

January 2006

**INVITATION TO BID**

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Auburn, Alabama, until 10:00 a.m., local time, Tuesday, February 28, 2006 in the office of the City Manager, 144 Tichenor Avenue, Auburn, Alabama, and then publicly opened and read for furnishing all labor, equipment, and materials necessary for the complete construction of the following projects:

**CITY OF AUBURN**  
**AUBURN RESEARCH PARK**  
**PHASE 1 – INFRASTRUCTURE PACKAGE**

The following is a list of approximate quantities:

<b>ITEM DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>UNIT</b>	<b>QUANTITY</b>
<b>Clearing and Grubbing</b>	<b>ACRE</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>230 Modified Roadbed (8" Thick)</b>	<b>SY</b>	<b>20,700</b>
<b>825 Crushed Aggregate Base (6" Thick)</b>	<b>SY</b>	<b>20,700</b>
<b>Curb and Gutter (City of Auburn standard)</b>	<b>LF</b>	<b>6,350</b>
<b>429-B Bituminous Binder (2.5" Thick)</b>	<b>SY</b>	<b>20,700</b>
<b>429-A Bituminous Wearing Surface (1.5" Thick)</b>	<b>SY</b>	<b>20,700</b>
<b>5' Sidewalk</b>	<b>SY</b>	<b>2,300</b>
<b>Solid Sodding</b>	<b>SY</b>	<b>7,700</b>
<b>18" Reinforced Concrete Pipe</b>	<b>LF</b>	<b>1,541</b>
<b>Single Wing Inlet</b>	<b>EA</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Bridge</b>	<b>LS</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>12" Ductile Iron Water Main</b>	<b>LF</b>	<b>4,020</b>
<b>8" Ductile Iron Sanitary Sewer Main</b>	<b>LF</b>	<b>2,630</b>
<b>Alabama Power Company Buried Electrical Conduit, 4 Way - 5" PVC, Concrete Encased</b>	<b>LF</b>	<b>3,170</b>

Plans, specifications, and contract documents are open to public inspection, free of charge, in the Development Services Building, 171 North Ross Street, Suite 200, Auburn, Alabama, and the McGraw Hill Plan Rooms in Montgomery, Alabama. Copies may be obtained upon receipt of a refundable deposit of one hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) made payable to Barge Waggoner Sumner & Cannon, Inc. for each set. The deposit will be refunded upon return of complete set of contract documents in reusable condition if within 10 days of the bid opening. Please contact John Smith, PE at (205)298-6074 for information on obtaining these plans.

Guarantee will be required with each bid as follows: At least five percent (not to exceed \$10,000) of the amount bid in the form of a certified or cashier's check or bid bond payable to the City of Auburn, Alabama.

Your attention in particular is invited to the "Information for Bidders", which is to be followed in all respects. The City reserves the right to select the lowest responsible bidder as the best interest of the City may require, award the purchase contract from any of the bids, reject any and all bids, and waive any informality in bids received. Bids will be good for sixty **(60)** days after being opened by the City of Auburn, Alabama.

Bids must be submitted upon the standard forms furnished by the City of Auburn, Alabama. No bids may be withdrawn for a period of sixty **(60)** days after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids. A sealed envelope must be delivered to City Hall or mailed, addressed to:

City Manager, City of Auburn  
144 Tichenor Avenue, Suite 1  
Auburn, Alabama 36830

The envelope must be plainly marked on the outside as follows:

**BID:** **AUBURN RESEARCH PARK, PHASE 1**  
**OPENING:** **FEBRUARY 28, 2006, 10:00 AM**  
**CONTRACTOR NAME:**  
**CONTRACTOR ADDRESS:**  
**STATE OF ALABAMA LICENSE NO. AND DATE OF RENEWAL:**

The contractor shall provide evidence that he has been issued a state license in accordance with Chapter 8, Title 34 of the Code of Alabama 1975 before his bid is considered. Please note that no bid shall be considered unless the State License Number and Date of Renewal are clearly marked on the outside of the bid envelope. The successful low bidder is responsible for acquiring the appropriate business licenses and permits to conduct work with the City of Auburn. Any non-Alabama bidders must submit a written opinion from an attorney stating the amount, if any, of preference granted by law to businesses in his state of residence. The contractor shall provide evidence of a Certificate of Exemption issued by the State Department of Revenue (DOR) and shall provide a copy of the certificate to each vendor from whom the contractor purchases materials.

The award of the contracts, if to be awarded, will be made within sixty **(60)** calendar days after opening of proposals to the lowest responsible bidder whose proposals comply with the requirements of the invitation to bid. Should no award be made within the sixty **(60)** days, all proposals will be rejected unless the successful bidder agrees in writing to a stipulated extension in the time limit for award. The successful bidder will be notified by letter, mailed to the address shown on his proposal, that his bid has been accepted and that he has been awarded the contract.

