



**ADVERTISEMENT FOR PREQUALIFICATION OF CONTRACTORS
AND FOR BIDS FROM BIDDERS THAT ARE PREQUALIFIED**

***IRONDALE FIRE STATION #3 PROJECT
Bid No. 2025-002***

Sealed bids for the Irondale Fire Station # Project will be received by the City Clerk of the City of Irondale, 101 20th Street South, Irondale, Alabama, 35210 **until 2:00 PM CST on Thursday, February 27, 2025** at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud within Irondale City Hall.

No bids will be accepted or opened after the date and time set forth herein.

The project includes, but is not limited to, the construction of a 1-story, CMU and metal-framed construction with brick & stone veneer, and standing seam metal roof structure, with associated site work and all related work as indicated on the Bid and Construction Documents.

A cashier's check or bid bond payable to the City of Irondale, Alabama, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the total amount bid, but in no event more than \$10,000, must accompany the bidder's proposal. The bid Bond shall bear the same date as set for the receipt of Bids. The Bid Bond shall be signed by an agent authorized to do business in the State of Alabama.

The contractor whose bid is selected must furnish performance and statutory Labor and Material Payment Bonds and insurance in compliance with bid specification requirements at the signing of the Contract.

Drawings and Specifications will be available after January 28, 2025 to Prequalified project General Contractors; and may be examined at the Office of the Architect and AGC Internet Plan Rooms in Birmingham, Alabama.

Bidders may obtain documents from Alabama Graphics for a non-refundable cost equal to the cost of printing (which is approximately \$500.00). Digital copies are available from Alabama Graphics. Other sets for general contractors, and sets for subs and dealers, may be obtained at the same amount. *Partial sets will not be available.*

Notarized Contractor's Qualification Certificates must be submitted to the Architect along with any request to obtain Bid Documents by a General Contractor by **close of business on February 7, 2025**, and shall include the following information required by standard format of Form AIA A305: Company information, including: 1) Statutory license type, limits, type(s) of work and expiration date; 2) Bonding company and capacity; 3) Verification of successful history as a General Contractor with projects of similar size and scope under the name of the firm which will be bidding and contracting for the work, and verifiable successful history of completing these and other projects in a timely manner; and 4) E-Verify: For compliance with the Alabama Immigration Law, Act 2011 – 535. Note that any joint venture arrangements must qualify solely on the strength of the principal firm's prequalification information. **ONE digital** copy of this document shall be submitted to the Architect for review, and a decision regarding the prospective bidder's prequalification will be communicated to them within 5 working days.

Bids must be submitted on proposal forms furnished by the Architect or copies thereof. All bidders bidding in amounts exceeding that established by the State Licensing Board for General Contractors must be licensed under the Provision of Title 34, Chapter 8, Code of Alabama, 1975, as amended, and must show such evidence of license before bidding or bid will not be received or considered by Architect or Owner. The bidder shall show such evidence

by clearly displaying their current license number on the outside of the sealed envelope in which the proposal is delivered; Bidder must also include their current license number on the Proposal Form. Non-resident contractors shall be required to comply with the requirements of Alabama law as set forth in Ala. Code §39-2-14. The Owner will not consider any Bid unless the Bidder produces evidence that they are properly licensed. Neither will the Owner enter into a Contract with a foreign corporation that is not qualified under Alabama law to do business in Alabama. Preference will be given to Alabama contractors pursuant to Ala. Code §39-3-5. Domestic products shall be utilized for the Project if available as required under Ala. Code §39-3-1.

No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids for a period of NINETY (90) days.

A **PRE-BID CONFERENCE** will be held at the same location where bids will be received, at **2:00 PM CST, on Tuesday, February 11, 2025**, for the purpose of reviewing the project and answering Bidder's questions. **Attendance at the Pre-Bid Conference is not required by all prequalified General Contractors**, but is highly recommended.

This project is being bid without sales taxes according to Act 2013-205 (of the Alabama Legislature). However, sales tax for the base bid and all other bid items must be accounted for on the contractor's Bid Proposal Form. ABC Form C-3A indicates how the sales tax shall be accounted for on the bid proposal form and shall be modified by the project architect as appropriate for bid items on each project.

