**Connecticut Department of Administrative Services, Construction Services**

**Office of Legal Affairs, Policy, & Procurement**

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| **Request for Qualifications (RFQ) Web Advertisement****For Consultant Services** |
| **IMPORTANT NOTE:** | **UPDATED 2019:** DAS Construction Services now requires Portable Document Format (PDF) Quality Based Selection (QBS) Submittal Booklets to be **uploaded** **on-line** through DAS BizNet. *Please read this RFQ Web Advertisement and all referenced documents carefully.* |
| **Uploading On-Line QBS Submittal Booklets:** | Follow the instructions in **1212 QBS Submittal Booklet Instructions,** available for download from the **DAS/CS Library** (https://portal.ct.gov/DASCSLibrary) > 1000 Series > 1200 Series |

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| **1. Project Information** |
| **1.1** | **QBS Submittal Deadline:** | Deadline for the receipt of the QBS Submittal Booklets is: |
| **3:00 p.m.** | **Friday, March 13, 2020**  |
| **1.2** | **Contract Number:** | **CF-RC-403-ARC** |
| **1.3** | **Project Title:** | **Memorial Hall Renovations** |
| **1.4** | **Project Location:** | **Central Connecticut State University – 1615 Stanley Street, New Britain, CT 06050** |
| **1.5** | **Total Construction Cost:** | **$4,550,000** |
| **1.6** | **User Agency:** | **Central Connecticut State University** |
| **1.7** | **Project Planning Dates:** | **Project Planning Start Date:** | **June 28, 2017** |
| **Scheduled Shortlisting/Screening Date:** | **Monday, March 19, 2020** |
| **Shortlisted Firms Walk-Thru Date:** | **N/A** |
| **Scheduled Selection/Interview Date:** | **Thursday, April 2, 2020** |
| **1.8** | **General Statement:** | In accordance with the requirements of the Connecticut General Statutes §4b-55 through §4b-59, the State of Connecticut Department of Administrative Services/Construction Services (DAS/CS) Office of Legal Affairs, Policy, & Procurement (OLAPP) advertises for Requests for Qualifications (RFQs) for the Consultant Services specified below. |
| **1.9** | **Selection Type:** | This RFQ is for the following selection type:  |
| Connecticut State Colleges & Universities (CSCU) “Connecticut Health and Education Facilities Authority (CHEFA)” Project Consultant Services Selection |
| **1.10** | **DAS Contractor Classification:** | This RFQ is for the following DAS Contractor Classification ([DAS-Contractor-Classification-List](https://authoring.ct.gov/DAS/Procurement/PreQual/DAS-Contractor-Classification-List)):  |
| **General Building Construction (Group B)** |
| **1.11** | **Project Delivery Method and Consultant Services:** | This RFQ is for the following project delivery method and consultant services:  |
| **Design-Bid-Build (D-B-B) Project:** **Architect/Engineer (A/E) consultants** are selected to develop design and construction documents for the State to publically bid the Major Capital Project. The general contractor that is the "lowest responsible and qualified bidder" is then awarded a contract by the State to build the Project. |