The City of Auburn believes fully in equal opportunity in the provision of supplies, equipment, construction and services. Positive steps should be taken to assure that small business, minority businesses and women's businesses are given many opportunities to provide the above-mentioned services when economically feasible. In the case of construction projects, the City of Auburn shall rely on individuals or firms seeking to do business with the City of Auburn to ensure that such above-mentioned businesses are given ample opportunity to participate on a sub-contractual basis.

The contractor agrees in all events to use in the project materials, supplies and products manufactured, mined, processed or otherwise produced in the United States or its territories if the same are available at reasonable prices. If the contractor determines that said items are not available at a reasonable price, it must first contact the City of Auburn and obtain approval for the use of other materials, supplies and products.

In the event a contractor violates the provisions of this section, the City may at its election, assess against the contractor liquidated damages in an amount of not less than two hundred dollars (\$200.00) nor more than 20% of the gross amount of the contract, as deemed appropriate by the City.

Please note that the City of Auburn has a mandatory Partial Pay Request form that must be completed and submitted by the contractor before payment is considered. A copy of the required form is included in the "Information for Bidders." Payments are mailed on each Friday of the month. Pay requests must be reviewed and approved by the appropriate City representatives (architect, if applicable, inspector, project manager and department head) and received by accounts payable at least seven (7) days prior to the scheduled mailing date. The City of Auburn will process only one (1) invoice per month for partial payment to the contractor. If you have any questions concerning billing, contact our accounts payable office at 334 501 7237 or 334 501 7238.

The City of Auburn has a Sales and Use Tax Savings Program. In connection with this contract, the City of Auburn intends to enter into an agreement with the contractor to purchase all or a portion of the tangible personal property necessary for the performance of the contract and thereby save the amount of sales tax thereon by virtue of the City's status as a tax exempt entity.

When the bid is submitted, The Contractor will be required to provide certificates of insurance showing that it carries, or has in force, automobile liability insurance, general liability insurance, professional liability insurance and workers' compensation insurance. Limits of liability for automobile liability insurance shall be, at a minimum, \$1,000,000.00 combined single limit. Limits of liability for general liability insurance shall be, at a minimum, \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence, \$1,000,000.00 personal and advertising injury, \$1,000,000.00 general aggregate and \$1,000,000.00 products/completed operations aggregate. General liability insurance will include coverage for contractually assumed liability. Limits of liability for professional liability shall be, at a minimum, \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence or claim and \$1,000,000.00 aggregate. If professional liability coverage is on a claims-made basis, the Contractor will maintain coverage in force for a period of two (2) years following completion of the work specified in the agreement. Workers' compensation insurance shall provide statutory workers' compensation coverage and employers' liability coverage with limits of, at a minimum, \$500,000.00 each accident, \$500,000.00 disease- each employee and \$500,000.00 accident, \$500,000.00 disease - policy limit.

The certificate of insurance shall provide the City with thirty (30) days written notice of cancellation of any of the coverage named in said certificates. Contractor shall comply with and shall indemnify Auburn University and the City of Auburn against any liabilities arising out of the failure to comply with the terms or conditions of any permits and any other applicable codes pertaining to the performance of the work, including all applicable rules or regulations of the Alabama Department of Transportation and the Alabama Department of Environmental Management.

The City of Auburn, Auburn University, and BWSC will be shown as additional insured under the Contractor's general liability policy for the work to be performed. Contractor shall keep the Auburn University's property free of all claims and liens arising out of the performance of the work, and shall indemnify, defend, and hold Auburn University harmless from any liens or claims arising out of the performance of the work. Auburn University shall be indemnified from all claims for personal injury, death or property damage arising out of the Contractor's performance of the work. Auburn University shall be a designated third party beneficiary of the contract of construction entered by the City and Contractor.

The Contractor shall require certificates of insurance from subcontractors. Subcontractors will carry limits of

insurance equal to or greater than those carried by the Contractor. These certificates shall be made available to the City before the Letter of Notice to Proceed being given.

At the City's discretion, the contractor may be required to have in force higher limits than amounts mentioned above and/or broader coverage than normally carried by the Contractor. Questions concerning insurance coverage may be directed to the Risk Manager, D'Arcy Wernette at 334 501.7243.

A pre-bid conference is scheduled for Wednesday, February 15, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. The meeting will be held in the Auburn City Hall Annex Building at 122 Tichenor Avenue. All prospective bidders are strongly encouraged to attend.

FOR SPECIFIC INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS PROJECT, PLEASE CONTACT JOHN SMITH, PE, PROJECT MANAGER, BARGE WAGGONER SUMNER & CANNON, INC. (BWSC) AT 205 298.6074

CITY OF AUBURN, ALABAMA