

City of Gainesville

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A Quinn Jones Museum & Cultural Center Bid Award (B)

The A. Quinn Jones Museum & Cultural Center project is structured around creating a visitor experience that tells a complete story about the legacy of A. Quinn Jones and the Fifth Avenue Pleasant Street (FAPS) neighborhood residents; their history, triumphs and setbacks and how these events related to the broader context of our local and national history. The objective is that people of all ages and cultural backgrounds will walk away from the experience inspired, uplifted, enriched, and educated. This museum will showcase how A. Quinn Jones' legacy of laying a foundation for students to obtain an education had a monumental impact on not only our local community but our global one as well.

Construction for the interior build-out of the home is moving forward. The Invitation to Bid (ITB) was released by City Purchasing on September 30, 2015 for the renovation and adaptive reuse of the A. Quinn Jones Homestead into a public museum and cultural center. A mandatory pre-bid conference was held on October 14, 2015 @ 9:00 am. There were fourteen participants representing about 7 companies. The deadline for receipt of questions was October 16, 2015 @ 6:00 pm. The bid was due on October 28, 2015 at 3:00 pm local time and Purchasing received three bids. Purchasing and Legal deemed the bidder responsible and responsive and the low bid award went to WPJ Construction LLC/ENI LLC for \$198,299. Construction is anticipated to last 120 days from the Notice to Proceed.

Construction in the amount of \$198,299 will be paid from the FAPS Trust Fund as follows: W520 - \$131,264; W503 - \$\$30,000; W504 - \$25,000; W539 - \$7,035; and W501 - \$5,000.

CRA Executive Director to the CRA Board: Approve the Bid Award from WPJ Construction, LLC/ ENI, LLC in the amount of \$198,299 and authorize the CRA Executive Director to execute all pertinent documents subject to form and legality by the CRA Attorney.