PREQUALIFICATION NOTICE

(Competitive Sealed Bids)

Notice is hereby given to all prospective bidders that the Clayton County Board of Education ("the Owner") has adopted a process for mandatory prequalification of prospective bidders which shall be used on **Gardenwalk Boulevard Bus Fueling Facility** ("the Project"). Address: **6234 Gardenwalk Blvd.**, **Riverdale**, **GA 30274**. Architectural Project #201512

The proposed building work consists of:

The Gardenwalk Blvd. Bus Fueling Facility project is located at 6234 Gardenwalk Blvd, Riverdale, Ga 30274 and will include but not limited to the supply and installation of a double wall 20,000 gallon diesel fuel tank with dispensers, canopy, lighting, surveillance cameras and fuel management supply system.

A detailed description of the Work is set forth in the Bidding Documents, and all other requirements of the Contractor under the Contract Documents. The criteria for prequalification ("the Criteria") are contained in the Owner's Prequalification Statement form, a copy of which shall be obtained upon request from Manley Spangler Smith Architects, 525 East Taylor Street PO Box 880, Griffin, GA 30224, Attn: Valdon Smith. Prequalification Statement forms shall also be obtained by requesting same by U.S. Mail at the above address. However, the prospective bidder assumes all risk of non-timely receipt. All prospective bidders who wish to bid on the Project shall submit their Prequalification Statements to the Owner's Construction Department at 218 Stockbridge Road, Jonesboro, GA 30236, on or before March 27th, 2017, by 3:00 PM. Prequalification Statements received after said date and time will be returned unopened. Prequalification Statements shall be submitted using only the Prequalification Statement forms provided by the Owner.

Prequalification Statements shall include, without exception, all of the information and representations called for by the Owner's Prequalification Statement form. Failure to furnish all of the requested information and representations shall result in the prospective bidder being disqualified from bidding on the Project.

Prospective bidders who fail to become prequalified to bid on the Project will not be permitted to bid on the Project and bids submitted by any person or entity that is not so prequalified shall be returned unopened.

On or before **March 31**st, **2017**, by written notice addressed to the prospective bidder at the address set forth on the prospective bidder's Prequalification Statement, the Owner will notify each prospective bidder that has timely submitted a Prequalification Statement utilizing the Owner's required form, as to whether it is, or is not, prequalified to bid on the Project. In the event that a prospective bidder is not prequalified to bid on the Project, the reason(s) for its disqualification will be briefly and succinctly stated. Such notification will be provided in a sufficiently timely manner to give disqualified bidders an opportunity to respond to their disqualification and, if successful in their response, to bid on the Project.

All prospective bidders that become prequalified to bid on the Project shall be deemed qualified and the Project shall be awarded, if at all, to the lowest responsive qualified bidder, unless any of such bidder's qualification information or representations change after submission of its Prequalification Statement and before the award, and such change results in such bidder being disqualified under the Criteria, in which event the contract shall be awarded, if at all, to the next lowest responsive qualified bidder that remains qualified at the time of the award. Each bidder shall have a continuing duty to notify the Owner, in writing,

in the event that any of its qualification information or representations change after it submits its Prequalification Statement and before the contract is awarded and signed by the Owner. In the event that the contract is awarded to a bidder and any of such bidder's qualification information or representations change after the award and before the contract is signed by the Owner, and such change results in such bidder being disqualified under the Criteria, the contract shall be awarded to, if at all, the next lowest responsive qualified bidder that remains qualified. The successful bidder shall provide such bid, performance and payment bonds covering the Project as provided by applicable law.

Any prospective bidder that receives notice from the Owner that it is not prequalified for the Project may respond to its disqualification by submitting a written response to the Owner's Construction Department ("Construction Department") at the address set forth above, to be actually received by the Owner by the earlier to occur of (i) within five (5) business days of such disqualified bidder's receipt of its notice of disqualification, or (ii) within five (5) business days of the deposit into the U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to such bidder's address set forth in the prequalification statement, of such bidder's notice of disqualification. Such written response shall set forth in reasonable detail the reasons why such disqualified bidder believes it should have been prequalified to bid on the Project. The Owner's Construction Department shall, within three (5) business days of timely receipt of any such response, rule upon the sufficiency of such response and either declare that such bidder be deemed prequalified or declare that such bidder shall continue to be disqualified for the Project. Such ruling by the Owner's Construction Department shall be communicated to such bidder in writing not later than three (3) business days from such ruling, and shall be final and binding.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and the right to waive any and all formalities and technicalities.