on the other hand, indicate poor cash management because the contractor is essentially financing the project.

#### Final Thoughts on Managing Cash Flow

Finally, cash management can be impacted by the way in which the contractor manages the punch list at the conclusion of the project. Not addressing the punch list allows the retainage of the job to diminish or the timeliness of collections to extend, both of which cost the contractor.

The bottom line here is simple: good cash flow management is essential and can make even the most successful company even more profitable.

SOURCE: www.constructconnect.com/blog/ why-cash-flow-is-king-in-construction



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#### **CITY OF LODI**

#### City of Lodi Transit Three-Year Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Goal

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Lodi has established a proposed Overall Three-Year Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Goal for Federal Transit Administration (FTA)-assisted projects of **3.36%** for Federal Fiscal years 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23.

The DBE Goal is applicable to FTA-assisted contracting opportunities scheduled to be awarded during the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2023. The City of Lodi's proposed Three Year Goal and its rationale (developed in response to U.S. Department of Transportation's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program Regulations published under Title 49 CFR Part 26) is available for inspection at: <u>http://lodi.gov/483/Disadvantaged-Business-Enterprise-Goal</u>

The goal and rationale are available for inspection until September 19, 2020. Lodi City Hall is currently closed to the public due to COVID-19, therefore in-person review of this goal is not be possible at this time. However, a copy of the goal and methodology can be mailed to you. Please contact: Julia Tyack DBE Liaison Officer (209)269-4960 jtyack@lodi.gov

Comments regarding the Goal will be accepted until September 19, 2020. Comments can be forwarded to Julia Tyack, DBE Liaison Officer, at the above stated address, phone number, and email; or to Nicholas Sun, Action Regional Civil Rights Officer, FTA Region IX, 90 7th Street, Suite 15-300, San Francisco, CA 94103-6701.

#### UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE MEDICAL CENTER

#### NOTICE INVITING GENERAL CONTRACTOR, ELECTRICAL OR MECHANICAL SUBCONTRACTOR PREQUALIFICATION

Prequalification Questionnaires will be received by the University of California, Irvine Medical Center (UCIMC) from general contractors, electrical and/or mechanical subcontractors, wishing to submit bids for a Cost Plus contract for the:

#### B3, 3rd Fl, Conversion to Tele/Med-Surg, Project No. 994664

**PREQUALIFICATION:** The University has determined that bidders must be prequalified for this project.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: A complete rebuild of the 3rd floor of building 3, an OSHPD 1 building. This space is currently empty shell space, already demolished. The re-build will include 26 new patient rooms with 41 total beds in a combination of both private and semi-private rooms. The re-build will also include all ancillary services for the new unit, including: (2) nurse stations, medication rooms, clean/soiled utility rooms, equipment storage rooms, housekeeping rooms, IT/electrical rooms, staff locker rooms/rest rooms, a staff lounge, physician sleep rooms, workrooms and offices for the unit as well. Scope also includes a new air handler, new med air and med vac systems, some structural framing and roofing.

### **PROJECT COMPLETION TIME:** 330 calendar days.

**ESTIMATED COST:** \$15,000,000

**PROCEDURES:** Prequalification Questionnaires available Monday, August 24, 2020, 3:00 PM. Contact Kim Kerwin @ khau@hs.uci.edu or Terri Kalwara @ tkalwara@hs.uci.edu.

**QUESTIONNAIRE DUE DATE:** Questionnaires must be received by Tuesday, September 1, 2020 at 2:00 PM at UCIMC, Planning Administration, Building 27, Room 136, 101 The City Drive South, Orange, CA 92868.

GENERAL CONTRACTOR QUALIFICATIONS:

Must have a current and active California CSLB "A" General Engineering or "B" General Building Contractor's license, insurance, bonding, safety, financial and claims history requirements. Must have completed a minimum of (1) project in the last 5 years that meet all the criteria listed below and demonstrate the Contractor's ability to successfully complete the project with respect to project size, scope, cost, use, complexity, etc.:

1. In a OSHPD 1 facility located in the State of California for which the subcontract amount was at least \$6,000,000;

2. Included interior renovation/remodel or facility expansion constructed in or adjacent to patient care areas;

3. Included the management of electrical, plumbing and HVAC subcontractors.

#### ELECTRICAL SUBCONTRACTOR QUALI-

FICATIONS: Must have a current and active California CSLB "C-10" Electrical Contractor's license, insurance, bonding, safety, financial and claims history requirements. Must have completed a minimum of (1) project in the last 5 years that meet the criteria listed below and demonstrate the Contractor's ability to successfully complete the project with respect to project size, scope, cost, use, complexity, etc.:

1. In a OSHPD 1 or 3 healthcare facility located in the State of California for which the subcontract amount was at least \$1,000,000 each;

2. Constructed in a limited and confined site adjacent to occupied buildings;

3. Included both normal and emergency power distribution, simplex fire alarm system installation, data and public address systems.

