Board of Trustees  
The University of North Carolina at Greensboro  
September 5, 2014

Action Item

Designer Selection for Renovations to 1510 Walker Avenue  

Background Information

This project will renovate the existing 89,680 GSF Student Recreation Center. The Department of Campus Recreation will vacate the existing facility in the fall of 2016 to occupy a new building on campus. The renovation will provide space for the Department of Dance, UNCG's Middle College and the School of Health and Human Sciences.

PROJECT BUDGET: $6,762,000

The project was advertised on the North Carolina General Administration website and twenty-five (25) letters of interest were received two (2) of which were from Guilford County. The pre-selection committee reviewed the letters of interest and invited four (4) firms to an interview for presentation of their qualifications. The pre-selection committee recommends the following list of firms in ranking order:

1. Vines Architecture, Raleigh, NC
2. Clark Nexsen, Charlotte, NC
3. O'Brien/Atkins Associates, PA, Durham, NC
4. Smith Sinnett Architecture, PA + Kirwan Architecture PLLC

The firm of Vines Architecture, Raleigh, NC is recommended as the Designer because:

1. Vines Architecture offered an innovative design approach accentuating the connectivity of the building within the context of the overall campus.
2. Vines Architecture exhibited a strong understanding of the building program and the need to create a design that recognizes the unique identities of the individual departments located within the building.
3. Vines Architecture demonstrated experience in developing consensus among multiple building users.

Recommended Action

The Board of Trustees of The University of North Carolina at Greensboro approves the firm of Vines Architecture, Raleigh, NC as the Designer for the Renovations to 1510 Walker Avenue project. If agreeable terms cannot be met with the recommended firm, then the Board authorizes the administration to negotiate terms with the other firms in ranking order.

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