

# **Bid Opportunity**

Columbia University Manhattanville University Forum



ver 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**

Skanska USA Building Inc., acting as a Construction Manager for Columbia University, is currently soliciting qualified building work contractors including Minority Business Enterprises (MBE), Women Business Enterprises (WBE) and Local Business Enterprises (LBE) for the University Forum starting in April 2015 for the following trades: site work and excavation, foundations and slabs, structural steel and deck, architecturally exposed structural steel, intumescent painting, sprayon fireproofing, metal stairs, elevators, concrete and hoist and sidewalk bridges. Future bid packages will include: roofing, masonry, miscellaneous and ornamental metals, exterior stairs, carpentry and drywall, interior finishes, auditorium equipment and MEP trades.

#### **Bid Period**

April 2015 through January 2017.

# **Project Background**

Columbia is developing its new academic mixed-use campus in the Manhattanville area of West Harlem over several decades. The 17-acre academic mixed-use program is located approximately between Broadway and 12th Avenue, from the north side of West 125<sup>th</sup> Street to the south side of 133<sup>rd</sup> Street.

The University Forum is a multi-purpose venue which will form the southern anchor point of the Manhattanville Development. The building will include a 430-seat auditorium, meeting rooms, and catered and grab-and- go food service areas and University offices. The University Forum will have three-levels and

a below grade space totaling approximately 60,000 SF. The building will also include about 30 faculty offices and office support.

Excavation, foundations and concrete may begin in the third quarter of 2015, and steel erection for the University Forum may begin in the first quarter of 2017.

## Qualifications

Union firms with successful track records of completing site work projects in New York City.

Familiarity with permitting, local codes, regulations and laws, including experience and interaction with all Authorities having Jurisdiction. Must have experience with completing similar past projects with construction value ranging from \$200,000 to over \$10,000,000 depending upon specific trade package.

## **Insurance Requirements**

- 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 (policy limit); bodily injury by disease (each employee)
- Commercial General Liability with a combined single limit for bodily injury, personal injury and property damage of at least \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000 per occurrence (depending upon bid package) and \$10,000,000 aggregate.



# Minority, Women, and Local Workforce Participation Requirements

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

### **Contact Information**

If interested in being considered, contact Van Thompson (van.thompson@skanska.com) or Doug Maines (doug.maines@skanska.com) at Skanska USA to receive more information and a prequalification form.

Please forward pre-qualification forms to:

Skanska USA Building Empire State Building 350 Fifth Avenue, 32<sup>nd</sup> Floor New York, NY 10118 Attn: Van Thompson Phone: 917-438-4512

\*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, 10030, 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.

