

**SECTION 00 00 20**  
**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS NORTH IOWA AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE**  
**UTILITY PROJECT, MASON CITY, IOWA**

Public notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the North Iowa Area Community College at the Administrative Office of Mr. Joel Pedersen, Administration Building, North Iowa Area Community College, 500 College Drive, Mason City, Iowa until **2:00 P.M. April 9, 2026**, for furnishing materials and labor for "**North Iowa Area Community College: Utility Project.**" Proposals shall be directed to the Administrative Building Board Room at 500 College Drive. Proposals will be publicly opened by the North Iowa Area Community College, at the Administrative Board room at 2:00 p.m. time and place.

On **April 16, 2026, at 6:00 pm** in the Administrative Building Board room at 500 College Drive., Mason City, Iowa, 50401 a public hearing will be held on the proposed plans, specifications and proposed form of Contract for the "North Iowa Area Community College: Utility Project", Mason City, Iowa", and at said hearing, any interested person may appear and file objections thereto or to the cost of said improvement.

Proposals will be acted upon by the North Iowa Area Community College Board of Directors immediately following the closing of the public hearing at the regularly scheduled board meeting on April 16, 2026, in the Administrative Board Room at 500 College Drive., Mason City, Iowa, 50401, or at such later time and place as may then be fixed.

There will be a Pre-bid project site walk-through, required for prospective Bidders, to familiarize qualified bidders with the project area and scope. Bidder shall meet at the Administration building board room at **10:00 a.m., March 24 2026**, for a project review and tour of the project area.

The method of construction shall be by Single Stipulated Sum Contract, and all work is to be done in strict compliance with the plans and specifications prepared by Bergland & Cram Architects (and Consultants) Mason City, Iowa, which have heretofore been approved by the Board of Directors and are now on file for public examination in their office and in the office of the Office of Secretary of the Board, Room 101J Administration Building North Iowa Area Community College.

Bidders may obtain bidding documents from the designated Reprographic publisher – Beeline + Blue. Ph – 515/244-1611 for a plan deposit of \$100.00 per set. Deposit will be refunded to bidders upon return of their complete set(s) of Bidding Documents, including any Addenda, properly bound and in good condition to Bergland + Cram Architects within 15 calendar days after opening of bids. Cash deposits will not be accepted. MBI plan deposit cards are also an acceptable method for deposit for documents. When shipping / postage is required, there may be a fee for each set of Bid Documents shipped. Checks for shipping / postage shall be made payable to Beeline and Blue.

Each bid must be made out on a proposal blank furnished by the Bergland & Cram Architects, Mason City, Iowa and obtained at the office of the Architect.

Each proposal shall be sealed in an envelope marked "**North Iowa Area Community College: Utility Project**". Each bid must be accompanied in a separate envelope by a bidding check, bid bond or a certified share draft in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the bid price, said check being either a cashier's check, a check certified by a bank in Iowa or a bank chartered under the laws of the United States or a certified share draft on a credit union in Iowa or chartered under the laws of the United States, and made payable to North Iowa Area Community College as security that the bidder will furnish the required bonds and enter into a contract and furnish bonds within seven (7) days after the award of the contract to him.

The Contractor and all Subcontractors shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex, national origin or age. The Contractor shall take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, religion, color, sex, national origin or age. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following; employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the policies of non-discrimination.

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The Contractor and all Subcontractors shall, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by them or on their behalf, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, religion, color, sex, national origin or age.

Bidders shall not be permitted to withdraw their bids for a period of thirty (30) days after the same are opened.

By virtue of statutory authority, preference will be given to products of and provisions grown within the State of Iowa and to Iowa domestic labor.

Pursuant to Chapter 73 of the Code of Iowa, out-of-state bidders are hereby advised of the Iowa Bidding Preference Law extending to Iowa firms any preference which may be (a) strict preference, (b) reciprocal preference, or (c) combination preference and reciprocal. Application of such preference will be extended from any "public improvement" as defined in Chapter 23.1 of the Code of Iowa.

The required surety bond shall be executed on AIA Document A312, two-part Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond, conditioned for the faithful performance of all the terms of the Contract and the payment of all obligations arising thereunder with the amount shown on each part equal to the Contract Sum. Surety shall be a company licensed to do business in the State of Iowa and shall be acceptable to the Board of Directors.

Payment for said "**North Iowa Area Community College: Utility Project.**" will be made from the North Iowa Area Community College Building Fund or from such other funds as may be legally used for such purposes. Monthly estimates will be approved by the Architect and payment will be made by the Owner to the Contractor in the amount of ninety-seven percent (97%) of said estimate on or about the tenth of the following month. Final payment will be made not sooner than thirty (30) days following final acceptance of the work by the Board of Trustees, North Iowa Area Community College.

The bidder's attention is called to the prompt payment to subcontractors under Chapter 573.12 of the Code of Iowa. Bidders shall also note there is a sales tax exemption certificate available on this project per Iowa Law HF2622.

There is a sales tax exemption on this project (HF2622). The letting authority (Owner) will issue tax exemption certificates and authorization letters to all contractors and sub-contractors awarded this project.

Plans governing the proposed improvements have been prepared by Bergland & Cram Architects, of Mason City, Iowa, which plans and specifications, and also prior proceedings of the North Iowa Area Community College Board of Trustees referring to and defining said proposed improvements are hereby made a part of this notice and the proposed contract by reference, and the proposed contract shall be executed in compliance therewith.

Copies of said plans are now on file in the office of the Secretary of the Board Room 101J, Administration Building North Iowa Area Community College, Mason City, Iowa, and the Architect's office for examination by bidders. Printed copies may be obtained from Bergland & Cram Architects, Mason City, Iowa for a refundable charge of \$100.00 per set.

The North Iowa Area Community College Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive technicalities and irregularities.

Published upon order of the Board of Trustees of the North Iowa Area Community College, Mason City, Iowa.

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