Public Notice

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Founded in 1903, Western Michigan University is a student-centered research university located in Kalamazoo, Michigan, with an enrollment in excess of 22,000. WMU is Michigan’s fifth largest higher education institution, attracting a diverse and culturally rich student body from across the United States and almost 100 other countries.

The University is seeking information and qualifications from Architectural/Engineering firms in the United States. WMU plans to pre-qualify interested firms for an upcoming housing project on WMU’s main campus.

Between now and the year 2023, WMU plans to re-vamp the entire southern portion of main campus, including new student housing, a new student center, and several other major building efforts (a Request for Proposal to masterplan this south neighborhood will be forthcoming). The new housing project, located at the former Elmwood Apartments site, will include design and construction of a new structure (or structures) aimed at student recruitment and retention. It will come on line for the 2020-2021 academic year and serve as an anchor for subsequent campus re-development efforts.

To qualify, firms should, at a minimum, have experience with 1) forward-looking student housing design; 2) higher education projects; and 3) projects incorporating sustainable design principles.

The Qualifications questionnaire and instructions for submission may be obtained from Wendy Vander Meulen, Director of Logistical Services, at: wendy.vandermeulen@wmich.edu. Questionnaires must be received no later than December 20, 2017 to be considered. Phone contact: (269) 387-8800.