**Advertisement for Bids**

**2018 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) SEWER REHABILITATION**

**CDBG NO. 1135-18-277-PF-01**

**CITY OF NEWTON**

**NEWTON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI**

Sealed bids for the construction of the 2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Sewer Rehabilitation shall be received by the City of Newton at 203 East Church Street, Newton, MS 39345 until 3:30 pm local time, August 22, 2019 at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Principal items of work are as follows:

1. Clearing of sewer line right-of-way
2. Approximately 4,084 feet of sewer line cleaning,
3. Approximately 4,084 feet of television inspection of sewer line with protruding service connection removal,
4. Approximately 5 point repairs,
5. Approximately 4,084 feet of 10” cured-in-place pipe,
6. Approximately 163 vertical feet of manhole rehabilitation,
7. Approximately 18 manhole ring and cover raising and resetting
8. Approximately 50 feet of 10” sewer removal,
9. Approximately 50 feet of 10” steel gravity sewer with concrete bulkheads, and
10. Maintenance of Traffic.

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 therein.

Contract time shall be 120 consecutive calendar days from the effective date shown in the Notice to Proceed. Liquidated damages will be assessed in the amount of $750.00 for each consecutive calendar day the work has not achieved Final Completion.

Bidder must be qualified under Mississippi Law and show current Certificate of Responsibility issued by the Mississippi State Board of Public Contractors establishing his classification as to the value and type of construction on which he is authorized to bid.

Each Bidder shall write his Certificate of Responsibility Number on the outside of the sealed envelope containing his proposal.

Proposals shall be submitted in duplicate, sealed and deposited with the City of Newton, Mississippi prior to the hour and date herein before designated. No bidder may withdraw his bid within 90 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Each Bidder must submit with his proposal a separate attachment stating his qualifications to perform the Work. The Statement of Qualifications shall list past projects of similar size and nature, a list of references with name and telephone number, a list of key personnel who will perform the work, and other information supporting the bidder's qualifications.

Awarding public contracts to non-resident Bidders will be on the same basis as the non-resident bidder's state awards contracts to Mississippi Contractors bidding under similar circumstances. In order to ensure that Mississippi's so-called Golden Rule is followed state law requires a non-resident bidder to attach to his bid a copy of his resident state's current laws pertaining to such state's treatment of non-resident contractors.

Each Bidder must deposit with his proposal, a Bid Bond or Certified Check in an amount equal to five percent of his bid, payable to the City of Newton, Mississippi, as bid security. Bidders shall also submit a current financial statement, if requested, by the City of Newton, Mississippi. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Payment Bond and Performance Bond each in the amount of 100 percent of the contract amount.

The Engineer is Neel-Schaffer, Inc., 125 S. Congress Street, Suite 1100, Jackson, MS 39201, (601) 948-3071, Fax No. (601) 948-3178 or email phillip.gibson@neel-schaffer.com.

Contract Drawings, Contract Specifications, Instructions to Bidders and Bidders Proposal forms are on file and open to public inspection in the office of the City Clerk of Newton, Mississippi and the Engineer. Copies of the Instructions to Bidders, Bid Forms, Contract Drawings and Contract Specifications may be procured at the office of the Engineer between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., Local Time, Monday through Friday, upon payment of $125.00 for each set, which will not be refunded. Checks are to be made payable to Neel-Schaffer, Inc.

The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended 12 U.S.C. 1701u (Section 3). CDBG regulations governing the grant require that, to the greatest extent feasible, opportunities for contracting, subcontracting, training, and employment arising regarding this CDBG project will be extended to Section 3 businesses and Section 3 residents.

Section 3 requirements of the Contract and the Contractor’s Section 3 action steps during the bidding process which are necessary to comply with the current CDBG requirements will be discussed during the Pre-Bid Meeting held on August 7, 2019, at 10:00 A.M. at the City of Newton City Hall at 203 East Church Street, Newton, MS 39345. Attendance is strongly encouraged but is not mandatory.

Minority and women’s business enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities, equipment, material and/or supply needs.

As a requirement of the CDBG Grant, the City of Newton has established goals for the participation of Minority-Owned and Operated Business Enterprises (MBEs) and Woman-Owned and Operated Business Enterprises (WBEs). A goal of 10% participation for MBEs and a goal of 5% participation for WBEs.

The City of Newton is an Equal Opportunity Employer. The City of Newton hereby notifies all Bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered pursuant to this advertisement will be afforded the full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, sexual preference, marital or veteran status, or any other legally protected status in consideration for an award.

The City of Newton furthers its support of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity for all individuals.

The City of Newton reserves the right to reject all bids and to waive any informalities or irregularities therein.

**BY:**

 Honorable Murray Weems

 Mayor

 City of Newton, Mississippi

**DATES OF PUBLICATION:**

July 24, 2019

July 31, 2019