#### **MECHANICAL SUBCONTRACTOR QUALI-**

**FICATIONS:** Must have a current and active California CSLB "C-20" Warm-Air Heating, Ventilating and Air Conditioning and/or "C-36" Plumbing Contractor licenses, insurance, bonding, safety, financial and claims history requirements. Must have completed a minimum of (1) project in the last 5 years that meet the criteria listed below and demonstrate the Contractor's ability to successfully complete the project with respect to project size, scope, cost, use, complexity, etc.:

1. In a OSHPD 1 or 3 healthcare facility located in the State of California for which the subcontract amount was at least \$4,000,000 each;

2. Constructed in a limited and confined site adjacent to occupied buildings;

Bidders not meeting the requirements of the prequalification questionnaire will not be eligible to bid. Prequalification is solely for the purpose of determining bidders who are deemed capable of successful performance of the type of work included in this project. A contract will be awarded to the prequalified contractor submitting the lowest responsive bid. Prequalified General Contractors must use the prequalified subcontractors for the trades established by the University to submit a responsive bid for this project.

The University reserves the right to reject any or all responses to this notice, to waive nonmaterial irregularities, and to deem Contractors prequalified to submit proposals for the project. To prequalify, Contractors must agree to comply with all bid conditions including state prevailing wages, 10% bid bond, 100% payment and performance bonds, and insurance requirements. All information submitted for prequalification evaluation will be considered official information acquired in confidence, and the University will maintain its confidentiality to the extent permitted by law.

Every effort will be made to ensure that all persons have equal access to contracts and other business opportunities with the University within the limits imposed by law or University policy. Each Proposer may be required to show evidence of its equal employment opportunity policy.

No contractor or subcontractor, regardless of tier, may be listed on a Bid for, or engage in the performance of, any portion of this project, unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 and 1771.1.

This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. The successful Bidder shall pay all persons providing construction services and/or any labor on site, including any University location, no less than the UC Fair Wage (defined as \$13 per hour as of 10/1/15, \$14 per hour as of 10/1/16, and \$15 per hour as of 10/1/17) and shall comply with all applicable federal, state and local working condition requirements.

For other opportunities, please visit http://www. ucirvinehealth.org/planning-administration

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## Columbus, Ohio Sub-Bid Request Ads

## Kokosing Makes Strides on \$1.3B Downtown Ramp Up in Columbus

[ Article was originally posted on www.constructconnect.com ]

#### By Irwin Rapoport,

The initiative — financed with federal, state and local funds, which began in 2011 — is expected to be completed in 2037 or sooner. Kokosing Construction Company Inc. currently is engaged in work for Phases 2E (\$81 million) and 3B (Broad Street, \$41 million), and has completed Phase 1 (2011-14, more than \$200 million) and 2G (2017-2019, \$44 million).

"The Downtown Ramp Up is a series of projects to reconstruct Interstates 70/71 in downtown Columbus and alleviate the biggest safety and congestion problems along the corridor," said Breanna Badanes, ODOT's public information officer of central Ohio. "We have already invested \$270 million into the interchange improvements, and another four projects worth more than \$300 million will be constructed in the next five years to rehabilitate the road network.

"These projects were undertaken due to high crash rates and heavy congestion into and out of downtown Columbus," she added. "When complete, they will result in new urban avenues with complete streets, enhanced freeway crossings with safe pedestrian and bicyclist accommodations and the removal of unsafe ramps."

The work is widening I-70/71 between SR 315 and I-71 to provide two through lanes for each route in each direction; constructing an additional lane on I-71 south at Broad Street; replacing numerous bridges, including Broad Street, Front Street, bridges over the Scioto River, and bridges over the railroad tracks; reconfiguring ramps to and from the downtown area; and building Lester Drive and Elijah Pierce Avenue between Spring Street and Broad Street.

