

NOTICE TO ARCHITECT/ENGINEERS
BT-927 Trish & Dan Bell Chapel & BT-929 East Loop Road Realignment

The Florida International University Board of Trustees announces that services in the discipline of Architecture/Engineering are required for the project identified below:

Project Name and Number: Trish & Dan Bell Chapel, BT-927 and BT-929 East Loop Road Realignment

Project Location: Modesto Maidique Campus, Miami, Florida

This notice is for Architect/Engineer services for the combined east loop road realignment and a new chapel building to be constructed on the MMC Campus. FIU intends to merge these two projects together as one to help ensure cost efficiency and coordinated construction workflow sequencing. Individual project names and numbers from the two facilities programs will be retained to separate accounting of project components. The work on the combined project has been authorized and funded through completion of design. Funding for construction work will require additional authorization by the FIU Board of Trustees.

Project Description - Chapel:

FIU embraces a multi-dimensional experience for students— engaging the mind, body, and spirit – to provide the necessary foundation for our students to develop as well-rounded persons, professionals, citizens, and world changers. The Trish and Dan Bell Chapel intends to serve as the pivotal venue on campus that enhances the spiritual component of the student experience at FIU, creating a community united by faith. FIU intends to build a multifaith chapel – a quiet oasis from the fast pace of university life. Not inherently a temple, mosque, synagogue, church, or gurdwara, the chapel will be a welcoming place for all faiths. It will be a place where spiritual inquiry is encouraged and serve as a gathering place for worship, contemplation, spiritual strengthening, and understanding. It will offer a sanctuary and auxiliary spaces for ceremonies, lectures, retreats, prayer, spiritual guidance, and individual reflection. FIU hopes that the multifaith chapel will help draw individuals to deep thought and encourage them to intentions of human betterment and a commitment to action that will make a positive difference in the lives of others.

With over 16 active faith-based groups and devoted student clubs at FIU, a shared space for discovery and understanding will facilitate their work. Although FIU’s faith-based groups all meet on campus, there is currently only one dedicated space in student-support facilities to accommodate them – a small 250-square-foot room. There is no dedicated space for directors of faith-based groups to hold office hours or meet with interested members of the university community.

Located on FIU’s main campus on the lake adjacent to the Ronald W. Reagan Presidential House, the chapel will serve as a celebratory center for religious life-stage milestones and as an impromptu place of respite for any who are in need of solace and peace.

The main space in the chapel will seat up to 250 persons and there must be sufficient meeting space for leaders in our multifaith community to have offices to meet with and counsel individuals from the university community in privacy and confidence. The building should include several smaller spaces allowing for group meetings and smaller-scale events to take place simultaneously within the chapel. A small reflection room should be accessible 24/7 via a separate entrance. Per the gift agreement, there shall be an appropriately-sized bell tower on the exterior of the chapel, preferably the roof.

The design challenge is to create a space which celebrates the shared values and principles of our multifaith community while not relying on the display of religious symbols. It is expected the building architecture should visually grab your attention; generating curiosity, collaboration and extend feelings of welcome and belonging. There is a desire to use elements of nature as inspiration to express the shared spiritual experience which is unique to the planet we inhabit. The design should emphasize sustainable design practice. The University is committed to producing buildings that comply with sustainable energy conservation strategies and standards (minimum LEED Silver Certification).

Project Description – Road Realignment:

The East Loop Road project seeks to realign a part of the original campus loop road to enhance traffic flow and improve turning radii for large vehicles servicing the Graham Center. It is intended that this project create a larger

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available site area east of the Graham Center Ballrooms to allow expansion of Graham Center meeting facilities as well as allowing/enhancing bus and VIP pickup, drop-off and valet parking for Graham Center events.

Partial filling of Lake #4 (a man-made borrow pit) will be required as part of this project.

This Project shall be coordinated with “Trish & Dan Bell Chapel” so that a suitable site for construction is created adjacent to Lake #4 including required drop-off, service access and clearance from lake edge. If practicable, stub-outs or sleeves shall be provided to the Chapel site so that the newly realigned road will not have to be cut for Chapel utility connections.

This Project shall include design considerations for tram, cart and/or van routes and bus stops being proposed or developed in the area by FIU that may cross or parallel or be located on the campus loop road. Bus shelters located along the loop road in areas where it is to be realigned, shall be relocated along the realigned road.

This road realignment project may be done in two phases. The mandatory first phase is from near the entrance of Parking Lot #35 south to the north part of the traffic circle on SW 16th Street. If budget allows or additional funds become available, a second phase of work may be included to complete work north from Parking Lot #35 to the area indicated in diagrams on pages VII-1 and VIII-1 of the Program published on the project website.

