NOTICE TO BIDDERS (LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT)

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by **Borough of Bound Brook** (the "Borough") for the complete construction of **Alterations for SCLSNJ BOUND BROOK LIBRARY BRANCH** (**Block 12** / **Lot 14**) **402 East High Street, Bound Brook, New Jersey 08805**, together with all work incidental thereto in accordance with Drawings and Specifications prepared by Cornerstone Architectural Group, LLC.

Bids will be received by the Borough at 230 Hamilton Street, Bound Brook, New Jersey 08805 until **10:00 A.M. prevailing time on October 6, 205,** and will be opened and read aloud immediately thereafter. Bids must include all applicable unit prices and numbered alternate bids. Bidders must use the prepared Bid Form.

Bids must be delivered by hand or by mail to the Borough Clerk no later than the date and time noted above; however, the Borough disclaims any responsibility for Bids forwarded by regular or overnight mail. All Bids will be date and time stamped upon receipt. Each Bidder is solely responsible for the timely delivery of the Bid and no Bids shall be considered that are presented after the public call for receiving Bids. Any Bid received after the date and time specified will be returned, unopened, to the Bidder. Each Bid must be enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed to the Borough Clerk, marked on the outside with the name and address of the bidder and the name of the contract being bid, and delivered on or before the hour set forth above.

Bids sent by express mail or delivery service must either (1) include designation outlined in the paragraph above on the outside of the express mail or service envelope; or (2) must be in a separate envelope inside the delivery envelope and envelope marked as required by above.

Bids will be received for the following contract:

CONTRACT BID: Includes all work and materials required to complete the project:

Contract No. 1 Single Overall Contract Bid

The Instructions to Bidders, Form of Bid, Specifications, Drawings and other Contract Documents may be examined at the office of the Architects (from 9:00am until 4:00pm, Monday through Friday);

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Digital Contract Documents will be made available at no cost by contacting the Architect at Tamborrino@CornerstoneAG.com or calling the office at 908-753-7004 requesting same.

Printed copies can be provided upon receipt of a \$500.00 per set, non-refundable payment (business checks or money orders only) made payable to the Architect. NO CASH SHALL BE ACCEPTED. Please call prior to picking up said documents if you desire printed copies. Bid documents will <u>not</u> be mailed to prospective bidders under any circumstances.

Bidders shall use complete sets of Contract Documents in preparing Bids. Neither the Borough nor the Architect will assume any responsibility for errors or misinterpretations resulting from the use of incomplete sets of Contract Documents.

Bidding information contained in the Bid should be clear and not subject to qualifications, deletions, erasures, or other marking that create any doubt as to its meaning. Bidders should make sure that Bid is signed by a duly authorized person on behalf of the bidder and that the Bid is responsive. Bidders can determine the responsiveness of their Bid by reading the full "Instructions to Bidders." INSTRUCTIONS MUST BE FOLLOWED EXACTLY OR THE BID MAY BE DECLARED NON-RESPONSIVE.

Bid Timeline Summary:

Event Date/Time

Bid Publication Date September 15, 2025

Pre-Bid Meeting None (ASBESTOS WORK WILL BE UNDERWAY)

Last Day to Submit Questions
Issuance of Addendum (if required)
September 25, 2025
September 29, 2025
October 6, 2025

Award of Bid October 14, 2025 (Council Meeting)

Notice to Proceed October 17, 2025

Asbestos Abatement Completion November 14, 2025 (FOR REFERENCE ONLY)

Building Available to Start Construction
Substantial Completion
Final Completion

November 17, 2025
February 27, 2026
March 27, 2026

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of:

P.L. 2004, c.57, which pertains to the New Jersey Business Registration Requirements. (See Section 19 of the Information to Bidders).

N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1 et seq., pertaining to affirmative action.

P.L.1977, c. 33, which refers to the Statement of Business Ownership

P.L. 1999 C. 238, pertaining to the Public Works Contractor Registration.

Bidder shall submit with the bid a certified check, cashier's check or Bid Bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total price bid, but not in excess of \$20,000, payable unconditionally to the Borough of Bound Brook from a surety company authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey and acceptable to the Borough. The check or bond of the unsuccessful bidder(s) shall be returned in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-24a. The check or bond of the bidder to whom the contract is awarded shall be retained until a contract is executed and the required performance bond or other security is submitted. The check or bond of the successful bidder shall be forfeited if the bidder fails to enter into a contract pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-21. The Bid Bond shall include a valid Power of Attorney authorizing the Attorney-in-Fact to execute the documents. Failure to submit a bid guarantee shall result in rejection of the bid.

Each Bidder shall submit with its bid, a Consent of Surety as per <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 40A:11-22 from a surety company licensed to do business in the State of New Jersey, stating that the surety will provide the successful bidder and its subcontractors with a performance/payment bond in the full amount of the contract.

The Borough reserves the right to waive any informalities in, or to reject, any or all bids in whole or in part, in accordance with applicable law.

Attention of the bidders is called particularly to the requirements of conditions of employment and to the minimum prevailing wage rates to be paid under the contract as stated in the Instructions to Bidders, and the General Conditions of the Contract for Construction.

No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of sixty (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

BY ORDER OF THE

BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK Jasmine D. McCoy, Borough Clerk

(END OF NOTICE TO BIDDERS)