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| **1. Project Information** (continued) |
| **1.12** | **Project Description:** | Memorial Hall is the original food service facility on the CCSU campus, built in 1971, with two freight elevators and one passenger elevator. The planned renovation focuses on mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and fire suppression system upgrades and replacement, as well as architectural and structural to support these upgrades and replacements. The existing sanitary, wastewater, and floor drains that support the kitchens are to be upgraded as well. The existing waste water stream does not flow through properly installed and sized grease traps. The piping systems are located under concrete kitchen floors and are in deteriorating condition due to use and age. Camera and investigation will need to be provided to field verify locations and conditions of piping. The kitchen and server areas are to be renovated as they are original to the building. Cosmetic upgrades such as window shades or glass film to help minimize heat transmission into the building are included. A replacement dirty dish conveyor system is included. Selected designer will need to incorporate proprietary components into their design. The building is expected to be occupied through design and construction, and will need to be phased to maintain operations. Summer construction will be preferred. The Department of Administrative services (DAS) Construction Services (DAS/CS) is seeking the services of a highly talented and experienced Engineering team. The team will provide engineering services to the DAS/CS in support of the Memorial Hall Renovations project located at Central Connecticut State University in New Britain, Connecticut. |
| **1.13** | **Designated Services:** | The following designated tasks shall be required for this project and conducted from within the Consultant Team, including but not limited to the following types of services:**Architect/Engineering (A/E) Design Team Consultant – Designated Services:**The Architect/Engineering (A/E) Design Team shall work closely with the Construction Administrator (CA) and Construction Manager (as applicable) to provide the following **designated services** for this Project. The A/E scope of servicesresponsibilities shall include, but not be limited to, the following tasks:* Schematic Design Phase, Design Development Phase, Construction Documents Phase, Bidding Phase, Construction Phase.
* Mechanical / Electrical / Plumbing Engineering.
* Fire Protection Engineering.
* Structural Engineering.
* Connecticut High Performance Building.
* Code Consultant.
* Cost Estimator.
* Building Information Modeling (BIM) Use and Process.
* Budget reconciliation and value engineering.
* Commercial Kitchen Design.
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| **1.14** | **CT330 Parts I & II (Divisions 4 & 5, QBS Submittal Booklet):** | **The CT330 Part I (Division 4 of your firm’s QBS Submittal Booklet) shall:*** Demonstrate that your Team has successfully completed similar projects (D-B-B, CMR, or Design-Build, as applicable) on schedule, on budget, and to a level of quality commensurate with the Owner’s requirements;
* Define your Team’s role with similar projects (D-B-B, CMR, or Design-Build, as applicable) to this Project, and the services the Team provided to the project. Include a brief summary of each prior project showing adherence to original completion schedule, and, if off schedule, an explanation; and adherence to the original budget including summary information on the value of the Change Orders that occurred, by type. This summary material must include five (5) current or recent projects.
* Provide Team organization chart showing the Team’s organization and staffing located in the northeast (i.e., New England, New York, and New Jersey). This chart should identify the major business areas and indicate how the architectural, engineering, or CA staff (as applicable) report to senior management.
* Provide resumes for the assigned Key Personnel member(s) that have the experience with the scope of work, complexity, and dollar value of similar projects to this Project. The resumes of the key personnel shall show the staff’s primary involvement in architectural, engineering, or CA services (as applicable) for the past three (3) to five (5) years.
* If applicable to this Project, provide the resume of the **CA Construction Scheduler** in your firm’s QBS Submittal Booklet. **DO NOT** provide any CA Commissioning Agent’s (CxA) resume or qualifications as part of your QBS Submittal Booklet.
* ***NEW:*** Provide the $ Hourly Rates for the Key Personnel proposed for the Contract.

**The CT330 Part II (Division 5 of your firm’s QBS Submittal Booklet) shall:*** Demonstrate that each firm that has a key role on the Team has enough diversity of skills and a sufficient number of staff with required disciplines and skill sets to meet Contract needs.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** Failure to submit the qualifications and/or resume(s) material noted in CT330 Part I and Part II (Divisions 4 and 5) ***may*** result in your submission being deemed **deficient.** If deemed deficient,your firm ***will not*** be allowed to pursue this specific Contract. |

