NOTICE TO BIDDERS
NOTICE TO BIDDERS OF ADVERTISEMENTS FOR SEALED BIDS FOR PROPOSED PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT TO BE KNOWN AS 1ST AVENUE E BETWEEN 2ND STREET AND 5TH STREET PEDESTRIAN CROSSING UPGRADE
Contract No. 3012078-01

Description of Public Improvement
The Public Improvement, upon which bids are requested, generally consists of reconstructing the intersection of 1st Avenue E and 4th Street E, construction of medians on 1st Avenue E between 2nd Street and 5th Street, utility improvements, new railroad crossing elements and aesthetic improvements to coordinate with surrounding infrastructure improvements located at 1st Avenue E between 2nd Street and 5th Street. The Engineer’s estimate of probable cost is $1,400,000.

Type of Bid
Bids shall be on a Unit Price basis.

Contract Time Information
- Early Start Date: Upon Receipt of Notice to Proceed
- Late Start Date: 5/19/2020
- Milestones: None
- Final Completion: Completion Date - 8/21/2020 to qualify for incentives

Bid Opening, Time, Date and Location
Sealed Bids will be received by the Public Works Department at the City Services Center, 2nd Floor, 500 15th Avenue SW in Cedar Rapids, Iowa before 11:00 a.m. on March 11, 2020. Bids that are not received before this time will not be opened. The time a bid is submitted shall be determined by the time stamp machine maintained at the location bids are received. The bids will be opened and read aloud at 11:00 a.m. on March 11, 2020 at the City Services Center, 2nd Floor, 500 15th Avenue SW in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Contract Terms
Iowa Statewide Urban Design and Specifications (SUDAS), and City of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, General Supplemental Specifications to SUDAS, 2019 edition are applicable to this project, and are available on the City of Cedar Rapids’ website (www.cedar-rapids.org).

Items included in the Project are exempt from State of Iowa and Local Option Sales and Use Taxes. Contractor is responsible for obtaining the exemption. Sales and Use taxes shall not be included in the Bid.

Pre-Bid Conference
A pre-Bid conference has not been scheduled for this Project.

Examination and Procurement of Documents
Copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained through the website at http://www.cedarrapidsplanroom.com; by phone at 319-364-2473; or in person at 6015 Huntington Ct NE, Cedar Rapids IA 52402. No deposit will be required for the documents.

Bid Documents may be examined at the following locations:
Bid Security and Other Bonds
Each bidder shall accompany its bid with bid security as defined in Iowa Code Section 26.8, as security that the successful bidder will enter into a contract for the work bid upon and will furnish after the award of contract a corporate surety bond, in a form acceptable to the Jurisdiction, for the faithful performance of the contract, in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the amount of the contract. The bidder’s security shall be in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid and shall be in the form of a cashier’s check or a certified check drawn on an FDIC insured bank in Iowa or on an FDIC insured bank chartered under the laws of the United States; or a certified share draft drawn on a credit union in Iowa or chartered under the laws of the United States; or a bid bond on the form provided in the contract documents executed by a corporation authorized to contract as a surety in the State of Iowa. Bid security, other than said bid bond, shall be made payable to the City of Cedar Rapids. The bid shall contain no condition except as provided in the specifications.

Drug Free Workplace
The City of Cedar Rapids seeks to enhance worker safety by creating workplaces that are free of drugs and substance abuse. All contractors and subcontractors shall be responsible for pre-employment drug screening of prospective employees. All contractors and subcontractors shall have in place a drug and alcohol testing policy that conforms to the requirements of Iowa Code, and will be required to submit with their bid an affidavit attesting to this practice.

Applicable Laws and Regulations
By virtue of statutory authority, preference will be given to products and provisions grown and coal produced within the State of Iowa, and to Iowa domestic labor, to the extent lawfully required under Iowa Code Chapter 73.

In accordance with Iowa statutes, a resident bidder shall be allowed a preference as against a nonresident bidder from a state or foreign country if that state or foreign country gives or requires any preference to bidders from that state or foreign country, including but not limited to any preference to bidders, the imposition of any type of labor force preference, or any other form of preferential treatment to bidders or laborers from that state or foreign country. The preference allowed shall be equal to the preference given or required by the state or foreign country in which the nonresident bidder is a resident. In the instance of a resident labor force preference, a nonresident bidder shall apply the same resident labor force preference to a public improvement in this state as would be required in the construction of a public improvement by the state or foreign country in which the nonresident bidder is a resident.
Non- Discrimination Notice
The City of Cedar Rapids, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

OWNER’s Right to Reject Bids
The City Council of the City of Cedar Rapids reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities and technicalities, and to enter into such contracts as it deems to be in the best interest of the City. The City reserves the right to defer acceptance of any proposal for 60 calendar days after the bids have been received and opened.

By order of the City Council, City of Cedar Rapids.
Dated this 25th day of February, 2020.

Amy Stevenson, City Clerk

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