REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION FOR: DEVELOPMENT OF CITYWIDE OPEN ACCESS FIBER TO THE PREMISES

Notice is hereby given that sealed responses will be received by the City Clerk's Office, City of Natchez until the date and time cited below. Responses received by the correct date and time will be opened publicly and read aloud by the City Clerk (or designated representative) and thereafter taken under advisement until the next meeting of the Natchez Mayor and Board of Alderman.

This RFI contains preliminary information to serve as a means of gathering information from the ISP industry and should not be construed as a Solicitation for applications or as an obligation on the part of the City of Natchez (CITY).

Acknowledgment of receipt of responses will not be made, nor will respondents be notified of the CITY's assessment of the information received. However, should such a requirement materialize, no basis for claims against the CITY shall arise as a result of a response to this RFI or the CITY's use of such information as either part of its evaluation process or in developing specifications for any subsequent requirement. Any proprietary information should be marked as such.

Official bid documents can be downloaded at <u>www.centralbidding.com</u>. Electronic bids can be submitted at <u>www.centralbidding.com</u>. For any questions regarding the electronic bidding process, please contact Central Bidding at 225-810-4814 or <u>support@centralbidding.com</u>.

Please read the entire package and submit the response in accordance with the instructions. This document (less this invitation and the instructions) and any required response documents, attachments, and submissions will constitute the response.

RESPONSE DUE DATE AND TIME: September 27, 2022, 10:00 am CDT

Questions concerning this Solicitation should be submitted by email to the following Purchasing contacts or their designees:

Technical Questions:

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James Johnston Director of Community Development Phone: 601-445-7518 Email: jjohnston@natchez.ms.us

Dan M. Gibson, Mayor Attest: Megan McKenzie City Clerk