

It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in duplicate are invited for **Contract No. SS N504—Construction of Activity Centre in Kowloon Park (Programme No. 77RE)**.

The works include construction of an activity centre in Kowloon Park, together with historic preservation of the existing 2-storey former Whitfield Barrack, associated building services installations, drainage, external works and road improvement works. The construction floor area is approximately 2 870 square metres and the site area is approximately 6 090 square metres. The contract is scheduled to commence in July 2024 and for completion in July 2026.

Tenders must be clearly marked with the tender reference and the subject of the tender on the outside of the envelope (but should not bear any indication which may relate the tender to the tenderer), addressed to the Chairman, Central Tender Board, and placed in the Government Secretariat Tender Box situated in the lobby of the Public Entrance on the Ground Floor, East Wing, Central Government Offices, 2 Tim Mei Avenue, Tamar, Hong Kong before 12.00 noon on Friday, 9 February 2024. Tenders must be deposited in the tender box as specified in this tender notice ('Specified Tender Box') before the tender closing time. Late tenders or tenders not deposited in the Specified Tender Box will not be accepted.

If tropical cyclone warning signal No. 8 or above is hoisted, or a black rainstorm warning signal or 'extreme conditions after super typhoons' announced by the Government is/are in force at any time between 9.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon on Friday, 9 February 2024, the tender closing time will be postponed to 12.00 noon on the first working day after the tropical cyclone warning signal No. 8 is lowered, or the black rainstorm warning signal or the 'extreme conditions after super typhoons' announced by the Government has/have ceased to be in force. In case of blockage of the public access to the location of the Specified Tender Box at any time between 9.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon on Friday, 9 February 2024, the Government will announce extension of the tender closing time until further notice. Following removal of the blockage, the Government will announce the extended tender closing time as soon as practicable. The above announcements will be made *via* press releases on the website of Information Services Department (<http://www.info.gov.hk/gia/general/today.htm>).

Forms of tenders and further particulars are obtainable from the Quantity Surveying Branch, Architectural Services Department, 33/F, Queensway Government Offices, 66 Queensway, Hong Kong.

For enquiry, please contact Mr. M. L. TANG, Project Quantity Surveyor (Telephone No.: (852) 2867 4107; Fax No.: (852) 2596 0356; Email Address: tangml@archsd.gov.hk).

Selective tendering is adopted. Contractors on the List of Approved Contractors for Public Works in Groups B or C for Buildings Category or joint ventures with participation of local and/or overseas contractors with the lead participant or the major shareholder being on the above-mentioned approved list/category/group who also meet the following qualifications and other conditions for participation stipulated in the tender documents are invited to tender:—

- (1) The tenderer or in case of joint venture tenderer, the lead participant/major shareholder in a joint venture tenderer is a contractor on the List of Approved Contractors for Public Works in Groups B or C for Buildings Category as at the original date set for the close of tender or, if this has been extended, the extended date; and
- (2) The tenderer must have completed at least one building contract, in or outside Hong Kong with an adjusted original contract sum not less than HK\$110 million within the past 5 years counting from and including the original date set for the close of tender (i.e. between 10 February 2019 and 9 February 2024). Only such contracts with substantial completion date falling within the above stated period will be considered.

The detailed requirements on the tenderer's qualifications and those for joint ventures with participation of local and/or overseas contractors, if applicable, are stipulated in the tender documents.

Contractors not yet on the above-mentioned approved list/category/group may also submit a tender if they submit a request for participation together with a duly completed application for inclusion in the above-mentioned approved list/category/group by 23 January 2024 to Chief Quantity Surveyor/4 of Quantity Surveying Branch, Architectural Services Department at 34/F, Queensway Government Offices, 66 Queensway, Hong Kong, meet the qualifications and

conditions for participation, and the application for inclusion is duly approved on or before the tender closing date. Details for making the application are available at:—

http://www.devb.gov.hk/en/construction_sector_matters/contractors/index.html

Contractors will be liable to have their names removed from the approved list(s) if they fail or refuse to implement an accepted tender.

This tender is covered by the Agreement on Government Procurement of the World Trade Organization and will not involve electronic auction. This notice also serves as a summary notice required under the Agreement on Government Procurement of the World Trade Organization.

A charge will be levied for delivery of tender documents where the delivery of tender documents is requested by a tenderer. A written request must be made.

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region does not bind itself to accept any tender irrespective of whether the tender is the lowest bid or, where the assessment of the tenders is based on a marking scheme or formula approach, the tender with the highest overall score.

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region reserves the right to negotiate with any tenderer about the terms of the offer.

Details of the award of this contract will be published on the Internet at (<https://pcms2.gld.gov.hk/iprod/#/scn00101>).

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