

**SECTION 001113
ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

FROM

1.01 STEELE COUNTY COMMISSION (HEREAFTER REFERRED TO AS OWNER)

- A. 201 Washington Ave W, Finley, ND 58230
- B. Steele County Commission
- C. Ben Gates, Steele County Emergency Manager
- D. Finley, North Dakota 58230
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1.02 DATE: AUGUST 21, 2026

1.03 TO: POTENTIAL BIDDERS

A. Your firm is invited to submit single-prime, lump-sum bids offer under seal to the Steele County Commission for Improvements to the existing County Courthouse located at 201 Washington Ave W, Finley, ND 58230 before 9:00 am CST, Tuesday, September 15, 2026 for the following project.

B. Project: Steele County Courthouse Improvements

C. Bids will be received at the Steele County Courthouse where they will be publicly opened and read aloud.

D. Documents may be obtained by Prime Bidders. Others may view the Bid Documents at the regional Builder's Exchanges listed below.

E. Each bid must be accompanied by a separate envelope containing a copy of the contractor's license and bidder's bond in a sum equal to 5 percent of the full amount of the bid, executed by the bidder as principal and by a surety, conditioned that if the Principal's bid is accepted and the contract awarded to the principal, the principal, within ten days after notice of award, shall execute a contract in accordance with the terms of the bid and a contractor's bond as required by law and the regulations and determinations of the Owner.

F. The Bidder must be licensed for the full amount of the Bid. No Bid may be read or considered if it does not fully comply with these requirements; any deficient Bid submitted shall be resealed and returned to the Bidder immediately.

G. Documents may be obtained ONLY by prime contract bidders. Others may view the Bid Documents at the office of the Architect and at regional Builder's Exchanges:

- 1. Bartlett & West, 3456 E. Century Ave, Bismarck, ND 58503
- 2. Minneapolis Builders Exchange, 1123 Glenwood Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55405
- 3. Construction Industry Center, 2771 Plant Street, Rapid City, SD 57702
- 4. ConstructConnect, 28 N Clark St Ste 450, Chicago, IL 60602
- 5. Bismarck - Mandan Builders Exchange, 805 Adobe Trail SE, Mandan, ND 58554
- 6. Construction Plans Exchange, 215 Airport Rd, Bismarck, ND 58504
- 7. Minot Builders Exchange, PO Box 605, 2424 E Burdick Expressway, Minot, ND 58701
- 8. Dickinson Builders Exchange, 314 3 Avenue West, Dickinson, ND 58601
- 9. Fargo Builders Exchange, PO Box 10076, 1010 Page Drive, Fargo, ND 58106.

H. Digital copies of the bid documents are available at www.bartlettwest.com. Please direct any questions concerning the project drawings and project manual to the attention of Katie Vasbinder, Project Architect at Bartlett & West (katie.vasbinder@bartwest.com).

1. Optional paper copies may be obtained from Bartlett & West upon receipt of a nonrefundable deposit of \$100.00. Please make checks payable to: Bartlett & West. Copies of the project drawings and project manual are not returnable.

2. All information contained in the bidding documents is copyrighted material and shall not be copied, supplied, modified, adapted, or otherwise displayed to any third party. Paper copies of the project drawings and project manual are on file and open for public inspection at the office from which they may be obtained.

3. Matterport Links are available upon request.

I. Submit your offer on the Bid Form provided. Bidders may supplement this form as appropriate.

J. Your offer will be required to be submitted under a condition of irrevocability for a period of 60 days after submission.

K. The Owner reserves the right to accept or reject any or all offers.

L. Final completion of the project (Base Bid) must be completed not later than December 15th, 2027.

M. All bids will be made on the basis of cash payment for such work. After bid opening the Owner will return the bid security of all except the three lowest responsible Bidders. When the Contract is awarded, the remaining unsuccessful Bidder's Bonds will be returned. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids or portions thereof, and further reserves the right to award the Contract in the best interest of the Owner. The Owner reserves the right to hold the three low bids for a period of sixty (60) days after the date of the Bid Opening to complete financial arrangements.

N. Bidder's will be required to submit a valid email address for use in distributing bid document addenda and other communication during the bidding phase of the project.

1.04 SIGNATURE

- A. For: Steele County Commission.
- B. By: Ben Gates, Steele County Emergency Manager.
- C. August 21, 2026.