

Demolition to Begin for KCPD East Patrol Division Station and Crime Lab Campus

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Kansas City, MO - infoZine - The first seven houses on the future site of the Kansas City, MO Police Department's East Patrol Division Station and Crime Lab Campus Project area will be demolished beginning Monday, Jan. 7.

The City has awarded a contract to Kaw Valley Wrecking, LLC, a Kansas City-area demolition company, to perform demolition and abatement on this phase of the project. Kaw Valley specializes in excavating and grading; sand and gravel; construction waste and recycling; and landscape supply.

Kaw Valley will subcontract work to two Section 3 contractors - Anlab Environmental, an environmental and remediation firm, and America on the Go Plumbing, LLC. Another firm, Alex's Plumbing, a certified minority business enterprise (MBE) company, will also participate as a subcontractor to Kaw Valley.

The City has set the minority and women business goals for the project at 17 percent for MBE (minority business enterprise) and 11 percent for WBE (woman business enterprise). The project's on-site construction workforce goals are a minimum of 10 percent minority and 2 percent women.

Kaw Valley Project Manager Bob Lane said Kaw Valley is dedicated to hiring two Section 3 subcontractors and a Section 3 employee to their staff.

"We hope this project will provide us opportunities to develop long-term relationships with these firms and with this employee for future projects beyond the East Campus," Lane said.

The City awarded the construction manager at risk contract to a joint venture between JE Dunn Construction Company and Alexander Mechanical Contractors, Inc. earlier this fall, and the notice to proceed was issued on Dec. 1, 2012.

As the construction manager at risk, Dunn/Alexander's responsibilities include the overall planning, coordination and control of the construction portion of the East Campus project. Their work will involve overseeing project management, bidding, scheduling, quality, cost and project safety. The Dunn/Alexander joint venture will also manage the project team, including prime contractors and second tier subcontractors, implement project controls, define communication protocols, coordinate project meetings and identify project elements that may be of concern to the City.

The term "construction manager at risk" applies to how the City contracts with the Dunn/Alexander joint venture, allowing them to work in conjunction with the architect, in this case Helix Architecture + Design, Inc., to deliver pre-construction project management support so that the project will be completed on time and within budget. For this project, Dunn/Alexander will not self-perform actual construction on the project but will hire prime contractors and subcontractors to build the project. The Dunn/Alexander construction manager at risk arrangement will provide increased opportunities for minority and women-owned firms to participate on the project.

JE Dunn Construction, an 88-year-old firm, is the nation's 26th largest general contractor with 17 offices nationally, providing pre-construction, general contracting, construction management and design-build services. Alexander Mechanical Contractors, Inc., a 15-year-old firm with offices in Kansas City and Denver, Colo., is a certified MBE/DBE, full-service mechanical contractor providing services in construction management, industrial piping, commercial HVAC and plumbing, new construction and retrofit work.

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