**ADVERTISEMENT FOR PROPOSALS**

 **ENGINEERING SERVICES**

 **(Competitive Negotiation)**

Durant, Mississippi, hereby requests proposals for engineering services in relation to its proposed Economic Development Administration project.

 The project activities will include rehabbing its electrical system throughout the city.

 The Scope of Work will consist of preparation of the Preliminary Engineering Report (PER); preparation of plans and specifications for advertisement of bids; evaluation of bids and recommendation of contract award; preparation of the contract in accordance with EDA guidelines; conducting pre-construction conference in coordination with project administrator; inspecting construction in progress; and advising the mayor and board of aldermen and the project administrator on contractor payments; and compliance with all EDA guidelines.

 Those desiring consideration should submit qualifications by the time and date stated and must include the following:

 1. Qualifications - List of qualifications of each staff person to be assigned to project.

 2. Experience - Information regarding the experience of the firm. This information should include types of project activities undertaken.

 3. Capacity for Performance - Identify the number and title of staff available to be assigned to provide services and capacity to perform the work within the time limitations.

 4. Familiarity - Knowledge of the type of problems applicable to the project.

 All proposals will be rated on the following system to determine the best proposal: Description and Maximum Points: Qualifications - 30; Experience - 30; Capacity - 30; Familiarity - 30; Total: 120 Points.

 All proposals will be reviewed by a selection committee consisting of representatives from the City of Durant/surrounding area using the above selection criteria. Each member of the committee will assign points to each criterion based on the content of the proposal. Negotiations will be conducted to determine a mutually satisfactory contract first with the firm receiving the highest accumulated points, as rated by the committee. The selection committee will present its recommendations to the City of Durant’s mayor and board of aldermen.

 Final award will be made to the responsible proposer whose proposal is determined to be the most advantageous to the city. Proposals should be in a sealed envelope marked "Engineering Proposal – City of Durant – EDA Economic Development Infrastructure Improvements." Proposals should be submitted to the City of Durant, P.O. Box 272, Durant, Mississippi 39063, or delivered to the Durant City Hall, 253 West Mulberry Street, Durant, Mississippi, no later than 4:00 p.m. local time on Friday, October 12, 2018.

 The City reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

 For more information, contact Rio Winters, North Central Planning and Development District, Winona, Mississippi, at (662)283-2675, or write to 28 Industrial Park Blvd., Winona, Mississippi 38967.

 /s/Henry Robinson,

 Mayor

 City Of Durant

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Ursula Perry, City Clerk

City of Durant

P.O. Box 272

Durant, MS 39063

Please send Proof of Publication to:

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