

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.2. Lakeshore Campus Urban Farm Center Steel and Miscellaneous Metals

Lead Staff: Kevin Appleton, Vice President of Business Services and Finance

Funding Source: FY24 surplus and Foundation

Funding Request: \$911,483.00

Bids

Amount

See list below

| STEEL & MISCELLANEOUS METALS | BEP % | BASE BID |
|--------------------------------------------------|--------|-----------|
| K&K Iron Works, LLC McCook, IL | 38.20% | \$911,483 |
| T.A. Bowman Constructors LLC Bloomingdale, IL | 0.00% | \$854,000 |
| Waukegan Steel, LLC Waukegan, IL | 25.80% | \$992,000 |

Explanation of Purchase: This purchase is for the steel and miscellaneous metals package for the construction of the Lakeshore Campus Urban Farm Center, which was publicly bid on January 31, 2025.

Per 30 ILCS 575/4, "All State contract solicitations that include Business Enterprise Program participation goals shall require bidders or offerors to include utilization plans. Utilization plans are due at the time of bid or offer submission. Failure to complete and include a utilization plan, including documentation demonstrating good faith efforts when requesting a waiver, shall render the bid or offer non-responsive."

Due to failure to provide adequate Business Enterprise Program (BEP) documentation, one vendor was deemed nonresponsive per statute. The lowest responsible responsive vendor was chosen.

Recommendation: Approve a contract with K&K Iron Works LLC of McCook, IL in a not-to-exceed amount of \$911,483.00.