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| **2. QBS Consultant Procedures** |
| **2.1** | Download ***1210 QBS Guidelines for Selection and Contract Limits*** and ***1212 QBS Submittal Booklet Instructions*:** |
|  | **⚫** | Go to the **DAS/CS Library** website (<https://portal.ct.gov/DASCSLibrary>) |
|  | **⚫** | Click on “1000 Series - Project Initiation and Consultant Selection” |
|  | **⚫** | Click on “1200 Series – Consultant Selection Forms” |
|  | **⚫** | Scroll down and click on the appropriate document. |
| **2.2** | **Review** contract limitationsin ***1210 QBS Guidelines for Selection and Contract Limits*:** |
|  | **⚫** | Review ***1210 QBS Guidelines for Selection and Contract Limits*** prior to responding to this RFQ.  |
|  | **⚫** | Determine if your firm meets or exceeds Contracts Limitations for this specific Contract.  |
|  | **⚫** | If your firm *exceeds* the number of allowable Contracts as described in ***1210 QBS Guidelines for Selection and Contract Limits*** *and still submits* a QBS Submittal Booklet,your firmshall not be considered any further for this specific Project.  |
| **2.3** | **Create a BizNet Account:** |
|  | **⚫** | Create a **Business Network (BizNet) account** in the State of Connecticut web-based platform by clicking the following link and following all instructions: <https://www.biznet.ct.gov/AccountMaint/Login.aspx>.  |
|  | **⚫** | Additional instructions can be found in the ***1212 QBS Submittal Booklet Instructions*.** (Download the instructions from the **DAS/CS Library** as described in **2.1** above.) |
|  | **⚫** | Click on the following link for detailed information regarding creating BizNet Accounts:<https://portal.ct.gov/DAS/Procurement/Contracting/DAS-Procurement-BizNet-Accounts> |
| **2.4** | **Upload Affidavits and Certifications:** |
|  | **⚫** | **Electronically upload** certain Affidavits and Certifications ***prior*** to the QBS Submittal Deadline.  |
|  | **⚫** | Detailed instructions can be found in the ***1212 QBS Submittal Booklet Instructions*.**  |
|  | **⚫** | Click on the following link for additional information about uploading Affidavits and Certifications:<https://portal.ct.gov/DAS/Procurement/Contracting/DAS-Procurement-BizNet-Accounts> |
|  | **⚫** | **NOTE:** Failure to **properly complete, sign, date, and upload** all of the required Affidavits and Certifications to BizNet ***prior*** to the QBS Submittal Deadline ***shall*** result in the firm’s submittal being deemed deficient and the firm ***will not*** be allowed to pursue this specific Contract. Violations of Affidavits and Certifications (including, but not limited to, CGS §9-612(f)(2)(A)), ***may*** result in disqualification from entering into a State of Connecticut contract. Once uploaded, Affidavits and Certifications shall be updated and submitted as required by law. |
| **2.5** | **Prepare and Upload a QBS Submittal Booklet:** |
|  | **⚫** | Prepare a **Portable Document Format (PDF) QBS Submittal Booklet** in accordance with ***1212 QBS Submittal Booklet Instructions*.**  |
|  | **⚫** | Upload **one (1) complete PDF QBS Submittal Booklet** *prior* to the QBS Submittal Deadline by going to the **RFQ Web Advertisement** for the Contract on the [State Contracting Portal](https://biznet.ct.gov/SCP_Search/Default.aspx?AccLast=2) and clicking on **“Submit On-Line Request for Qualification”.**  |
|  | **⚫** | **NOTE:** Failure to submit properly formatted QBS Submittal Booklets with all of the required contents by the designated deadline ***may*** result in the firm’s submittal being deemed deficient. If deemed deficient,the firm ***will not*** be allowed to pursue this specific Contract. |