Completion Time: Work shall commence on the earlier of either the date of the owner's written "Notice to Proceed" or the contractor's receipt of the fully executed contract and shall be **"Substantially Complete" within 420 Consecutive Calendar Days thereafter.**

Supervision: Contractor to provide Superintendent(s) to ensure proper supervision for all work.

The Bid/Contract award, if made, will be made to the lowest responsive, responsible Bidder as evidenced by the City's receipt of a completed Bid Proposal Form and other documents that have been submitted in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders and in accordance with stipulations within other sections of the Bid Specifications. To be eligible for consideration, bids must be submitted completed on original proposal forms provided in the bid package. The outside of the sealed envelope must contain the Bid # and Name, along with the Alabama General Contractors License Number. This Invitation-to-Bid, the Bid Specifications, and the Bid Proposal form(s) will comprise the total bid package and should be read very carefully. Bidders must provide all information and signatures on the Bid/Proposal form(s) as requested. Bids may be disqualified for non-compliance or may be deemed as non-responsive if bid documents are not submitted as requested. Once the bid is awarded and the Contract is completed the Contractor must have a current business license or purchase a business license with the City of Irondale prior to work performed and an order to proceed is issued.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bid proposals, to waive any formality in any Bid, and to waive technical errors if, in their judgment, the best interests of the Owner will thereby be promoted.

Owner:

City of Irondale, Alabama
101 20th Street South
Irondale, Alabama 35210

Architect:

Charles Williams & Associates Inc.
3601 8th Ave. So.
Birmingham, Alabama 35222
Phone: (205) 250-0700
Attn: Ross McCain
ross@cwiliams-arch.com

Program Manager:

**Kemp Management Solutions,
LLC.** 3029 2nd Avenue South
Birmingham, Alabama 35233
Phone: (205) 731-7372
Attn: Keltin J. Garrett
kgarrett@KempMS.net

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Leigh Allison
City Clerk
City of Irondale, Alabama

Resolution 2025-R-55

A Resolution accepting the Bid for Construction of Irondale Fire Station #3 and authorizing the Mayor to Execute Documents Related Thereto

WHEREAS, the invitation to bid for the Irondale Fire Station #3 Project was prepared in compliance with the provisions of the Alabama Bid Law; and

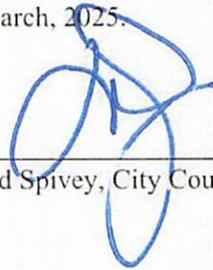
WHEREAS, the City of Irondale publicly opened and read aloud the Project bids that were submitted, as shown in the table below:

COMPANY	BASE BID
Amason & Associates, Inc.	\$8,905,000
Argo Building Company, LLC	\$8,061,925
Coston General Contractors, Inc.	\$8,335,000
Kyser Construction	\$8,445,000
Shelby Company LLC	\$8,728,997

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Irondale, Alabama, in regular meeting duly assembled, a quorum being present as follows:

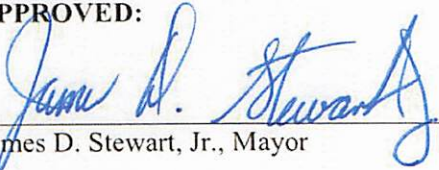
1. The bid for the Irondale Fire Station #3 Project in the total amount of Eight Million Sixty-One Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Five and 00/100 Dollars (\$8,061,925.00) is hereby accepted.
2. Mayor James D. Stewart, Jr., or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute an agreement and any other necessary documents with Argo Building Company, LLC for such amount not to exceed \$8,061,925.00 to effectuate this bid acceptance.

ADOPTED & APPROVED: This 18th day of March, 2025.

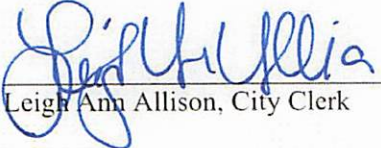


David Spivey, City Council President

APPROVED:

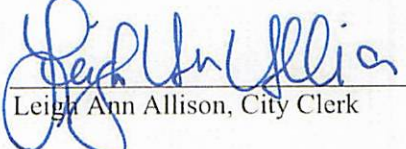

James D. Stewart, Jr., Mayor

ATTESTED:


Leigh Ann Allison, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Leigh Ann Allison, the City Clerk of the City of Irondale, Alabama, hereby certify that the above to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Irondale at its regular meeting held on March 18, 2025, as the same appears in the minutes of record of said meeting.


