



Cleveland County
NORTH CAROLINA

Request for Qualifications

Code Compliance Professional Services
International Building Code 2018

Two Kings Casino
Kings Mountain, NC

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1. Introduction

Cleveland County Government is requesting qualifications from firms with North Carolina state licensed and ICC certified inspectors and plan examiners to provide professional services in connection with the new Two Kings Casino in Kings Mountain, NC.

The Two Kings Casino is currently planned to be a two-story building approximately 264,000 square feet adjacent to a five-story parking structure totaling approximately 639,000 square feet situated on 17 acres. The Two Kings Casino address is 538 Kings Mountain Blvd., Kings Mountain, NC 28086.

This casino has been designed using ICC IBC 2018 standards. The parking structure has been designed using NCBC. Drawings will be submitted to Cleveland County for permitting for both the Two Kings Casino and the 5 level West Parking Garage shortly.

The submittal deadline is October 29, 2021 at 2:00 PM

The firm's qualification package shall be submitted as an electronic PDF via email (or on a USB thumb drive) and in 3 paper copies in a sealed envelope/box. The envelope/box shall be labeled with the project name and the firm's name.

Qualification packages can be submitted by any one of the following methods:

Mail: Cleveland County
Finance & Purchasing Department
Attn: Kim Lester
PO Box 1210,
Shelby, NC 28151

Hand delivered: Cleveland County Administrative Building
2nd Floor
Finance & Purchasing Department
Attn: Kim Lester
311 E. Marion St
Shelby, NC

Administrative questions can be emailed to Kim Lester at:

Kim.Lester@clevelandcountync.gov

Any project scope questions should be emailed to: Jason.Falls@clevelandcountync.gov and code compliance professional services questions should be emailed to Colt.Farrington@clevelandcountync.gov no later than October 22nd, 2021.

Project Scope Questions

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Code Compliance Questions

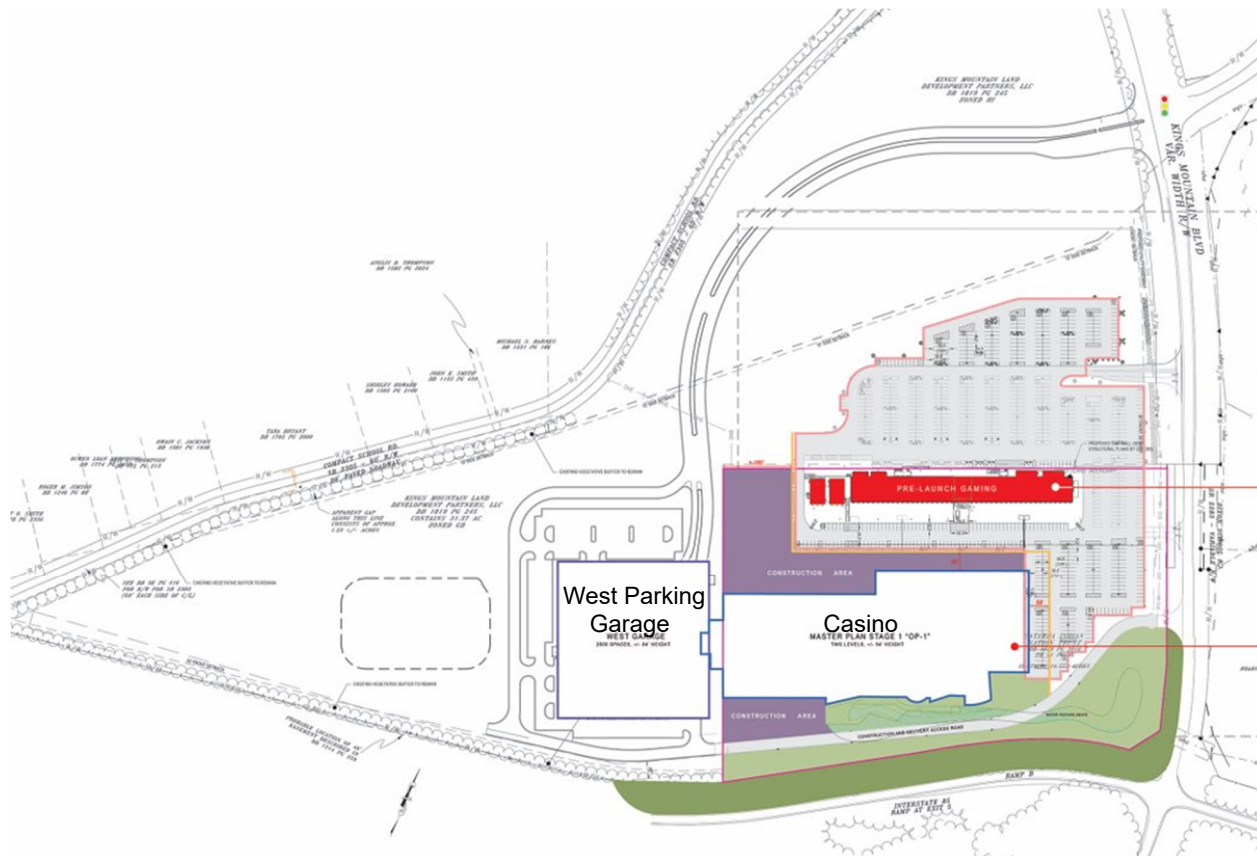
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2. Overview

