

## **ADVERTISEMENT FOR PROPOSALS**

The City of Gulfport is seeking un-priced technical proposals from equipment dealers for:

### **MISSISSIPPI AQUARIUM Building 30 – ARC Quarantine: PVC, Life Support Components & Media**

Deadline for receipt of un-priced technical proposals is **February 9, 2023, at 10:00 AM**, local time at Hardy Building, 1410 24th Avenue, Gulfport, MS 39501. Bidders may also submit responses electronically at [www.gulfportmsbids.com](http://www.gulfportmsbids.com)

Pursuant to MS Code 31-7-13 and House Bill 1109, this commodity will be procured through a multi-step procurement process, including a Reverse Auction. In Phase One, un-priced technical proposals are evaluated for potential acceptability based upon pre-determined criteria. In Phase Two, only those bidders whose technical proposals are determined acceptable shall be invited to provide priced bids for consideration. City of Gulfport encourages vendor participation in this multi-step process. Complete instructions are provided in the specifications package.

Specifications and detailed instructions regarding the bid process may be obtained by visiting the website [www.gulfportmsbids.com](http://www.gulfportmsbids.com). Specification response forms, along with all other required information detailed in the bid instructions should be submitted before **February 9, 2023 at 10:00 AM** per the detailed bid instructions. Un-priced Specification Response submissions will be evaluated, and vendors meeting the required specifications will be invited to participate in the **Electronic Reverse Auction process on February 14, 2023, at 10:00 AM**. Approved vendors will be given detailed instructions regarding the reverse auction. The City of Gulfport reserves the right to extend the auction date if necessary, to complete the pre-qualification process. For any questions relating to the electronic submittal or reverse auction process, please call PH Bidding Group at 662-407-0193.

The City of Gulfport is an equal opportunity employer and hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that, in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, age, disability or national origin in consideration for an award.

The City of Gulfport reserves the right to reject any and or all bids, waive technicalities, informalities or irregularities in the bids received, solicit new bids or to choose that bid which is deemed to be in the best interest of the City of Gulfport.

Jessica Versiga  
Purchasing Agent

**Publishing Dates:** February 19, 2023 and February 26, 2023