Leigh Ann Allison, City Clerk



Charles Williams
& Associates, Inc
ARCHITECTS

3601 8TH AVE. SOUTH
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA 35222
PH: 205-250-0700
FAX: 205-250-0515

March 6, 2025

To: Mr. James D. Stewart, Jr.
Mayor, City of Irondale
101 20th Street South
Irondale, Alabama 35210

Re: Irondale Fire Station no. 3
CWA Project No. 2023-01

Mr. Stewart:

In accordance with standard procedures and state law, this letter is to verify the following concerning the above referenced project.

1. There were five (5) responsive bidders (See attached Bid Tabulation Sheet).
2. All bids were in order and conformance with state bid regulations.
The low bidder (Argo Building Company) G.C. number 50523 with a Base Bid of \$8,061,925.00; is a general contractor licensed by the state of Alabama. The project was properly advertised.
3. The proposal of the low bidder was complete and responsive to the invitation and not conditional.
4. The bidder's original proposal forms are enclosed herein.

Based on the above, I am not aware of any reason Argo Building Company should not be designated low bidder and awarded the contract.

Please let me know how you would like me to proceed on this matter.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Charles Williams', written in a cursive style.

Charles Williams, AIA
President - CWA Inc.

BID TABULATION

CITY OF IRONDALE

DATE: February 27, 2025

PROJECT: Irondale Fire Station no. 3

TIME: 2:00 P.M.

CWA NO. 2022-08

BIDDERS	G.C. LICENSE NO.	ENVELOPE NOTATION ADD OR (DEDUCT)	ADDENDA ACKNOWLEDGED (1-6)	BONDING CO.	BASE BID	NET BASE BID
Amason & Associates, Inc.	17752	(\$95,000.00)	Yes	Swiss Re Corporate Solutions America Insurance Corp	\$9,000,000.00	\$8,905,000.00
Argo Building Co.	50523	(\$439,075.00)	Yes	Hartford Fire Insurance	\$8,500,000.00	\$8,061,925.00
Coston	22456	(\$165,000.00)	Yes	Harco National Insurance Company	\$8,500,000.00	\$8,335,000.00
Kyser Construction	42467	(\$565,000.00)	Yes	The Cincinnati Insurance Company	\$9,000,000.00	\$8,445,000.00
Shelby General Contractors	50663	(\$71,003.00)	Yes	Gray Casualty & Surety Company	\$8,800,000.00	\$8,728,997.00

Comment:

I certify that the above bids were received sealed and were publicly opened and read aloud at the time and place indicated and that this is a true and correct tabulation of all bids received for this project.

CERTIFIED BID TABULATION

Ross McCain

Ross McCain, AIA, Project Architect, Charles Williams & Associates, Inc.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 27 day of February, 2025

Henry A. Williams

Expiration 05/09/2025

SEALED BID/PROPOSAL

February 27, 2025 at 2:00 PM CST @ Irondale Public Library
105 20th Street S, Irondale, AL 35210

To:

City of Irondale
101 20th Street South
Irondale, AL 35210

Project: Irondale Fire Station #3
CWA # 2023-01

General Contractor:

