

SECTION 00100 - NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Reconstruct Runway 01/19 (5,701 ft. by 100 ft.) and Portions of Associated Taxiways and Runway 13/31 (within Runway 01/19 Safety Area)
Ames Municipal Airport
Ames, Iowa

Receipt and Opening of Sealed Proposals. Sealed proposals for the work comprising the repair and improvement as stated below must be filed before 2:00 P.M. local time on June 30, 2026, in the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 515 Clark Avenue, Ames, Iowa, 50010. Sealed proposals will be opened and publicly read with bids being tabulated at that time or thereafter. The results will be reported to the City of Ames at its council meeting at 6:00 P.M. local time on July 14, 2026, at which time the City Council may take action on the proposals submitted or at such time as may then be fixed.

Time and Place Sealed Proposals Will be Opened and Considered. Sealed proposals will be opened and proposals tabulated at 2:00 P.M. local time on June 30, 2026, at City Hall by the City of Ames Purchasing Staff, in Conference Room 235, 515 Clark Avenue, Ames, Iowa, 50010 for consideration by the City of Ames at its council meeting 6:00 P.M. local time on July 14, 2026, City Hall, 515 Clark Avenue, Ames, Iowa 50010. The City of Ames reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities or technicalities in any bid, and to enter into such contract, or contracts, as it shall deem to be in the best interest of the City of Ames.

Time for Commencement and Completion of Work. Work on the improvement shall commence upon approval of the contract by the City Council and as stated in the appropriate Notice to Proceed.

Specific items in Phase 1 must be constructed in the Fall of 2026 with overall less impact on airport operations, except for a closure of a section of Taxiway A, but are considered preparatory work ahead of the initial construction. These specific items include the storm sewer (Intake 1 to Intake 10 & Intake 4 to Intake 6); ditch grading improvements along and West of Taxiway A; graded diversion swale leading to the detention basin West of Taxiway A; and access improvements at the Northeast field entrance to the airport off Airport Road. These improvements are critical to be completed and ready for use prior to winter shutdown in Calendar Year 2026. If restoration efforts cannot be completed and stabilized before the end of the calendar year 2026 the CONTRACTOR must provide temporary erosion control measures and rework of eroded areas until the work is established. This work is intended to cut off the flow of water from upstream from off airport runoff and divert it to the detention basin and to pick up lower design storm water events that occur on airport property that drain towards the project improvements so they will have less of an impact on the construction improvements and to prepare a access into the airport from the northeast corner of the property. Due to receiving a discretionary grant for Federal Fiscal Year 2026 (Division A work), this work in 2026 is contingent upon the grant being signed prior to a notice to proceed to begin this specific work. It is anticipated that the FY26 grant will have been received and executed by all parties on or before September 15, 2026, but is subject to actual grant receipt timing from FAA. Timing of work that impacts entrance to farm fields or farm fields shall be coordinated to limit impacts to farming operations where possible.

Due to receiving a discretionary grant for Federal Fiscal Year 2027 (Division B work), work for all phases, except for 2026 preparatory work, is contingent upon the grant being signed prior to a notice to proceed to begin this specific work, this includes all work for Division B. It is anticipated that the FY 27 grant will have been received and executed by all parties on or before April 1, 2027, but is subject to actual grant receipt timing from FAA.

Phase 1 Improvements shall be substantially completed by no later than October 15, 2027. Work must not start the improvements until on or after April 6, 2027. The CONTRACTOR may be able to start a few days earlier if the Iowa State basketball teams are done in the NCAA basketball tournament prior to the start date. It must be mutually agreed to by all parties including the FBO. Once work starts on Phase 1 it shall be actively constructed until completed. Phase 2 substantial completion shall be defined as having Runway 01/19 able to reopen for aircraft operations with pavement markings, Runway 01/19 edge lights, PAPIs, REIL, end fire glide slope, MALSR, and localizer. Taxiway Lights on connectors within the Runway 01/19 ROFZ shall be completed to the ROFZ but will not be connected to the lighting circuit until a later date. If conditions do not allow for seeding to occur in the fall of calendar year 2027 after completion of Phase 1 improvements, temporary mulching shall be completed until seeding can occur under suitable weather conditions, potentially in the spring of 2028. Additionally, if colder weather doesn't allow for completion of pavement markings meeting the pavement temperatures, temporary pavement markings may be provided as part of this phase to allow for reopening of Runway 01/19. Temporary pavement marking shall be removed and replaced in calendar year 2028. If temporary pavement markings are properly adhered, they shall be able to re-painted when favorable conditions are present.