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| **3. QBS Longlist, Shortlist, Interview, and Fee Proposal Procedures** |
| **3.1** | **Longlist Procedure (Pre-Screening):** |
|  | **⚫** | After the QBS Submittal Deadline has closed, the DAS/CS Policy & Procurement Unit will (1) determine if any prospective consultant firm exceeds contract limitations as specified in ***1210 QBS Guidelines for Selection and Contract Limits*,** and (2)review all QBS Submittal Booklets for compliance with ***1212 QBS Submittal Booklet Instructions*.**  |
|  | **⚫** | If a firm does *not* exceed the contract limitations *and* their QBS Submittal Booklet is acceptable, the firm *shall be* placed on the **“Longlist”** of consultant firms to be evaluated by the QBS Selection Panel. |
|  | **⚫** | If a firm *exceeds* the contract limitations, the firm ***shall not be*** considered any further for the specific Contract. |
|  | **⚫** | If a firm’s QBS Submittal Booklet is deficient, the firm ***may not be*** considered any further for the specific Contract. |
| **3.2** | **Shortlist Procedure (Screening):** |
|  | **⚫** | The QBS process is based on comparing and evaluating weighted criteria of qualifications and performance of all firms in relation to work of similar scope and complexity that is required for this specific contract in order to create a “Shortlist” of the most highly qualified firms. Each QBS Submittal Booklet will be evaluated by a QBS Selection Panel in accordance with the following “Screening Shortlist Rating Criteria Categories” and rating points:  |
|  |  | **Max. Rating Points:** | **Screening Shortlist Rating Criteria Categories:** |
|  |  | 50 | Proposed Key Personnel’s Specialized Experience And Technical Competence For The Type Of Services Required For This Project |
|  |  | 30 | Proposed Team’s Capacity And Capability To Perform The Work, Including Any “Specialized Services” Required For This Project |
|  |  | 20 | Prime Firm’s Past Performance Record With The State And Other Clients |
|  | **⚫** | After each booklet has been evaluated, the DAS/CS Policy & Procurement Unit will use the ratings to compute and create a list of the “most highly qualified firms” and, along with the total volume of work awarded to each firm in the previous five years (including number of contracts and dollar amounts), will furnish a “Screening Approval Memorandum” to DAS/CS Senior Management. DAS/CS Senior Management will review the memorandum and, using the ratings and total volume of work\*, will select the firms to be Shortlisted and invited to present their qualifications at an Interview. (\*NOTE: In order to achieve an equitable distribution of contracts, DAS/CS Senior Management may utilize the total volume of workto select the firms to be Shortlisted, provided, however, that the principle of selection of the most highly qualified firms is not violated.) |
| **3.4** | **Interview Procedure (Selection):** |
|  | **⚫** | Shortlisted firms will be invited to attend a ***mandatory*** **site visit**, **scope meeting**, and **interview**. Each firm’s Interview presentation will be evaluated by the QBS Selection Panel in accordance with the following “Selection Interview Rating Criteria Categories”: |
|  |  | **Selection Interview Rating Criteria Categories** |
|  |  | ⮚ | Proposed Team’s Experience With Projects Of Similar Size & Scope As This Project |
|  |  | ⮚ | Proposed Team’s Approach To The Work Required For This Project |
|  |  | ⮚ | Proposed Team’s Organizational Structure and Availability For This Project  |
|  |  | ⮚ | Prime Firm’s Geographic Proximity To & Familiarity With The Area In Which The Project Is Located |
|  |  | ⮚ | Proposed Team’s Relevant Knowledge Of Connecticut Building & Fire Codes |
|  | **⚫** | ***NEW PROCEDURE – RANKING:*** No “Rating Points” will be assigned per category. In the place of Rating Points, the QBS Selection Panel will independently “rank” each of the Consultant Teams on a scale of 1st (most qualified for this Contract) to 5th (least qualified for this Contract) at the conclusion of all Interviews.  |
|  | **⚫** | ***NEW PROCEDURE – CONSULTANT SERVICES FEE PROPOSAL:*** The top three most qualified firms will be notified and required to submit a **“Consultant Services Fee Proposal”** within ten (10) calendar days of the notification. Details will be included in the notification. |
|  | **⚫** | The DAS/CS Policy & Procurement Unit will create a “Certified List” of the most highly qualified firms and, along with the total volume of work awarded to each firm in the previous five years\* and the Consultant Services Fee Proposals, will furnish a “Selection Approval Memorandum” to the DAS Deputy Commissioner or his delegated individual for his review and approval. . (\*NOTE: In order to achieve an equitable distribution of contracts, the Deputy Commissioner or his delegated individual may utilize the total volume of workto determine the final selection of the most qualified firm.) |
| **3.5** | **Conditional Selection Procedure:** |
|  | **⚫** | The DAS/CS Policy & Procurement Unit will email the selected firm a “Conditional Selection Notification Letter” which will provide instructions regarding additional information that must be submitted for the processing of its contract.  |

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| **4. QBS Contacts** |
| **NOTE:** Responses to requests for more specific Project information than is contained in this Advertisement shall be limited to information that is available to all firms and that is necessary to complete this QBS process. **All requests for more specific Project information must be sent in writing (email acceptable).** |
| **4.1 For General QBS Submittal Questions:** | **4.2 For Specific Project Questions:** |
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