Argo Building Company, LLC
4501 7th Avenue
Birmingham, AL 35224

State of Alabama

General Contractors License # 50523

Bid Limit: U

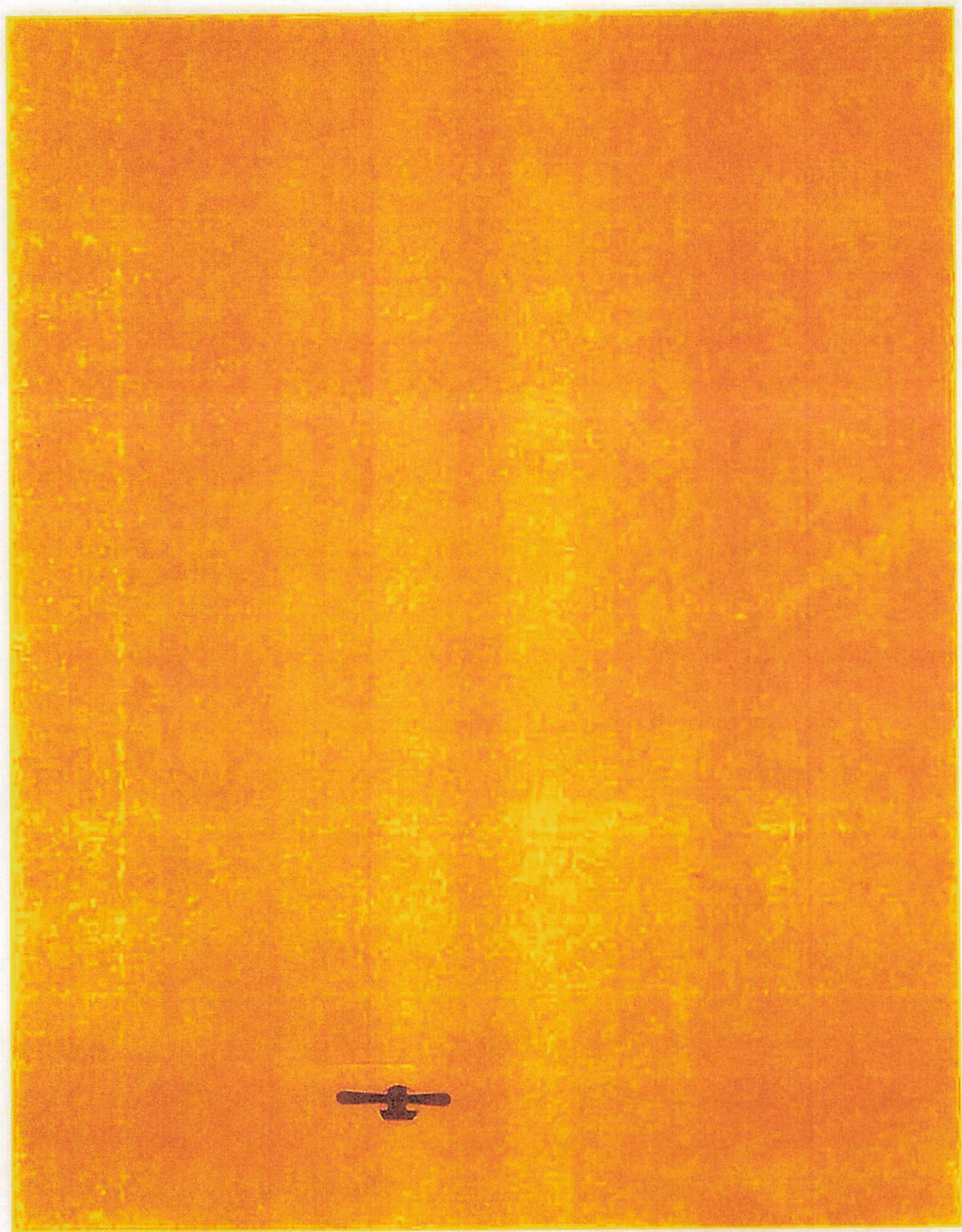
Type: ADM: New Administrative

BC: Building Construction

BASE BID:

ADD: \$ _____

DEDUCT \$ ~~438,075~~ \$ 438,075 *BWL 2-27-25*





4501 Seventh Avenue--Wylam • Birmingham, AL 35224-1964
Phone: (205) 786-0336 • Fax: (205) 786-6808

February 27, 2025

City of Irondale
101 20th Street South
Irondale, AL 35210

Re: Irondale Fire Station #3
CWA # 2023-01
Authorized Bid Opening Representative

To Whom It May Concern:

Mr. Brantley Niven is hereby appointed as our Authorized Representative for the purpose of modifying our bid on the above referenced project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Acton", is written over a large, stylized circular flourish.

