

Notice of Disposition of Petition for Administrative Determination have been filed by the Division of Administrative Hearings on the following rules:

NONE

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Notices of Petitions and Dispositions Regarding Non-rule Policy Challenges

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

NOTICE TO PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANTS

University of South Florida Polytechnic announces that Professional Services in the discipline of Architecture will be required for the project listed below:

PROJECT NUMBER: 555

PROJECT AND LOCATION: USF Polytechnic – Phase I Facility, University of South Florida Polytechnic, Lakeland, Florida.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The interdisciplinary USF Polytechnic – Phase I Facility will primarily provide large multi-user interdisciplinary shared core facilities. The plan includes two 100-seat classrooms and multiple smaller classrooms to support student enrollment needs in upcoming years. These classrooms will be scheduled by USF Polytechnic to meet growth in technology. Teaching laboratories for the disciplines of engineering, sciences, arts, business and information technology will provide space for interdisciplinary laboratory courses, as well as more traditional upper and lower division courses as needed. Multiple commons spaces for faculty and support staff is also included in the project. The space in this facility is designated to promote interdisciplinary research and teaching.

Polytechnic ideals are strongly oriented toward interdisciplinary, collaborative relationships – between faculty members, support staff, student support, and others. The

concept of a commons is strongly evocative of these interactions; the co-location and interweaving of faculty members across disciplines, for example, encourages and facilitates the dynamic exchange of ideas so critical for interdisciplinary efforts. The close physical proximity of faculty, staff and students creates a collection of “critical masses,” providing constant opportunities for productive interaction.

The USF Polytechnic – Phase I project includes approximately 60,000 NASF of space funded by State PECO funding, and an option for approximately 30,000 – 50,000 NASF of additional space proposed to be funded through private/public FECGP funding.

This multi-story facility will accommodate upper and lower division interdisciplinary teaching and research needs of the USF Polytechnic. The facility is planned to include research labs (approximately 1,250 NASF); teaching labs (approximately 27,500 NASF); classrooms (approximately 5,000 NASF); office space (approximately 29,000 NASF); instructional media (approximately 7,300 NASF); study space (approximately 12,000 NASF); support and student space (approximately 7,300 NASF); with an additional shell space (approximately 20,000 NASF) if funding permits.

The Phase I Facility is only the first construction of a multi-phased Master Plan which creates an integrated, fully-engaged university campus environment at a highly visible location on Interstate 4 midway along the 80 miles between the Tampa Bay and Orlando megalopolis areas. In addition to serving the needs of its tri-county service area, this university is intended to be a destination campus with a vibrant residential and campus life component. Given this location, the USF Polytechnic seeks an iconic design for this facility.

The construction budget is estimated to be approximately \$65,700,000 including Master Planning, site development, and hurricane hardening. Project development, including professional services, is contingent upon availability of funds. If additional funding is realized, the USF Polytechnic has the option to incorporate additional scope/funding under this contract including completion of shell space. The construction delivery method is anticipated to be Construction Management.

The selected firm should provide planning, design, construction documents, construction administration and post-occupancy services for the project in coordination with the 2005 USF (Polytechnic) Lakeland Campus 10 Year Master Plan and USF standards for design and construction. USF Polytechnic is seeking to secure the services of a consultant team with extensive experience in innovative facility design. All disciplines required for the design of the facility should be provided for this project under the contract with the selected firm, including architecture, engineering, interior design and any specialty consultants. Consultant services for design expertise unique to the innovative needs of a polytechnic