Once Runway 01/19 is returned to aircraft operations it shall contain no drop offs/ruts not greater than 3 inches. The CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for restoring rills and erosion that occur, causing safety concerns within 24 hours of notification until seeding has been established in accordance with the contract documents.

Phase 2 shall be substantially completed within seventy-five (75) calendar days. Phase 2 shall be completed concurrently with Phase 1 improvements. Phase 2 work shall be actively constructed once it is started. Phase 2 improvements shall be completed by no later than August 27, 2027, to allow Runway 13/31 to be open and ready for use for scheduled home football games. Phase 2 substantial completion shall be defined as having as having the intersection area completed so that Runway 13/31 can be returned to service (Runway 01/19 and Runway 13/31 within the Runway 13/31 ROFZ) including pavement, grooving, joint sealant, pavement markings on Runway 01/19 within Runway 13/31 ROFZ, Pavement Markings on Runway 13/31 removed and repainted as part of Phase 2 improvements, Runway 13/31 edge lights circuit ready for use, Runway 01/19 lights installed past Runway 13/31 ROFZ but not ready for use until a future date, guidance signage installed within the intersection area within the Runway 13/31 ROFZ, Removal of Runway End 31 VASI, final grading with the Phase 2 area with no drop offs/ruts not greater than 3 inches and be ready to be seeded. Runway 13/31 edge lights must be ready for use regardless of the guidance signs or other edge lighting in the intersection area. If needed jumper wires should be installed to complete the Runway 13/31 circuit to allow for edge lighting to be operational. The CONTRACTOR shall be responsible for restoring rills and erosion that occur, causing safety concerns within 24 hours of notification until seeding has been established in accordance with the contract documents.

For Phase 2, if seeding, grooving Runway 01/19 within the phase limits, pavement markings on Runway 01/19 within Runway 13/31 ROFZ, Runway 01/19 edge lighting, guidance signs in the intersection area cannot be completed within runway intersection area cannot be completed during the closure listed above, it shall be permissible to allow the CONTRACTOR to close the airport for up to twelve (12) separate single duration night closure that occurs starting at 5:00 p.m. and the airport would remain closed to 6:30 am the following morning. Barricades and closure "X's" would not be allowed to be placed for the closure prior to 5:00 p.m. and must be picked up by no later than 6:30 a.m. This closure for seeding for this select area requires the CONTRACTOR to provide a minimum of 5 calendar days' notice to allow for issuance of a NOTAM by the airport manager or FBO to let the airport manager inform the tenants of the construction schedule. This specific work in the area noted, done after hours will not be counted towards the contract time allowed. Closures must be coordinated with the FBO and the airport manager and must not conflict with home football events, scheduled flights, other operational needs or other planned airport events designated by the airport manager or FBO.

After completion of Phase 2 improvements, regardless of the construction operation needed, including seeding if remaining in Runway 01/19 ROFZ, only a single runway will be allowed to be closed to complete the operations. I.E., if work is occurring on Phase 3 improvements, Runway 01/19 must be open to aircraft operations or vice versa if work related to seeding along Runway 01/19 is being completed, Runway 13/31 must be open to aircraft operations.

Contractor is responsible for providing all barricades and setting up the traffic control as required for proper closure to match the construction operations. Contractor provides a minimum of 5 calendar days' notice for Runway 13/31 and a minimum of 10 calendar days' notice for Runway 01/19 to allow for issuance of a NOTAM by the airport manager or FBO to let the airport manager inform the tenants of the construction schedule. Closure of Runway 01/19 must not conflict with previously scheduled Iowa State Athletic Aircraft operations or previously scheduled visiting athletic aircraft operations, scheduled flights, other operational needs or other planned airport events designated by the airport manager or FBO. Iowa State and visiting athletic aircraft operations utilize only Runway 01/19 at the Ames Municipal Airport.

Once the Phase 2 improvements are completed the contractor shall not be allowed to re-enter the area defined as a box lying between Runway 01/19 ROFZ and Runway 13/31 ROFZ, unless there is erosion, drop-offs or rills that need addressed or a coordinated night closure. Those must be addressed within 24 hours notification.