The Catawba Nation currently operates a temporary casino facility on the 17-acre site off Dixon School Rd in Kings Mountain in Cleveland County. An extension to this temporary facility is currently under construction. The temporary facility is shaded in red in the illustration below.

The first phase of construction will be the main Two Kings Casino concurrently with the construction of the West Parking Garage. The construction staging area is shaded in purple.

Site Location — 538 Kings Mountain Blvd., Kings Mountain, NC



This Two Kings Casino is a fast-tracked project for the Catawba Nation. Cleveland County feels contracting code compliance inspections to a third-party professional services firm would best serve the Catawba Nation.

The chosen firm will provide code compliance inspection using North Carolina state licensed and ICC certified inspectors and plan examiners. The project developers expect construction to be 24/7 at certain construction points. The county and its contracted inspectors will be committed to inspect expeditiously.

Cleveland County Business Development Team will choose a qualified firm using a two-step process—select firms qualified to provide such services on the basis of demonstrated competence, qualifications, licenses, and certifications and an interview meeting with the firm's representatives presenting their team.

The Development Team will rate the firm based on, but not limited to, the criteria below:

- Overall reputation of the firm/team
- Key team members — experience, qualifications, and personal chemistry
- Individual resumes specific to this type of service and their future availability
- Experience with code compliance inspections and plan reviews
- Experience with providing these services to local governments
- Innovative and/or alternative methods, reporting, documenting, collaboration, digital records, etc.
- Unique qualities that would make firm/team best suited for the project.

3. General Requirements

- 3.1. The RFQ contact form must be signed and returned with firm's qualifications package for the services and deliverables described in Schedule 1 (the "Services and Deliverables").
- 3.2. The County will not be bound to act by any communication or proposal submitted by firms other than in accordance with this RFQ.
- 3.3. Firm's questions and the County's responses may, or may not be forwarded to all firms. The County reserves the right to communicate all or part of the questions and responses, with all, or certain firms.
- 3.4. By submitting a qualification package in response to this RFQ, firm is deemed to accept the award selection process and criteria and County's discretion in connection with such process and criteria.
- 3.5. By submitting a qualification package in response to this RFQ, the firm acknowledges and waives any claim for compensation of any kind whatsoever against the County or any of its Representatives (as defined below), as a result of its submission, any decision made by the County during the RFQ process, including when acting in its sole discretion, or arising in any other manner from its participation in this RFQ.

4. Firm's Affirmations

- 4.1. By submitting its qualifications, the firm represents and warrants the following:
 - a. This RFQ is a solicitation for professional qualifications and is not a contract or an offer to contract;
 - b. The submission of a qualifications package by the firm in response to this RFQ will not create a contract between the County and firm;
- 4.2. The County makes no representation or warranty, written or oral, that one or more contracts will be awarded under this RFQ; and

