

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS - NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS:
NEW CONVENTION HALL, CAPE MAY, NJ**

Sealed bids, **in duplicate**, will be received by The City of Cape May, 643 Washington Street, Cape May, NJ 08204, for the construction of a new, approximately 20,000 square foot, convention hall to be located on the site of the demolished convention hall at 714 Beach Avenue ("Cape May Convention Hall Project"). Bids shall be marked: Convention Hall, Attention Bruce MacLeod. Bids will be received at the Cape May City Hall Auditorium, 643 Washington Street, Cape May, NJ 08204, until 11:00 AM, prevailing time on **April 26, 2011**, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bids will be received for the following construction contract: General Construction (including subcontracts as listed in the Bid Documents) for the Cape May Convention Hall Project

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BID DOCUMENTS: Beginning April 7, 2011 at 9:00 AM plans, specifications and other documents constituting the bid documents (collectively, the "Bid Documents") may be examined without charge at the Office of the City Clerk, Cape May City Hall, 643 Washington Street, Cape May, NJ ("Cape May Clerk's Office"). Contractors may obtain a copy of the Bid Documents at the Cape May Clerk's Office free of charge. All Bid Documents will be on a CD containing PDF files. No paper copies will be provided. The Bid Documents CD may be mailed if a FedEx or UPS number is provided by the contractor.

TECHNICAL QUESTIONS: All technical questions and requests for information ("RFIs") must be submitted in writing to be considered and shall be addressed to the Architect: Jonathan Trump at Kimmel-Bogrette Architecture + Site, 151 East Tenth Avenue, Suite 300, Conshohocken, PA 19428, telephone 610-834-7805, fax 610-834-7815, email jtrump@kimmel-bogrette.com. No technical questions or RFI's will be considered unless received by the Architect not later than Wednesday, April 13, 2011 at 4:00 PM

PRE BID MEETING: There will be no pre bid meeting.

ADDENDUM: If necessary, an addendum will be issued on Thursday April 14, 2011.

BIDDER QUALIFICATION: Each bidder must be pre-qualified by the New Jersey Division of Property Management and Construction ("DPMC") to a Category C006 or C008. Bidders must also submit with their bid a current copy of their "Pre-qualification/Classification Certificate" and "Total Amount of Uncompleted Contracts" from the DPMC. Any bid submitted without a copy of a valid and active Pre-qualification/Classification Certificate along with the Total Amount of Uncompleted Contracts" will be rejected as being non-responsive to bid requirements. See the bid documents for further pre-qualification requirements. Bids will not be considered if the Total Amount of Uncompleted Contracts when added to the amount of the bid for the Convention Hall Project exceeds the aggregate amount as listed on the Pre-qualification/Classification Certificate.

LIST OF SUBCONTRACTORS: All bids shall list the following subcontractors:

- Structural Steel and Ornamental Iron
- Electrical
- Plumbing

- HVAC

A failure to list any of the above subcontractors shall be deemed a non-response bid and will not be considered.

BID BOND: Bids must be made on the proposal forms in the manner designated, enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the name and address of bidder and proposal identification on outside, and must be accompanied by a Certified Check, Cashier's Check or Bid Bond drawn to the order of the City of Cape May for not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount of the bid, but in no case in excess of \$20,000.00; and must be attached to the bid forms. All bid bonds must be on the form contained in the Bid Documents.

CERTIFICATE OF SURETY: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-22, all bids shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Surety which must be on the form attached hereto as Section 00-0308, assuring that satisfactory arrangements have been made between the surety and the Bidder by which surety agrees to furnish Bidder and the City of Cape May with a Performance Bond and Payment Bond; each in the amount of 100% of the amount bid. The Certificate of Surety shall be executed by a surety that satisfies the requirements set forth in N.J.S.A. 2A:44-143 through 147. The surety shall hold a current certificate of authority, issued by the United States Secretary of the Treasury pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9305, that is valid in the State of New Jersey as listed annually in the United States Treasury Circular 570 and, if the surety has been operational for a period in excess of five years, shall be rated in one of the three highest categories by an independent, nationally recognized United States rating company that determines the financial stability of insurance companies, which rating company or companies shall be determined pursuant to standards promulgated by the Commissioner of Insurance by regulation adopted pursuant to the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L. 1968, c. 410 (C. 52:14B-1 et seq.).

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Public Works Contractor Registration pursuant to N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.48 et seq. is required for all projects/contracts that include construction, reconstruction, demolition, alteration, and alteration of repair or maintenance work on a public building.
- All Bidders and their subcontractors are required to submit a copy of their Business Registration Certificate issued by the New Jersey Division of Taxation pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:32-44.
- Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25 et seq. (Prevailing Wage Act) and N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2, which requires a statement setting forth the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation or partnership who owns 10% or more of its stock, of any class or of individual partners in the partnership who own 10% or greater interest therein, as the case may be.
- Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:24 (Contract Compliance and Affirmative Action for Public Contracts). A copy of the law is available at the City Clerk's Office upon request and is made a part of the Bid Documents.
- Bidders are required to comply with all statutes, regulations and ordinance, if any, outlined in the Bid Documents that are applicable to the Cape May Convention Hall Project.

RESERVATION OF RIGHTS: The City of Cape May will evaluate all bids and any award will be made to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder. The City of Cape May reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any irregularities or informalities in the bids received.

It is the purpose of this Notice to Bidders to summarize some of the more important provisions of the Bid Documents. Prospective bidders are cautioned not to rely solely on this summary, but to read the Bid Documents in their entirety.

Bruce MacLeod,
City Manager
Cape May, New Jersey