Jim Acton
Vice President

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Holly Andrews
Witness

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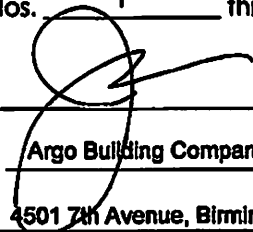
PROPOSAL FORM

TO: City of Irondale
101 20th Street South
Irondale, AL 35210
ATTN: James D Stewart, Jr.

1. The undersigned contractor (herein "Contractor") having carefully examined the Contract Documents, the site of the work, and the conditions affecting the work, hereby proposes and agrees, if this proposal is accepted, to enter into Contract, furnish bonds in the forms specified and to furnish supervision, labor, equipment and materials required for the IRONDALE FIRE STATION #3, for the City of Irondale ("the City"), located at 2101 John Rogers Drive, Birmingham, AL ("the Project").
2. The Contractor agrees to perform the work in accordance with the Contract Documents as prepared for and distributed by the Charles Williams and Associates dated August 30, 2024 for the sum of:
Eight Million Five Hundred Thousand & 00/100 DOLLARS (\$ 8,500,000.00)
(the "Contract Sum").
3. The Contractor further agrees to submit to the Architect within seven business days from the bid date a complete breakdown of all labor, equipment and material to be used in the Project, including those estimated by the subcontractors, showing at a minimum all labor cost and material cost at the divisional level and following the format of the Contractor's pay request. The requirement must be met before any funds will be released to the Contractor by the City.
4. TIME FOR COMPLETION of this project shall be 420 calendar days from the date of Notice to Proceed as may be adjusted per the Contract.
5. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES will be assessed in favor of the City for failure to achieve substantial completion within the allotted time. See Supplemental General Conditions, Section 9.11.2 for a schedule of Liquidated Damages.
6. In submitting this bid, Contractor understands that the City reserves the right to reject all bids and that this bid may not be withdrawn for a period of ninety (90) days from the opening thereof.
7. Contractor further agrees that at the time the City delivers to the Contractor a Contract for execution, the undersigned Contractor will within fifteen (15) days after date of such delivery, execute and deliver to the Architect the signed Contract, the required bonds and proof of insurance in accordance with the Contract Documents.

- 8. Contractor further agrees that if it fails to execute the Contract and present the required Contract bonds and proofs of insurance within fifteen (15) calendar days after being given written notice of award of this Contract, the City may retain from the Contractor's bid guaranty (if it is a cashier's check) or from the surety (if the guaranty is a bid bond), the difference between the amount of the Contract as awarded and the amount of the proposal of the next lowest bidder or the amount of the guaranty, whichever is lesser. If no other bids are received, the full amount of the guaranty may be retained or recovered as liquidated damages for such default. Any sums so retained or recovered shall be the property of the City.
- 9. In submitting this bid, the Contractor certifies that there has been no collusion with any person in respect to this bid or any other bid or the submitting of bids for the Contract for which this bid is submitted.
- 10. The Contractor hereby certifies that in employment of personnel it does not discriminate against any person or persons, on account of race, creed, color, sex, or national origin. The Bidder represents that it has read, understands, and will comply with Instructions to Bidders.
- 11. Bidder acknowledges receipt of the following addenda:

Addenda Nos. 1 through 6 inclusively.

BY:  TITLE: Vice President

COMPANY: Argo Building Company, LLC

ADDRESS: 4501 7th Avenue, Birmingham, AL 35224

MAILING ADDRESS: 4501 7th Avenue, Birmingham, AL 35224

TELEPHONE: 205-786-0336

If Bidder is a Corporation, State: Jim Acton
Name of officer Certified by Board of Directors to execute Contract

Binding Bidder

Alabama
State of Incorporation of Bidder:

If Bidder is a Partnership, State: _____

Full Name of All Partners

For any bid of \$50,000 or more, the bidder MUST attach a photocopy or other evidence of current General Contractor's License No., current bid limit and type(s) of work for which the Contractor is currently licensed.