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- 4.3. The firm will bear, as its sole risk and responsibility, any cost arising from firm's preparation of a response to this RFQ and, as applicable, contract negotiations.
 - 4.4. The firm is a reputable person that is lawfully and regularly engaged in providing and/or performing the *Professional Services*.
 - 4.5. The firm has the necessary experience, knowledge, abilities, skills, and resources to provide and/or perform the Code compliance *Professional Services* upon the terms and conditions specified in this RFQ
 - 4.6. The firm is aware of, is fully informed about, and is in full compliance with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances including, without limitation, those relating to bid rigging.
 - 4.7. The firm understands:
 - a. The requirements and specifications set forth in this RFQ and
 - b. The terms and conditions set forth under which the firm will be required to operate.
 - 4.8. If selected by the County, the firm will not delegate any of its duties or responsibilities under this RFQ or any resulting contract to any subcontractor, except as expressly provided in the qualifications.
 - 4.9. If selected by the County, the firm will maintain any insurance coverage required by the contract during the term thereof.
 - 4.10. All statements, information and representations prepared and submitted in response to this RFQ are current, complete, true and accurate. The firm acknowledges that the County will rely on such statements, information and representations in selecting the successful professional services provider. If selected by the County, the firm will notify the County immediately of any material change in any matters with regard to which the firm has made a statement or representation or provided information.
 - 4.11. The firm has not given or offered to give to the County or any of its Representatives nor does it intend to give at any time hereafter, any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor or service in connection with its submitted quotation.
 - 4.12. The firm certifies that other than the relationships which have been previously disclosed to the County in writing
 - a. No relationship, whether by blood, marriage, business association, capital funding agreement or any other such kinship or connection exists between the owner of any firm that is a sole proprietorship, the officers or directors of any firm that is a corporation, the partners of any firm that is a partnership, the joint ventures of any firm that is a joint venture or the members or managers of any firm that is a limited liability company, on one hand, and an employee of any affiliate of the County, on the other hand, and
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- b. The firm or any of its officers, directors and shareholders/partners has not been an employee of the County within the immediate twelve (12) months prior to the submittal deadline of this RFQ. All disclosures by firm in connection with this certification will be subject to administrative review and approval before the County enters into a purchase order, contract or agreement with firm.
- 4.13. The firm represents and warrants that no proceedings have been taken or authorized by it or by any other person with respect to the bankruptcy, insolvency, liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the firm nor, to the knowledge of the firm, has anyone threaten to take any such proceedings against it.

5. Submission Requirements

- 5.1. Contact: All completed documents constituting your qualifications, as well as any questions or clarifications concerning this RFQ must be submitted to the County's representative identified on page 3 of this RFQ.
- 5.2. Timeline: The qualification package must be received on or before the submittal deadline (date and time) specified on page 3 of this RFQ. The County reserves the right, but has no obligation, to accept a qualification package submitted after the deadline and to amend the timeline. If a change to the timeline is required, the County will communicate the change to the firm(s). If a firm requests an extension of a deadline, the County may, in its sole discretion, decide to allow the extension or not. The County may, in its sole discretion, decide whether or not to communicate to the other firm(s) it granting of an extension or to offer them with the same extension.

6. Terms and Conditions

- 6.1. Contract—at a later date using Consultant Agreement for Services after review by the County Attorney
- 6.2. Office Locations—The firm must state the office location it plans to use.
- 6.3. Terms and Conditions—addendum from Cleveland County legal department.

7. Scope of Work

- 7.1. Building Code Inspections
- a. Provide building code compliance inspections in accordance with Chapter 1 of the International Building Code (IBC) 2018 and NCBC where applicable.
 - b. Spend time inspecting worksite to ensure that construction meets local, national building codes and ordinances, and contract specifications.
 - c. Building Code Inspection services include, but not limited to:
 - Electrical inspections
 - Mechanical inspections
 - Plumbing inspections

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- Building and Framing inspections
 - Gypsum panel product inspection
 - Fire alarm inspections
 - In-ground, rough-in, above ceiling and final inspections
 - Concrete slab and under-floor inspections
 - Pressure testing of sewer, gas, domestic water and fire protection lines.
 - Mechanical piping and support inspections
 - Duct seal inspections
 - Smoke alarm and duct detector inspections
 - Fire and smoke resistant wall penetrations
 - Energy efficiency inspections
 - ADA compliance inspections
 - Egress lighting inspections
- d. Reporting and communication with the County Building Inspection Director
- 7.2. Project Plan Review Services
- a. Communicate back to the Architect compliance issues pertaining to issued drawings.
 - b. Maintain project files and archival.
 - c. Reporting and communication with the County Building Inspection Director
8. **Included in Qualifications:**
- 8.1. List of recent code compliance facility projects with:
 - a. Three to four client references and contact information.
 - 8.2. Organization
 - a. Team organization chart with names and functions
 - b. Detailed resumés of each name and functional history
 - 8.3. Cost of Services
 - a. Unit fee schedule
 - b. Travel expense detail
 - c. Hard copy printing expenses
 - d. Miscellaneous

RFQ CONTACT FORM

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To: Cleveland County Finance & Purchasing Department
PO Box 1210
ATTN: Kim Lester
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Shelby, NC 28151

From: _____

Date: _____

Principal Contact Information

Signature

Company Address Line 1

Print Name

Company Address Line 2

License Number

Work Phone

Expiration Date

Cell Phone

Company Name

Email