Over the next three decades, Columbia’s long-term plan for the old Manhattanville manufacturing area will revitalize the four former industrial blocks from 125th/129th to 133rd Street between Broadway and 12th Avenue, and three small blocks along the east side of Broadway from 131st to 134th Street, into an environmentally sustainable and publicly accessible center for academic and civic life woven into the fabric of the West Harlem community.

Opportunity

Bovis Lend Lease, acting as a Construction Manager for Columbia University, is currently soliciting qualified construction trade contractors, subcontractors and vendors including MBE, WBE and Local firms for the Columbia University Manhattanville Utilities 12th Avenue Storm Sewer Project. Anticipated construction start is April 2010 with a completion in early 2011. McKissack and McKissack, a successful minority and women owned business, will be assisting Bovis Lend Lease with project management oversight.

Bid Period

November/December 2009

Project Background

Columbia is planning to redevelop a portion of the Manhattanville section of West Harlem in order to facilitate the revitalization and improvement of the area and to allow Columbia to build new academic mixed-use facilities over a 25-year period. The 17-acre academic mixed-use program, known as Manhattanville in West Harlem Development, is located approximately between Broadway and 12th Avenue, from the north side of West 125th Street to the south side of 133rd Street.

Columbia will be upgrading the utilities in and around the Manhattanville development site. These utility upgrades will improve the utility service to the surrounding community as well as support Columbia’s new mixed use development.

Scope of Work

A new 1,271 linear foot (LF) private storm sewer will be constructed from the intersection of West 132nd Street and 12th Avenue, going south along 12th Avenue to West 125th Street. From the intersection of 12th Avenue and 125th Street, the new storm sewer will turn west on 125th Street to Marginal Street. From Marginal Street, the proposed storm sewer will run south, connecting to an existing combined sewer overflow outfall at St. Clair Place.

The new storm sewer work scope will also include 40 lf of 6” water mains, 1400 lf of 12” water mains, and 70 lf of 20” water mains. As a part of the new storm sewer installation, the relocation of existing utilities will also be required.

Qualifications

Union firms with successful track records of completing New York City DEP and Con Edison projects with minimum values of $5,000,000.

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Insurance Requirements
Worker Compensation, Employer Liability Insurance & Automobile Liability

- Statutory Worker’s Compensation in accordance with the laws of New York State. Employers Liability Insurance with a $500,000 in limits for each of the following exposures: bodily injury by accident (each accident); bodily injury by disease (polity limit); bodily injury by disease (each employee)

- Commercial General Liability with a combined single limit of bodily injury, personal injury and property damage of at least $5,000,000 per occurrence and aggregate.

- Commercial Automobile Liability (including owned, leased, hired and not-owned vehicles) with a combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage of at least $1,000,000 per occurrence.

Bonding Requirements
Performance Bond: Full Contract Amount
Labor and Material Bonds: Full Contract Amount

Minority, Women & Local Workforce Participation Requirements

- Business Participation Requirements: 35% of Contract Amounts
- Workforce Participation Requirements: 40% of Project Work Hours

Additional Subcontracting & Supplier Opportunities
Trucking, sheeting/shoring, dewatering, rebar supply/installation, pre-cast concrete supply, concrete supply, street marking & striping, signage, sidewalk construction, roadway restoration, drainage material supply, water main material supply, gas main materials supply, backfill supply, cathodic protection supply, fencing, saw cutting, cutting/welding, and cutting/welding supply.

Contact Information
If interested in being considered, contact Serena Sinckler at (212) 854-4142 to receive more information and a pre-qualification form.

All prequalification forms must be returned by Monday, November 20, 2009.

Please forward pre-qualification forms to:

Columbia University Manhattanville Development
637 West 125th Street
New York, NY 10027
Attn: Serena Sinckler

*As a Harlem-based institution, the University principally defines its “local” catchment area as those communities located in the zip codes that contain, in whole, or in part, the census tracks of the federally mandated New York Empowerment Zone (NYEZ). In Manhattan, this area is defined as Upper Manhattan, or all points north of 96th Street, river to river. The zip codes of Upper Manhattan are: 10025, 10026, 10027, 10029, 10031, 10032, 10033, 10034, 10035, 10037, 10039, and 10040. In the Bronx, this area is defined by the following zip codes: 10451, 10454, 10455, and 10474. Contractors are deemed to be local if they maintain a primary business address, or have a significant administrative business presence, in one of these zip codes.