Mooberry Street and Parsons Avenue are being reconstructed, which is impacting several ramps. The I-70 east to 18th Street ramp is being replaced by a new ramp from I-70 east to Parsons Avenue; the Third Street ramp to I-70 east is being replaced with a ramp from Fulton Street to I-70 east; the I-70 east ramp to Front Street is being replaced with a ramp from I-70 east to Fulton Street; and the ramps from I-71 south to Broad Street and Broad Street to I-71 north closed permanently and will be replaced with new connections via Lester Drive and Elijah Pierce Avenue. The ramp from I-70 east to SR 315 north, following the work, will be closed permanently.

"ODOT has been planning this project since the early 2000s," said Badanes. "This corridor is only 6 percent of Columbus freeway miles but represents 27 percent of freeway crashes, so safety was the primary driver."

MS Consultants designed the roads and bridges for Phase 2E and Burgess and Niple designed road and bridges for Phase 3B.

"The biggest challenge for both design and construction is the scale of the project and the limited amount of space to work in," said Badanes. "To overcome that, the design includes several retaining walls so we could widen the freeway, but still maintain the same footprint. The existing infrastructure from the 1960s has reached the end of its life. Today's population in the metro area has more than doubled, so it's important to deliver a modern, upgraded transportation system that meets the needs of our growing city for years to come."

#### Visit link for the full article:

https://www.constructionequipmentguide. com/kokosing-makes-strides-on-13b-downtown-ramp-up-in-columbus/49184

#### SHEA- TRAYLOR JV BIDDING OPPORTUNITY

#### City of Columbus, Ohio Certified DBE (MBE and WBE) with the following certifying authority:

Participation of Minority-and Women -Owned Business Enterprises ("MWBE") and Equal Employment Opportunities ("EEO"). Participation by Disadvantaged Business Enterprises ("DBE") in United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") Programs pursuant to 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 33; DBE is a Disadvantaged, Minority, or Woman Business Enterprise that has been certified by an entity from which EPA accepts certifications as described in 40 CFR 33.204-33.205 or certified by EPA. EPA accepts certifications from entities that meet or exceed EPA certification standards as described in 40 CFR 33.202. USDOT DBE certifications accepted. See: City of Columbus, Office of Diversity and Inclusion, 614-645-4764 and www.columbus.gov/odi/.

Inviting qualified contractors, specifically **MBE and WBE firms certified/eligible as listed above**, to contact Shea-Traylor JV (Prime Contractor listed below) regarding subcontracting services and material supply opportunities in connection with the upcoming tunnel and shafts project. The Work under this contract is in Columbus, Ohio. The Work consists of:

#### Construction of Tunnel & Shafts: Lower Olentangy Tunnel, Contract 135-2016 Owner: City of Columbus Dept. of Public Utilities 910 Dublin Road - 3rd Floor, Columbus, OH 43215 BID DATE: October 14, 2020 at 3:00 PM EDT (Electronic Bid Only)

Opportunities to participate exist in the following specific areas of soil and rock excavation, hauling, excavation support systems, ground freezing, deep foundation system(secant-piles), underground blasting, structural steel, engineering, survey, instrumentation and monitoring services, materials testing, demolition and site preparation, traffic control, sewer tap and sewer bypass pumping, A/C paving, environmental investigation, utility relocation, paving, fencing and gates, planting and seeding, retaining wall, geotechnical and structural instrumentation, secant piles, cast-in-place concrete structures, reinforcing steel, ground stabilization, rock-bolts, steel dowels, shotcrete, concrete finishing, mechanical steel pipe, ventilation HVAC, precast concrete shaft covers, temporary office buildings/services, Temporary electrical substation, waterproofing, service utilities, grouting, electrical services, pest control, IT services, waste disposal, cleaning services, and security services.

Any business seeking to participate as a MBE or WBE in the Contract that is not currently certified DBE by the EPA and the requirements set forth above should review 40 CFR 33.204-33.205, certified by EPA or City of Columbus, Office of Diversity and Inclusion at https://www.columbus.gov/odi/ as shown above to obtain current certification.

Shea-Traylor JV set up an FTP site where you can view all plans, specifications and addendums for your convenience. Please contact Steve Fiori at (909) 595-4397, <u>Steven.Fiori@jfshea.com</u>, to receive instructions on accessing the FTP Site.

Shea-Traylor JV, (An EEO Employer)

(J.F. Shea Construction, Inc. - Traylor Bros., Inc.) 667 Brea Canyon Road, Suite 22 Walnut, CA 91789 Phone: 909-594-0990 fax: 909-869-0827 Send Inquiries/Certifications to: Steven Fiori: <u>Steven.Fiori@jfshea.com</u>