Phase 3 Improvements shall be substantially completed by no later than May 19, 2028. Substantial completion shall be defined as having Runway 13/31 able to reopen for aircraft operations in conjunction with Parallel Taxiway A along with its connector taxiways and Parallel Taxiway B along with its connector taxiways with pavement markings, edge lights, PAPIs, and guidance signs. The contractor shall be responsible for restoring rills and erosion that occur, causing safety concerns within 24 hours of notification until seeding has established per the contract documents.

Any remaining seeding work, not able to be accomplished as part of Phase 1, 2 or 3, must be completed not later than June 5, 2028.

After completion of Phase 3 work, if temporary markings applied during Phase 1 were completed and are still acceptable for use after winter, they be removed/repainted following completion of Phase 3. If temporary pavement markings are not acceptable in the Spring of calendar year 2028 following winter snow removal operations, they shall be repainted as soon as weather allows in calendar year 2028. Remarketing of pavement markings to install the final pavement markings shall be completed by no later than July 1, 2028. Repainting markings shall be completed by allowing the contractor to close the airport for multiple single night closures that occur starting at 5:00 p.m. and the airport would remain closed to 6:30 am the following morning. Barricades and closure "X's" would not be allowed to be placed for the closure prior to 5:00 p.m. and must be picked up by no later than 6:30 a.m. This closure for pavement re-marketing of Phase 1 pavement markings requires the contractor to provide a minimum of 5 calendar days' notice to allow for issuance of a NOTAM by the airport manager and to let the airport manager inform the tenants of the construction schedule.

Punch list work shall be accomplished during an existing closure of that runway as directed by the ENGINEER, unless it is a rill, drop off or erosion causing a drop off of more than 3 inches then it shall be corrected immediately. Any punch list items that still occur after June 2028 shall be completed by closing a single runway, taxiway or connector at a time as required to complete the punch list items that remain. If it makes sense, multiple connector taxiways and sections of parallel taxiways may be closed together, so long as the airport is allowed to remain open.

Due to the need to close and reopen the runway intersection area prior to the Iowa State Football season and to reopen the Runway 01/19, the OWNER requests that a detailed schedule be provided to coordinate the construction time frame and dates for the project. An initial detailed schedule shall be provided within sixty (60) days following award by OWNER, subject to receipt of FAA funding. As the project commences toward starting work involving runway closures in the Spring of 2027, the Contractor shall provide monthly schedule updates starting in calendar year 2027 and bi-weekly once work commences on Phase 1 improvements. Once started bi-weekly shall be submitted throughout calendar 2027 until construction is completed for 2027 construction season. Leading up to Phase 3 work in calendar year 2028, the contractor shall submit monthly schedules, once work begins in calendar year 2028 and closes Runway 13/31 to complete Phase 3 improvements, bi-weekly schedules shall be submitted.

Liquidated damages as set forth in Section 00500 – Contract.

Pre-Bid Meeting. A pre-bid meeting will be held at **1:00 PM local time on June 17th, 2026, in the terminal building conference room at the Ames Municipal Airport** in Ames, Iowa. Attendance of the pre-bid meeting is not mandatory; however, attendance of the pre-bid meeting is recommended.

Bid Security. Each bidder shall accompany its bid with bid security, as defined in Iowa Code Section 26.8, as security that the successful bidder will enter into a contract for the work bid upon. The bidder's security shall be in an amount equal to 5% percent of the total amount of the bid. The bid shall contain no condition except as provided in the specifications.

If the bidder fails to execute the contract and to furnish an acceptable performance and payment bond or provide a Certificate of Insurance within ten (10) days after acceptance of the bid by the City of Ames, the bid security may be forfeited or cashed by the City of Ames as liquidated damages.

Contract Documents. Copies of the project documents are available for a price of \$25 per set. This fee is refundable, provided the plans and specifications are returned complete and in good usable condition, and they are returned within fourteen (14) calendar days after the award of the project. Please contact Bolton & Menk, Inc at cedarrapids@bolton-menk.com, 401 1st Street SE, Suite 201, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52401 or (319) 362-3219 to obtain a hard set of project documents. Complete digital project bidding documents are available at www.bolton-menk.com or www.questcdn.com. You may view the digital plan documents for free by entering **Quest project # 10177662** on the website's Project Search page. Documents may be downloaded for \$0.00. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, viewing, downloading, and working with this digital project information.

