

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that The Warren County Board of Supervisors will receive sealed bids from qualified bidders for the construction of a **Pole Barn at the Warren County Road Department, located at 200 County Lane, Vicksburg, MS. The bid file number is 2022-1121**

A Pre-Bid Conference for this project will be held on Thursday, March 30, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. at the Warren County Road Department, located at 200 County Lane, Vicksburg, MS. This pre-bid event will include an opportunity for prospective bidders to make a complete inspection of the area. All interested contractors are firmly encouraged to attend.

Sealed bids will be received at the Warren County Purchasing Department, 913 Jackson St, Vicksburg MS 39183 until 10:00 a.m. local time on Wednesday, April 19, 2023 and shortly thereafter publicly opened, read aloud and recorded. Contractors have the option of submitting bids in a sealed envelope or through Central Bidding at www.centralbidding.com. Complete specifications and instructions for bidding may be obtained from Central Bidding at www.centralbidding.com. Interested contractors can register as a vendor for free and download plans for \$49 at www.centralbidding.com. For any questions relating to the electronic bidding process, please call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814 or the Warren County Purchasing Dept., 913 Jackson Street, Vicksburg, MS 39183. The phone number is 601-638-7428.

The contract time for the work included in this contract is **One Hundred (100) Calendar days**. The Contract will be subject to liquidated damages of three hundred (\$300) per calendar day for each day in default after the stipulated completion date. The contract time will begin on the date specified in the written Notice to Proceed.

Bidders must be qualified under Mississippi State law and possess a Certificate of Responsibility issued by the Mississippi State Board of Public Contractors. This project is expected to exceed \$50,000, therefore the Certificate of Responsibility Number shall be written on the outside of the sealed bid envelope. For electronic bids, the COR information may be submitted as an attachment with the electronic bid submittal. All bids shall be in compliance with and subject to the guidelines and requirements of Mississippi Code of 1972 as annotated and amended.

Mississippi has a reciprocal preference law. Mississippi Code 31-3-21 requires that a copy of any non-resident bidder's current state law pertaining to its treatment of non-resident contractors be submitted at the time the bid is submitted, or that bid shall not be considered further. Any preference an out of state bidder would have in his home state shall be applied in a reciprocal manner.

Each bidder must deposit with his bid a Bid Bond or Certified Check in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid payable to Warren County Board of Supervisors as bid security. Prior to the start of work, the successful bidder shall furnish a Proof of Insurance, along with Performance and Payment Bonds in the amount of 100% of the contract amount awarded. Attorneys-in-fact who sign Bid Bonds or Payment Bonds and Performance Bonds must file with each bond a certified and effective dated copy of their power of attorney. Bidders shall also submit a current financial statement if requested by Warren County Board of Supervisors.

Specifications and instructions are on file and open to public inspection at the office of the Warren County Purchasing Department, 913 Jackson Street, Vicksburg MS. Bid documents will contain instructions for bidding by both sealed envelope and electronic means. Bidders are cautioned to read all instructions carefully.

The Warren County Board of Supervisors reserves the right to determine responsible bidders, responsive bids, the lowest and best bid, reject any and all bids, award to the bidder believed most advantageous to Warren County, and to waive any informalities in the bids or bidding process.

This notice is published pursuant to an order of the Warren County Board of Supervisors dated the 21th day of November 2022.

Warren County Board of Supervisors
By: Victoria Bell, Purchasing Agent

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