**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

**WATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS**

**CITY OF VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI**

Sealed bids will be received in the office of the City Clerk, 1401 Walnut Street, Vicksburg, Mississippi, 39180 of the City of Vicksburg, Mississippi (The Owner) until 9:00 a.m., local time, on April 3, 2023. They will be publicly opened and read aloud by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Vicksburg in a Board Meeting at 10:00 a.m., April 3, 2023, for supplying all labor and materials necessary for the construction of the WATER PLANT IMPROVEMENTS, VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI (the Project).

The project consists of water plant improvements, a new groundwater well, and associated piping at the Vicksburg Water Plant. The project is located at 601 Haining Road, Vicksburg, MS 39183.

Bidders must be qualified under Mississippi Law and have a Certificate of Responsibility issued by the Mississippi State Board of Public Contractors. Non-resident bidders must include a copy of the non-resident contractor’s current state law.

A MANDATORY Pre-Bid Meeting and Site Visit will be held at the Vicksburg Water Treatment Plant located at 601 Haining Road, Vicksburg, MS 39183 at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, March 22, 2023.

Bidders are cautioned that the City Clerk does not receive the daily U.S. Mail on or before 9:00 a.m. Bids will be time-stamped upon receipt according to City Clerk's time clock.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check of the bidder, or a Bid Bond prepared on the form of a bid bond as included herein, duly executed by the Bidder as principal and having as surety thereon a surety company licensed by the State of Mississippi and signed by an agent resident in Mississippi, in the amount of five percent (5%) of the base bid.

Bidders shall also submit a current financial statement, if requested by the City of Vicksburg. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount.

The duration of construction is 365 calendar days after the issuance of Notice to Proceed and the liquidated damages will be $1,200 per consecutive calendar day past the approved completion date.

Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents are on file and open to public inspection at the City of Vicksburg Administrative Office, 1401 Walnut Street, Vicksburg, MS 39180. Bid documents will contain instructions for bidding by both sealed envelope and electronic means. Bidders are cautioned to read all instructions carefully.

Bid documents are being made available via paper copy or digital copy through [www.centralbidding.com](http://www.centralbidding.com). Plans can be viewed for no charge or physically purchased at this website location. All plan holders are required to have a valid e-mail address to register for an account and log in at [www.centralbidding.com](http://www.centralbidding.com). Purchased bid documents are non-refundable and must be purchased through the website.

The City of Vicksburg strongly encourages the use of Minority, Women Owned and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises in the performance of the work.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive informalities. Bids on the Project must be received on or before the period scheduled for the Project and no bid can be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for the Project for a period of sixty (60) days.

BY ORDER OF THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN ON

Signed by: /s/Walter W. Osborne, Jr., City Clerk

PUBLICATION DATES:

Wednesday, March 8, 2023, and Wednesday, March 15, 2023