Preference of Products and Labor. By virtue of statutory authority, further preference will be given to products and provisions grown and coal produced within the State of Iowa, and to Iowa domestic labor, to the extent lawfully required under Iowa statutes. **Failure to submit a fully completed Bidder Status Form with the bid may result in the bid being deemed nonresponsive and rejected.**

Sales Tax Exemption Certificates. The bidder shall not include sales tax in the bid. The City of Ames will distribute tax exemption certificates and authorization letters to the Contractor and all subcontractors who are identified. The Contractor and subcontractor may make copies of the tax exemption certificates and provide a copy to each supplier providing construction materials. These tax exemption certificates and authorization letters are applicable only for this specific project under the Contract.

Award of Contract. All proposals submitted in accordance with the instructions presented herein will be subject to evaluation. Bids may be held by the City of Ames for a period not to exceed **Ninety (90) days or September 1, 2026, whichever is later**, from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of conducting the bid evaluation.

The OWNER will base the award of contract upon the lowest aggregate sum proposal submitted from those bidders the OWNER confirms as being responsive and responsible. The right is reserved, as the City of Ames may require, to reject any and all bids and to waive any informality in the bids received.

Prospective Bidders are hereby advised that award of contract is contingent upon the OWNER receiving Federal funding assistance under the Airport Improvement Program.

Federal Provisions (Applies to All Divisions of Work)

This project is subject to the following Federal provisions, statutes, and regulations:

Equal Employment Opportunity - 41 CFR Part 60: The successful Bidder shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities – 41 CFR Part 60: A certification of Non-segregated Facilities must be submitted prior to the award of a federally-assisted construction contract exceeding \$10,000 which is not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Opportunity Clause.

Contractors receiving federally assisted construction contract awards exceeding \$10,000, which are not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Opportunity Clause will be required to provide for the forwarding of the notice to prospective subcontractors for supplies and construction contracts where the subcontracts exceed \$10,000 and are not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Opportunity Clause. The penalty for making false statements in offers is prescribed in 18 U.S.C. 1001.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise – 49 CFR Part 26: The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 49 CFR Part 26 in the award and administration of this DOT-assisted contracts. In accordance with 49 CFR Part 26.45, the sponsor has established a **contract goal of 0.0%** participation for small business concerns owned and controlled by certified socially and economically **Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE)**. The bidder shall make and document good faith efforts, as defined in Appendix A of 49 CFR Part 26, to meet this established goal.

Davis-Bacon Act, as amended – 29 CFR Part 5: The Contractor is required to comply with wage and labor provisions and to pay minimum wages in accordance with the current schedule of wage rates established by the United States Department of Labor.

Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion – 49 CFR Part 29: The bidder certifies, by submission of a proposal or acceptance of a contract, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency. Individuals or companies listed in the General Services Administration’s “Excluded Parties Listing System” will not be considered for award of contract.

Foreign Trade Restriction – 49 CFR Part 30

The Bidder and Bidder’s subcontractors, by submission of an offer and/or execution of a contract, is required to certify that it:

- a. Is not owned or controlled by one or more citizens of a foreign country included in the list of countries that discriminate against U.S. firms published by the Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR).
- b. Has not knowingly entered into any contract or subcontract for this project with a person that is a citizen or national of a foreign country on said list or is owned or controlled directly or indirectly by one or more citizens or nationals of a foreign country on said list.
- c. Has not procured any product nor subcontracted for the supply of any product for use on the project that is produced in a foreign country on said list.

Buy American Certificate – Aviation Safety and Capacity Act of 1990:

This contract is subject to the “Buy American Preferences” of the Aviation Safety and Capacity Act of 1990. Per Title 49 U.S.C. Section 50101, all steel and manufactured products installed under an AIP assisted project must be produce in the United States unless the Federal Aviation Administration has granted a formal waiver.

As a condition of bid responsiveness, Bidders must complete and submit as part of their proposal the enclosed Buy American certification. The bidder must indicate whether it intends to meet Buy American preferences by only installing steel and manufactured products produced with the United State of America; or if it intends to seek a permissible waiver to the Buy American requirements.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: PCC Paving, Grading, Electrical and Drainage Improvements

This Notice is given by the authority of the City of Ames

Renee Hall
City Clerk