REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING SERVICES

The City of Corinth is seeking Proposals for Engineering Services for the repair and/or replacement of elements of its water, sanitary sewer, and storm water infrastructure within a 15-block area of its downtown district bounded by Jackson Street on the west, Childs Street on the north, Cass Street on the east, and Cruise Street on the south. Funding for the project is primarily from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) program established by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) and must follow the guidance imposed by the United States Department of Treasury.

Qualified firms are invited to submit a proposal, in accordance with this request to the City of Corinth, Office of Community Development and Planning, 300 Childs Street, Corinth, MS 38835-0669 until 2:00 p.m. on January 14, 2022.

The scope of work will include the following activities:

- 1. Identify and map all underground infrastructure within the right of ways within the project area.
- 2. Ascertain the characteristics of the existing publicly owned lines including depth, materials of construction and current condition. This task may require third party contractors with expertise in nondestructive testing methods.
- 3. Develop a prioritized list of publicly owned utility lines recommended for replacement based on their condition and expected life.
- 4. Develop cost estimates for the recommended actions, and review with City to develop a construction scope of work.
- 5. Develop plans, specifications and contract documents for the approved scope of work.
- 6. Assist the City in all aspects of the bidding process including pre-bid meeting and tabulation of bids.
- 7. Conduct work in-progress inspections giving periodic reports to the City, and approving any and all partial payment requests.
- 8. Provide all services necessary for the execution of the project including consultations, surveys, soil investigations, supervision, travel, "as built" or record drawings, testing, construction engineering, and incidental costs.

The successful engineering firm should be familiar with all aspects of the Water Pollution Control Revolving Loan Fund (WPCRLF) program and the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) program, and the requirements incumbent upon these and similar federal programs. Firms responding to this Request should be familiar with the U.S. Treasury Department's Guidance on Recipient Compliance and Reporting Responsibilities, as it may affect their participation or that of any subcontractors that they may use. The City of Corinth is an Equal Opportunity Employer, and encourages Minority-owned Businesses (MBEs) and Women-owned Businesses (WBEs) to submit proposals. All contractors and subcontractors will be required to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

The SLFRF requires that funds be used only for costs incurred or committed by December 31, 2024, and fully expended by December 31, 2026.

Firms desiring consideration should submit six (6) copies of their proposal by the time and date stated above and must include the following:

- 1. Technical expertise of the firm and experience on similar projects.
- 2. Experience of the firm with WPCRLF and DWSRF projects.
- 3. Availability of qualified personnel list of qualifications of each staff person to be assigned to project.
- 4. Projected timeline with milestones for completion of the project activities from engineering contract award to the completion of all design tasks and receipt of bids on the project.

All proposals must be submitted in a sealed envelope and marked with the following language: "Proposal for Engineering Services – SLFRF Program." Proposals will be rated on the following criteria: Technical Expertise – 30 points; Relevant Experience – 25 points; Personnel Capacity – 25 points; Design and Bid Schedule – 20 points.

Proposals will be reviewed by a selection committee using the above selection criteria. A contract will be negotiated with the firm whose proposal is within the competitive range and determined by the committee to be the most advantageous to the City, price and other factors considered. The contract will include scope and extent of work and other essential requirements. The City has the authority to reject any and all proposals.

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