Note:

Applicants are hereby notified that in the event the University is unable to secure full funding, the University intends to proceed only with design and construction of fully funded project components, if any.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Firms desiring to apply for consideration shall submit copies of a Letter of Intent and Summary with an Introduction Narrative highlighting qualifications/legal nature of organization including a proposed organization chart and the following required proposal data attached:

1. A completed "Florida International University Professional Qualifications Supplement (**FIUPQS**)." The latest version of official **FIUPQS** forms (FIUPQS_08_2015) must be downloaded from the FIU web site at https://facilities.fiu.edu/projects/BT-927_and_BT-929.htm. Applications on any other form will not be considered.
2. A copy of the applicant's current Professional Registration Certificate from the appropriate Governing board. An applicant must be properly registered at the time of application to practice its profession in the State of Florida. If the applicant is a corporation, it must be properly chartered by the Florida Department of State to operate in Florida.

Submit twelve (12) bound copies of the required proposal data and one electronic copy in Adobe Acrobat PDF format of the requested qualifications to: Selection Committee, Florida International University, Facilities Planning, Campus Support Complex, 11555 S.W. 17th St., Room CSC-142, Modesto A. Maidique Campus, Miami, Florida 33199. Applications that do not comply with the above instructions will not be considered. Application material will not be returned. The University reserves the right to suspend or discontinue the selection process at any time and to return or reject any or all submissions of qualifications without obligation to the respondent. The award of this contract is subject to availability of funds.

The plans and specifications prepared by the A/E are subject to reuse in accordance with the provisions of Section 287.055, Florida Statutes. As required by Section 287.133, Florida Statutes, a consultant may not submit a proposal for this project if it is on the convicted vendor list for a public entity crime committed within the past 36 months. **The selected consultant must warrant that it will neither utilize the services of, nor contract with, any supplier, subcontractor, or consultant in excess of in excess of the threshold amount provided in Section 287.017, Florida Statutes for CATEGORY TWO in connection with this project for a period of 36 months from the date of their being placed on the convicted vendor list.**

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FIU HAS CREATED STANDARD CONTRACT FORMS, GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION AND STANDARD INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO CM SERVICES TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE PROCESS. THESE FORMS ARE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW, AND CAN BE FOUND AT <http://facilities.fiu.edu/formsandstandards.htm>

ALL APPLICANTS SHOULD REVIEW THE APPLICABLE FIU CONTRACT FORM AND STANDARD INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS CAREFULLY PRIOR TO MAKING A DECISION AS TO WHETHER OR NOT TO RESPOND TO THIS ADVERTISEMENT.

Pursuant to §448.095, Fla. Stat., the selected consultant will have to certify that it is registered with and uses the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to verify the employment eligibility of all new employees hired by the consultant during the term of its contract with FIU. If the consultant enters into a contract with a subcontractor to perform work or provide services pursuant to its contract with FIU, the consultant shall likewise require the subcontractor to comply with the requirements of §448.095, Fla. Stat., and the subcontractor shall provide to the consultant an affidavit stating that the subcontractor does not employ, contract with or subcontract with an unauthorized alien. The consultant shall maintain a copy of such affidavit for the duration of its Contract with FIU. This section serves as notice to the consultant regarding the requirements of §448.095, Fla. Stat., and FIU's obligation to terminate the contract if it has a good faith belief that the consultant has knowingly violated §448.095, Fla. Stat. If terminated for such reason, the consultant will not be eligible for award of a public contract for at least one year after the date of such termination. Further, FIU has an obligation to order the immediate termination of any contract between the consultant and a subcontractor performing work on its behalf should FIU develop a good faith belief that the subcontractor has knowingly violated §448.095, Fla. Stat. FIU reserves the right to request documentation from the consultant evidencing its compliance with §448.095, Fla. Stat. at any time during the term of the contract.

All applicants should review Section 448.095, Fla. Stat. carefully.

The Project Fact Sheet, which describes the selection process schedule for this Project and additional information regarding the Project scope, may be obtained from the web-site https://facilities.fiu.edu/projects/BT-927_and_BT-929.htm. Requests for meetings by individual firms will not be granted. Once the firm acquires the required forms, questions may be directed to Facilities Planning via email to griffith@fiu.edu cc: angpaz@fiu.edu

SUBMIT QUALIFICATIONS TO: Selection Committee, Florida International University, Facilities Planning, Campus Support Complex, 11555 S.W. 17th St., Room #142, Modesto A. Maidique Campus, Miami, Florida 33199. Submittals must be received **between 8:30 A.M. and 12:30 P.M. or 1:30 P.M and 4:00 P.M. local time, Thursday, April 8, 2021.**

Submittals will not be accepted before or after the times and date stated above. Facsimile (FAX) submittals are not acceptable and will not be considered.

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