SECTION A

INVITATION FOR BID

Sealed bids will be received by Studio 8 Design, LLC until <u>10:00 AM</u> (local time) on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>November 2, 2023</u> in the Multi-Purpose Room on the second floor of the Lowndes County Administration Building, 327 North Ashley Street, Valdosta, GA 31601. Bids will be publicly opened and read. Late bids will not be considered.

The work to be bid consists of furnishing all equipment, materials, and labor required for the construction of A New Storage Building for Lowndes 911 (1515 Madison Highway, Valdosta, GA 31601) including complete building construction and grounds work.

Bidding documents may be obtained through Studio 8 Design, LLC in Valdosta, GA, 229-244-1188, email: <u>sflythe@s8darchitects.com</u>.

Bidders are cautioned that acquisition of Bidding Documents through any other source other than Studio 8 Design, LLC is not advisable. Acquisition of Bidding Documents from unauthorized sources places the bidder at risk of receiving incomplete or inaccurate information upon which to base the bid.

Each bidder is required to examine the site of the proposed work, the Proposal Form, Specifications, Supplemental Instructions, Special Provisions and Contract forms before submitting a bid. Examination of existing conditions will be restricted to the <u>mandatory Pre-Bid</u> <u>Meeting</u> at the site (1515 Madison Highway, Valdosta, GA 31601) on <u>Thursday, October 19,</u> <u>2023 starting promptly at 10:00 AM.</u>

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond (Bond only; cashier's check or other forms are not acceptable) in an amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the bid for the complete work. The Bid Bond shall be forfeited to the Owner as liquidated damages if the Bidder fails to execute the Contract and provide Performance and Payment Bonds within ten (10) calendar days after being notified that he has been awarded the Contract.

Qualifications of the bidder will be reviewed before the award of the Contract. The Owner may consider award of the Contract to a bidder other than the low bidder. Bids may not be withdrawn for a period of forty-five (45) days after the date bids are opened. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any technicalities.

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