**Section 901**

**ADVERTISEMENT**

City of Olive Branch

DeSoto County, Mississippi

Federal Aid Project No. STP-7903-00(001)LPA/104919-701000

The City of Olive Branch, DeSoto County, Mississippi, will receive bids for the construction of the Craft Road Widening, Paving and Drainage Improvements, Federal Aid Project No. STP-7903-00(001) LPA/104919-701000 no later than **2:00PM** Local Time, **November 24, 2014** at Olive Branch City Hall. All bids so received will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The work shall consist essentially of the following items:

Reconstruction of the existing 2-lane Craft Road to a 5-lane, curb & gutter roadway. This project will include sidewalk, pavement markings, utility relocations and drainage improvements.

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.

The attention of bidders is directed to the Contract Provisions governing selection and employment of labor. Minimum wage rates for Federal-Aid projects have been predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and are subject to Public Law 87-581 Work Hours Act of 1962, as set forth in the Contract Provisions.

The City hereby notifies all Bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged and women’s business enterprises 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, or national origin in consideration for an award.

**The award of this contract will be contingent upon the Contractor satisfying the DBE/WBE requirements.**

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

1. City Hall, 9200 Pigeon Roost Road, Olive Branch, MS 38654

2. Neel-Schaffer, Inc., 5740 Getwell Road, Bldg. 2, Southaven, MS 38672

Copies of the Bidder’s Information and Bid Forms, Contract Specifications and Contract Drawings may be procured at the office of Neel-Schaffer, Inc. between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M, Local Time, Monday through Friday, upon payment of $150.00 for each set, which will not be refunded. Checks are to be made payable to Neel-Schaffer, Inc.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Certified Check on a solvent bank, Cashier’s Check, or a Bidder’s Bond issued by a Surety Company licensed to operate in the State of Mississippi, in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total bid price, payable to the City of Olive Branch as bid security. Bidders shall also submit a current financial statement, if requested by the City. 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 proposal and contract documents in its entirety shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and deposited with the City Clerk at City Hall prior to the hour and date above designated. Work to be performed shall be in accordance with the “Mississippi State Highway Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, 2004”, together with all amendments and/or special provisions and/or addenda to the standards duly approved and adopted, unless otherwise noted in these specifications.

The attention of Bidders is directed to the provisions of Subsection 102.07 pertaining to irregular proposals and rejection of bids.

CITY OF OLIVE BRANCH, DESOTO COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE THIS 24TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2014

/s/ Mayor Scott Phillips, Mayor

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