

PUBLIC NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS PHASE ONE OF A MULTI-STEP PROCUREMENT PROJECT

The Warren County Board of Supervisors is seeking non-binding proposals from qualified suppliers to provide **ASPHALT PRODUCTS** for use by the Warren County Road Department. **Deadline for receipt of Proposals is 2:00 p.m. CST on April 7, 2021.** The Bid File Number is **2021-0222.1**.

Pursuant to Ms Code 31-7-13 and House Bill 1109, materials will be procured through a multi-step procurement process, including a **Reverse Auction**. In Phase One, **Proposals** are evaluated for potential acceptability based upon pre-determined criteria. In Phase Two, **only** those bidders whose proposals are determined acceptable shall be invited to provide priced bids for consideration. The Reverse Auction for this event is tentatively scheduled for April 14, 2021 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Warren County encourages vendor participation in this multi-step process. Complete instructions are provided in the specifications package.

The specification package and instructions for submission of Proposals may be obtained by visiting the website **Bid Now Solutions** at <https://bidnowsolutions.com/warrencounty/> or by contacting Penny Evans, Purchasing Agent by email, pennye@co.warren.ms.us. Proposals may be submitted via electronic or paper delivery means. Paper delivery shall be to the Warren County Purchasing Department, 913 Jackson St, Vicksburg MS 39183. Late or incomplete proposals will not be considered. Modifications will not be considered after the closing date and time. The following criteria shall be used to evaluate Proposals:

1. Compliance with Request for Proposals/Bids submission requirements;
2. Responses to Specifications of materials required;
3. Demonstrated experience, ability and resources of the vendor to provide materials required;
4. Warren County's experience with the bidder or manufacturer, brand or model offered;

Warren County reserves the right to conduct oral or written discussions of the Proposals. Bidders may designate those portions of the Proposals which contain proprietary data they wish to remain confidential. The item or service procured shall be furnished in accordance with the bidder's proposal and shall meet the requirements of the request for proposals/bids.

As this procurement event is for materials on an as-needed basis, Warren County is not requiring a surety bond for bidders to enter the reverse auction.

The Warren County Board of Supervisors reserves the right to determine responsible proposing companies, responsive and most advantageous proposal(s), invite bids from multiple bidders, reject any and all proposals or bids and waive minor informalities in the proposal and bid process. Warren County reserves the right to award contracts to the bidder(s) believed most advantageous to Warren County, price and other factors considered.

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Warren County Board of Supervisors
By: Penny Evans, Purchasing Agent

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