SECTION 901 - ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

CITY OF GULFPORT HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

SEAWAY ROAD PEDESTRIAN PATHWAY FEDERAL-AID PROJECT NO. STP-9178-00(003) LPA / 107512-701000

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Gulfport, at the Office of Procurement, located at 1410 24th Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi 39501, until 10:00 a.m. local time, on Thursday, May 9, 2019 for supplying all labor, equipment, and materials (as specified) necessary for the construction of the above referenced project. All bids so received will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The work shall consist essentially of the following items:

Asphalt pavement, drainage improvements, striping, pedestrian railing and pedestrian bridges. All other related items of work required to complete the project as shown and specified in the Contract Documents.

The above general outline of features of the work does not in any way limit the responsibility of the contractor to perform all work and furnish all plant, labor, equipment and materials required by the specifications and the drawings referred to therein.

Plans, contract documents and special provisions and proposal forms are on file for public inspection in the office of the City of Gulfport Engineering Division which is located at 4050 Hewes Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi 39507 and in the office of Neel-Schaffer, Inc., 772 Howard Avenue, Biloxi, Mississippi 39530.

"The City of Gulfport now offers Electronic Bidding. Official bid documents can be downloaded from Central Bidding at www.centralbidding.com. Electronic bids and/or reverse auction bids can be submitted at www.centralbidding.com. For any questions relating to the electronic bidding process, please call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814."

The attention of bidders is directed to the Special Provisions governing selection and employment of labor.

Minimum wage rates for Federal-Aid projects have been predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and are subject to Public Law 87-581 Work Hours Act of 1962, as set forth in the Contract Provisions.

The City of Gulfport hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged and women's 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.

The award of this contract will be contingent upon the Contractor satisfying the DBE/WBE requirements.

The 2017 Edition of the Mississippi Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, adopted by the Mississippi Department of Transportation, as referred to herein, may be purchased from the Mississippi Department of Transportation.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Certified Check on a solvent bank or a Bidder's Bond issued by a Surety Company licensed to operate in the State of Mississippi, in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total bid price, payable to the City of Gulfport as bid security. Bidders shall also submit a current financial statement, if requested by the City. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a performance and payment bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount. Both bonds shall be signed or countersigned by a Mississippi Resident Agent.

The proposal and contract documents in its entirety shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and deposited with the Office of Procurement at 1410 24th Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi prior to the hour and date above designated.

A pre-bid conference will be held at 10 a.m., local time on April 18, 2019 at Gulfport Engineering Department, 4050 Hewes Avenue, Gulfport, MS 39507. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is highly encouraged but is not mandatory.

Bid security shall be furnished in accordance with the Instruction to Bidders.

For bids exceeding \$50,000.00, Bidder must indicate his Certificate of Responsibility Number on the outside of sealed proposal as required by Mississippi Law. Effective July 1, 2010; Per MS Code 31-3-21(3); any bid submitted by a nonresident contractor which does not include the nonresident contractor's current state law pertaining to such state's treatment of nonresident contractors, shall be rejected and not considered for award. If no such law exists in the non-resident contractor's state, then the non-resident contractor may provide a statement to that effect.

The City of Gulfport reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to waive technicalities or irregularities, or to advertise for new proposals, and the decision of the City of Gulfport to reject any bid or proposal shall not be cause for any liability or damages against the City of Gulfport, any officers or employees.

The bidder must agree to commence work on or before a date to be specified in a written "Notice to Proceed" of the Owner and to fully complete the project within the Contract Time. The bidder must also agree to pay as liquidated damages the sum specified in the Standard Specifications per day for each calendar day of overrun in Contract Time that work is not completed.

Work to be performed shall be in accordance with the "Mississippi State Highway Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, 2017", together with all amendments and/or special provisions and/or addenda to the standards duly approved and adopted, unless otherwise noted in these specifications.

The attention of Bidders is directed to the provisions of Subsection 102.07 pertaining to irregular proposals and rejection of bids.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within sixty (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

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