DATE: February 27, 2025

END OF SECTION

SECTION 00 42 13a

PROPOSAL FORM ATTACHMENT

ACCOUNTING OF SALES TAX

Attachment to Proposal Form-Section 00 42 13

To: City of Irondale

Date: 02/27/2025

Name of Project: Irondale Fire Station #3

SALES TAX ACCOUNTING

Pursuant to Act 2013-205, Section 1 (g) the Contractor accounts for the sales tax NOT included in the bid proposal form as follows:

ESTIMATED SALES TAX AMOUNT

BASE BID: \$ 300,000.00

Failure to provide an accounting of sales tax shall render the bid non-responsive. Other than determining responsiveness, sales tax accounting shall not affect the bid pricing nor be considered in the determination of the lowest responsible and responsive bidder.

Legal Name of Bidder Argo Building Company, LLC

Mailing Address 4501 7th Avenue, Birmingham, AL 35224

*By (Legal Signature)  _____

*Name (type or print) Jim Acton _____

(Seal)

*Title Vice President _____

Telephone Number 205-786-0336 _____

**ATTACHMENT A
TO PROPOSAL FORM**

SUBMITTED BY - GENERAL CONTRACTOR'S FIRM NAME:

Argo Building Company, LLC

1.1 ITEMIZED UNIT PRICE SCHEDULE:

- A. The undersigned proposes the following Unit Prices for additions to or deductions from the Work wherein Unit Prices are applicable as determined by the Architect and Owner. These Unit Prices include all charges for labor and materials, fee, layout, supervision (field and home office), general expenses, taxes, insurance, overhead and profit, for Unit Item of Work installed in place. The Contract sum shall be increased or decreased based upon quantity difference multiplied by the applicable Unit Price, in accordance with the General Conditions.
- B. Refer to Division 1 - "Unit Prices", and to the respective sections of the Specifications for the complete Unit Price Item description.
- C. Submit the following Unit Prices with the Proposal Form on Bid Date.

1.2 GENERAL UNIT PRICES - For construction complete as shown and specified:

#	ITEM DESCRIPTION:	UNIT:*	UNIT PRICE, ADD OR DEDUCT:
1.	Excavate and Haul off Unsuitable Materials	CY	\$ 25.00
2.	Replacement with Crushed Stone	TN	\$ 40.00
3.	Replacement with Offsite Suitable Material	CY	\$ 20.00
4.	Surge Material (ALDOT #1 Stone)	TN	\$ 40.00
5.	Stabilization Fabric	SY	\$ 8.00
6.	Topsoil	CY	\$ 25.00
7.	Rock, Masonry, or Concrete Excavation in Trenches and Pits	CY	\$ 60.00
8.	Rock, Masonry, or Concrete Excavation in Open Excavation	CY	\$ 100.00
9.	Sod	SY	\$ 8.00
10.	Concrete Mud Footings	CY	\$ 350.00
11.	Concrete Sidewalk	SY	\$ 25.00
12.	French Drain	LF	\$ 25.00

- A. The undersigned proposes the following Unit Prices for additions to or deductions from the Work wherein Unit Prices are applicable as determined by the Architect and Owner. These Unit Prices include all charges for labor and materials, fee, layout, supervision (field and home office), general expenses, taxes, insurance, overhead and profit, for Unit Item of Work Installed in place. The Contract sum shall be increased or decreased based upon quantity difference multiplied by the applicable Unit Price, in accordance with the General Conditions.
- B. Refer to Division 1 - "Unit Prices", and to the respective sections of the Specifications for the complete Unit Price Item description.
- C. Submit the following Unit Prices with the Proposal Form on Bid Date.

END OF ATTACHMENT A TO PROPOSAL FORM

(* Legend to "Unit" quantity abbreviations: LF = Per "Linear Foot"
SF = Per "Square Foot"
CY = Per "Cubic Yard"
TN = Per "Ton"

STATE OF ALABAMA

BID LIMIT: U
AMOUNT: UNLIMITED



LICENSE NO.: 50523
TYPE: RENEWAL

State Licensing Board for General Contractors

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

ARGO BUILDING COMPANY LLC

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35224

is hereby licensed a General Contractor in the State of Alabama and is authorized to perform the following type(s) of work:

ADM: NEW ADMINISTRATIVE, BC: BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

until **December 31, 2025** when this Certificate expires.

Witness our hands and seal of the Board, dated Montgomery, Ala.,

213723

17th day of December, 2024

Michael B. Ten

SECRETARY-TREASURER

Charles A. Carter, Jr.

CHAIRMAN