

## **ADDENDUM NO. 2**

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**Marianas High School Career Technical Education Center Construction Project**

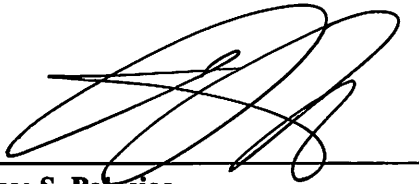
**NMHC IFB 2024-006**

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- 1. General:** The following revisions, additions, corrections, and/or clarifications to the specifications shall apply to the work affected thereby. Careful note of the Addendum shall be taken into consideration by the bidder/contractor, and all trade affected shall be fully advised of the information contained herein. In the event of conflicts between the drawings, specifications and this Addendum, the content of this Addendum shall govern. All further conflicts in the work resulting from or caused by, the contents of this Addendum must be brought to the attention of the Contracting Officer for resolution. Failure to acknowledge this Addendum in accordance with the instructions, may subject your bid to rejection on the affected item(s)/services(s).
- 2. Bid Submission Extension:** Please see Exhibit A

*(Note: acknowledgement of addendums must be indicated in the bid proposal form.)*

**All other requirements of the Invitation For Bids (IFB) shall remain as stated**



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## Amendment No. 2

### INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB)

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### NMHC IFB 2024-006

#### MARIANAS HIGH-SCHOOL CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION CENTER CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

The Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC) is soliciting sealed bids for the Marianas High-School Career Technical Education Center Construction Project.

The proposed project activity will be an approximately 42,000 square-foot, reinforced concrete two story building. The new facility will include technical education classrooms include automotive workshop, culinary arts training kitchen, performing arts theatre, mock-up hotel room, various classrooms, flexible spaces, electrical room, telecom room, storage space, office space, designated loading area, restrooms, fire pump room, water tank, exterior walkways, and an exterior enclosure for mechanical equipment.

The site improvements include perimeter sidewalks, training kitchen garden, grading as the building is raised 2' above existing grade, driveway to allow vehicles access to the theatre back of house, and driveway to the automotive workshop.

Site water will be connected through a new connection along Beach Road. The facility's sanitary sewer system will connect to the existing sewer gravity lines within the campus Power will be routed from Beach Road and to a new pad mounted transformer just west of the building.

The project is funded through the Economic Development Authority (EDA), US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) through the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation (NMHC), and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) through the CNMI Office of the Governor, Public Assistance Office (PAO). EDA and HUD funding will be utilized for the superstructure and site improvements.

The Project Package will be available beginning **April 30, 2024**, at the NMHC Central Office in Garapan, Saipan, during regular working hours (7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) Monday thru Friday except CNMI holidays. A non-refundable payment of **One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00)** is required for each set of the project package. Payment must be made payable to NMHC and receipt of payment must be presented when obtaining the project package at the reception counter.

A Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the NMHC Central Office in Garapan, Saipan on **May 24, 2024, 10:00 a.m.** In addition, a Mandatory site Visit/Inspection of the project site will be conducted immediately after the Pre-Bid Conference. Failure to attend both the Mandatory Pre-bid conference and the Mandatory site Visit/Inspection will be considered a non-responsive bidder.

Sealed bids must be marked **NMHC IFB 2024-006**. For Bidders within the CNMI, an original, three (3) copies of sealed bids and one (1) USB flash drive must be submitted to the NMHC Central Office, Garapan, Saipan MP 96950, **no later than 2:00 p.m. July 05, 2024 July 19, 2024**. Bids received after the date and

time will not be accepted. Bidders located outside the CNMI may obtain an additional seven (7) working days for receipt of their bids by submitting a **Notice of Intent to Bid**. Notice of Intent to Bid must be received by the Procurement Officer no later than 2:00 p.m. local time, ~~July 05, 2024~~ **July 19, 2024**, and must be transmitted via facsimile to (670) 234-9021, or via email to [officemanager@nmhcgov.net](mailto:officemanager@nmhcgov.net). For bidders outside the CNMI, an original, three (3) copies and one (1) USB Flash Drive of sealed bids must be postmarked by the U.S. Postal Services or the official government postal service of a foreign country no later than ~~July 05, 2024~~ **July 19, 2024**, and must be received at NMHC no later than ~~July 16, 2024~~ **July 30, 2024**. Note that failure to submit the required number of copies may be cause for rejection of a bid.

Bids will be publicly opened and read at the NMHC Central Office, Garapan, Saipan at **2:30 p.m.** local ~~July 05, 2024~~ **July 19, 2024**. However, if notice of intent to bid is received from bidders outside the CNMI, bids will be opened at **2:00 p.m.** local time on ~~July 17, 2024~~ **July 31, 2024**

**Bid Security:** Bids shall be accompanied by a bid guarantee of not less than fifteen percent (15%) of the amount of the bid which may be a Bid Bond (form enclosed) in cash, by certified check, cashiers' check or other form acceptable to NMHC.

Bidding Procedures shall be in compliance with the NMHC Procurement Regulations (NMIAC § 100-60)

Breach of Ethical Standard

#### **NMIAC § 100-60-725 (a) Gratuities and Kickbacks**

**Gratuities.** It shall be a breach of ethical standards for any person to offer, give or agree to give any employee or former employee or for any employee or former employee to solicit, demand accept, or agree to accept from another person, a gratuity or an offer of employment in connection with any decision, approval, disapproval, recommendation, preparation of any part of a program requirement or purchase request, influencing the content of any specification or procurement standard, rendering of advice, investigation, auditing or any other advisory capacity in any proceeding or application, determination, claim or controversy, or other particular matter, pertaining to any program requirement or a contract or subcontract or to any solicitation or proposal therefor.

**Kickbacks.** It shall be a breach of ethical standards for any payment, gratuity, or offer of employment to be made by or on behalf of a subcontractor under a contract to the prime contractor or higher tier subcontractor or any person associated therewith as an inducement for the award of a subcontractor or order.

#### **NMIAC 100-60-730 Prohibition Against Contingent Fees**

**Contingent Fees.** It shall be a breach of ethical standards for a person to be retained, or to retain a person, to solicit or secure NMHC contracts upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, except for retention of bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial selling agencies for the purpose of securing business.

NMHC hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that, in any contracts entered into pursuant to this advertisement, small, minority businesses and women's business enterprises will be afforded equal opportunity to submit bids and will not be discriminated against on grounds of race, color, religion, sex, disabilities or national origin.

This project is also subject to Section of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1968 which requires the successful bidder to the "maximum extent feasible", take affirmative steps to provide training, contracting and employment opportunities and help ensure that the economic opportunities generated by these HUD funds are provided to local low-income residents in Saipan.

**NMHC reserves the right to reject any and all proposals for any reason and to waive any defects in the bids if determined to be in its best interest. All bids received shall become the property of the Commonwealth Government**

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