

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
Raising of Silver Street
Project Number: 1106601.220

The City of Natchez, Mississippi, will receive bids for the Raising of Silver Street in conjunction with the construction of a privately-operated ramp on city property, Project No. 1106601.220 (the "Project") no later than 2:00 P.M. local time, Tuesday, April 26, 2022, in the office of the City Clerk, 124 South Pearl Street, Natchez, MS 39120 at which time said bids will be publicly opened, read aloud and thereafter taken under advisement until the next meeting of the Natchez Mayor and Board of Alderman.

The City of Natchez is in receipt of Department of the Treasury Coronavirus State and Local Recovery Funds (SLFRP) established under the 2021 American Rescue Plan Act, or ARPA, which will be used to fund the Project. All contracts funded in whole or in part with these funds shall be subject to all applicable federal regulations, contract terms and requirements.

The work shall consist of, but is not limited to, the placement of retaining walls, raising the embankment of Silver Street, placement of sidewalks, railing, and lighting at "Natchez Under-the-Hill" in Natchez, MS. In addition and included in the Project is the construction of a privately-operated ramp on city property.

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 in the Project Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents. The contract time for this capital improvement project is **100** working days.

The Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents are on file and may be examined at the following locations:

1. Office of the City Clerk in City Hall, 124 S. Pearl St., Natchez, Mississippi 39120
2. Volkert, Inc., 111 East Capitol St., Jackson, Mississippi 39201.

One (1) copy of the Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents may be procured upon payment of \$150.00 (by check, made payable to "Volkert, Inc.") at Volkert, Inc., 111 East Capitol St., Jackson, Mississippi 39201. The payment is non-refundable.

Official bid documents can be downloaded from Central Bidding at www.centralauctionhouse.com. Electronic 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.

Bid preparation and submittal will be in accordance with the requirements contained in this Advertisement for Bids, and in the Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents. Failure to adhere to these requirements will result in a bid being deemed non-responsive. The Project will be awarded to the bidder that has the lowest total responsive bid as determined by the criteria contained in the Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents. **Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check, or Bid Bond acceptable to the City of Natchez in the amount of 5% of total bid amount. One hundred percent (100%) Performance and Payment Bonds are required.** Licensing and other certification of qualifications will be required as specified in the Contract Documents.

The bid and contract documents **in its entirety** shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and deposited with the City Clerk, 124 S. Pearl St., Natchez, Mississippi prior to the hour and date above designated. **Stripped or incomplete bids will be rejected. Bidders may not withdraw**

their bid within sixty (60) days after the date of the actual bid opening without consent of the City of Natchez.

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 the Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents.

Bids for this work will be accepted only under the name of the bidder to whom the Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents and Addenda, if any, have been issued by the Engineer. Bids received by bidders to whom the Contract Documents were not issued by the Engineer will be returned unopened.

State law requires a non-resident bidder to attach/include a copy of his resident state’s current law pertaining to such state’s treatment of non-resident contractors with their bid. Any bid submitted by a non-resident contractor which does not include the non-resident contractor’s current state law shall be rejected and not considered for award.

Contract award may be withheld by the City of Natchez for a period not to exceed forty-five (45) calendar days from the date of the opening of the bids for the purpose of bid review and investigation of the bidder's qualifications, prior to award of the contract.

The City of Natchez reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities or irregularities in bidding, to negotiate with the lowest and best bidder to reduce the bid price to come within the funds allocated for the work, to reduce the job in order to stay within available funding or as desirable in the discretion of the Board of Aldermen, and to accept bids by classes and/or groups, if applicable.

Dan M. Gibson, Mayor
City of Natchez

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