

SECTION 00020 – INVITATION TO BID

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS NOTICE

**Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport
For
Taxiway H Realignment and Strengthening
FAA AIP Project Number(s): 3-01-0014-131-2025 & 3-01-0014-132-2025**

SEALED BIDS will be received on behalf of the Birmingham Airport Authority (BAA) at the Authority's Administration Office, located on the Airport's lower-level main terminal building, at the Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport, 5900 Messer Airport Highway, Birmingham, Alabama 35212, **until 2:00 p.m. local time on Thursday, April 17th, 2025**. Sealed Bids will be opened and publicly read aloud starting at 2:00 p.m. in Meeting Room B, situated on the Terminal Building's lower level, adjacent to the Birmingham Police Department Substation, near the escalators. The bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and/or container plainly marked on the outside with the name, address, and license number of the bidder; the name of the project (Taxiway H Realignment and Strengthening) and the time and date due (2:00 p.m. local time, Thursday, April 17th, 2025). Submitted Bids are to be addressed to the attention of Mr. Ed Seoane, Vice President of Purchasing, Birmingham Airport Authority, Birmingham, Alabama 35212.

The project consists of three main scopes of work:

- A Base Bid which includes the relocation of a 2,000-foot-long section of Taxiway H, with all associated electrical, grading, and drainage improvements along with new pavement markings and final site restoration;
- A Bid Alternate #1 which includes the milling and asphalt strengthening overlay of the remaining 3,200-feet of Taxiway H, with all associated grading, drainage, and electrical improvements along with new pavement markings and final site restoration;
- A Bid Alternate #2 which includes the replacement of the Taxiway H Edge Lighting system with new LED light fixtures and associated components.

A pre-bid conference will be held on Tuesday, March 25th, 2025, starting at 2:00 p.m. local time at Meeting Room B located at the Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport, 5900 Messer Airport Highway, Birmingham, Alabama 35212. All perspective bidders are strongly encouraged to attend this conference. **The Pre-Bid Conference will be the prospective bidders only opportunity to view the project site prior to the bid opening.** Interested bidders who are unable to attend in-person, may participate virtually by emailing Colin Brinkman, Project Engineer, at Colin.Brinkman@rsandh.com by Friday, March 21st, 2025, to secure a virtual meeting invitation.

Complete electronic sets of bid documents (plans, specifications, and other contract documents) may be purchased from RS&H, Alabama Inc. for \$25.00 per set, available on Monday, March 17, 2025. Partial sets of bid documents will not be issued. The purchase price for the bid documents is not refundable. All documents will be available by electronic file transfer only, in pdf file format. Hard copies will not be distributed. Direct access to the electronic file transfer protocols will be available only to registered email addresses. It is the sole responsibility of each prospective bidder to assure that RS&H Alabama, Inc. is kept informed of his or her current mailing address, email address, telephone number, and fax number. Checks should be made payable to RS&H Alabama, Inc. and may be mailed or delivered as follows:

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Each Bidder is individually responsible for the careful examination of the site of the proposed Work, the Proposal, Plans, General Provisions, Technical and Supplemental Specifications, Contract Forms and all requirements of the project. The failure or omission by any Bidder to do so shall in no way relieve any Bidder from any obligation with respect to its bid.

All bidders bidding in amounts exceeding \$50,000.00 must be licensed under the provisions of Title 34, Chapter 8, Code of Alabama, 1975, as amended.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond, submitted in the form of a guaranty and/or promissory note from a banking, insurance or other lending or financial institutions, equal to five percent (5%) of the bid price and made payable to the Birmingham Airport Authority. No cash, check, or money orders will be accepted. All bidding participants will be required to adhere to the following provisions listed below:

- 1. Buy America Preferences**
- 2. Foreign Trade Restriction**
- 3. Davis Bacon**
- 4. Affirmative Action**
- 5. Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension**
- 6. Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace**

DBE Policy: It is the policy of the Birmingham Airport Authority (Authority) that DBEs as defined in 49 CFR Part 26 will have maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of all Authority projects and the Proposer will take all necessary and reasonable steps to ensure that DBEs have the maximum opportunity to compete for and perform subcontracts. Additional DBE information is contained in the full Invitation to Bid package. The bidder shall make good faith efforts, as defined in Appendix A to 26.45 – Guidance Concerning Good Faith Efforts-49 CFR Part 26, Regulations of the Office of the Secretary of Transportation, to subcontract **27%** of the dollar value of the prime contract to small business concerns owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals (DBE).

SBE Policy: The Birmingham Airport Authority (BAA) is committed to ensuring meaningful opportunities for Small Business Enterprises (SBEs) in airport-related contracts. As part of this commitment, this solicitation includes an SBE participation goal of **3%**. Respondents are encouraged to maximize the use of SBEs in subcontracting and procurement opportunities. For details on SBE eligibility and participation, refer to the Birmingham Airport Authority's DBE Plan (Enclosure K), available at: <https://webadmin.flybirmingham.com/app/uploads/2025/01/BAA-Disadvantaged-Business-Enterprises-Program.pdf>.

The SBE goal is a target, not a strict contract requirement like the DBE program under 49 CFR Part 26. While bidders are strongly encouraged to meet the SBE participation goal, they are not required to submit Good Faith Effort (GFE) documentation if the goal is not met. However, BAA expects respondents to make reasonable efforts to include SBEs where possible.

Additional assistance may be obtained by emailing the Authority's DBE Liaison at eseoane@flybhm.com.

Failure by the Contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach of this contract, which may result in the termination of this contract or such other remedy, as the recipient deems appropriate.

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