

BOROUGH OF NORTH PLAINFIELD
SOMERSET COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
GROVE STREET SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS
CONTRACT NO. 2015-01

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Borough of North Plainfield (hereinafter called the "Owner") for:

GROVE STREET SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS

CONTRACT NO. 2015-01

Sealed bids for the above named Contract, which includes the improvement and abandonment of the existing sanitary sewer located within the right-of-way of Grove Street, adjacent to the Stony Brook Elementary School (Block 104.00 – Lot 1.01), within the Borough of North Plainfield, Somerset County, New Jersey ("Owner"), will be received at the Clerk's Office within Borough Hall, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New Jersey 07060 on **Wednesday, June 10, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.** prevailing time, at which time they will be publicly unsealed and the contents publicly announced.

The work for the Base Bid includes the furnishing of all labor, materials and equipment necessary to complete the work as shown on the Drawings and as described in the Specifications. The work consists of the abandonment of approximately 170-linear feet of 15-inch VCP, 75-linear feet of 24-inch DIP, and 3 manholes as well as the installation of approximately 266-linear feet of 8-inch PVC, 96-linear feet of DIP, 82-linear feet of PVC through a horizontal directional drill, and four new manholes. Additional work under the Base Bid includes the replacement of asphalt, sidewalk and curb disturbed within the project limits. The Base Bid work is located on Grove Street adjacent to Greenbrook Road. The work under the contract shall be completed within sixty (60) consecutive calendar days of the Contractor's receipt of written Notice to Proceed.

If sufficient funding is available, the Borough may also elect to award the Supplemental Bid. The work for the Supplemental Bid includes furnishing of all labor, materials and equipment necessary for the full-width milling and permanent pavement overlaying in addition to the reduction in Base Bid Pavement Replacement quantities in accordance with the Technical Specifications enclosed herein. Should the Borough elect to award the Supplemental Bid, an additional 15-consecutive calendar days will be provided to complete the work in addition to any other authorized work.

No bid will be received unless in writing on the forms furnished, and unless accompanied by bid security in the form of a bid bond, cashier's check, or a certified check made payable to the Borough of North Plainfield in an amount equal to 10% of the amount of the total bid, but not exceeding \$20,000.

The bid shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Surety on the form included in the Contract Documents, from a surety company licensed to do business in the State of New Jersey, which shall represent that the surety company will provide the Contractor with the required bonds in the sums required in the Contract Documents and in a form satisfactory to the Owner's Attorney and in compliance with the requirements of law.

Bidders must use the prepared bid form which is contained in the Contract Documents. Each individual proposal must be separately enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed to the Borough of North Plainfield Clerk, Borough of North Plainfield Municipal Building, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New

Jersey 07060 marked on the outside with the number of the contract(s) and name of the project being bid on.

No bids will be received after the time and date specified, and no bids will be received by mail. Bids shall be received by courier service (date and time recorded) or shall be hand delivered. The Owner shall award the Contract or reject all bids within 60 days of bid opening, except that the bids of any bidders who consent thereto may, at the request of the Owner, be held for consideration for such longer period as may be agreed.

The Owner will evaluate bids and any award will be made to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-4. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive minor informalities or irregularities in bids received.

The qualification and reclassification of bidders will be subject to the statutory provisions contained in N.J.S.A. 40A:11-25 to 32 ("Local Public Contract Law").

All bid security except the security of the three apparent lowest responsible bidders shall be returned, unless otherwise requested by the bidder, within ten (10) days after the opening of the bids, Sundays and holidays excepted, and the bids of the bidders whose bid security is returned shall be considered withdrawn.

Each bidder must submit with his bid a signed certificate stating that he owns, leases or controls all the necessary equipment required to accomplish the work shown and described in the Contract Documents. Should the bidder not be the actual owner or leasee of such equipment, his certificate shall state the source from which the equipment will be obtained and, in addition, shall be accompanied by a signed certificate from the owner or person in control of the equipment definitely granting to the bidder the control of the equipment required during such time as may be necessary for the completion of that portion of the Contract for which it is necessary. The bidder shall comply with the documentation requirements set forth in the Article of the Information for Bidders, entitled, "Bidder Submissions".

The successful bidder will be required to submit bonds and proof of insurance on or before execution of their respective Contracts as explained in the Contract Documents.

Bidders are required to comply with all relevant Federal and State Statutes, Rules and Regulations including but not limited to the applicable provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 USC 2000d-2000D-4A), the discrimination and affirmative action provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 through 10:2-4, the New Jersey Law against Discrimination, N.J.S.A. 10:5-1, et seq., the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto, the State requirement for bidders to supply statements of ownership (N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2) and the State requirement for submission of the names and addresses of certain subcontractors (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-16).

The Contract Documents may be examined and obtained at the Office of the Engineer, Hatch Mott MacDonald, 3, Paragon Way, Freehold, New Jersey, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. or at the Borough Clerk's office, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New Jersey, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. The Contract Documents may be purchased by prospective bidder upon payment of a fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each set of full-sized drawings with specifications. Payment must be made by business check and shall be made out to Hatch Mott MacDonald. If requested by a prospective bidder, one complete set of the Contract Documents will be sent as follows:

- By overnight courier (US Postal Service, FedEx, UPS, Airborne Express, etc.) upon receipt of the cost of the Contract Documents plus fifty dollars (\$50.00) for handling and the

bidder's bill-to account number;

or

- By overnight courier (US Postal Service, FedEx, UPS, Airborne Express, etc.) upon receipt of the cost of Contract Documents plus seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) for shipping and handling.

If the Contract is awarded, no refunds will be given. If for any reason the Contract is not awarded, refunds will be made to bidders pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-24(b) when the Contract Documents are returned in reasonable condition within 90 days of notice that the Contract has not been awarded.

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975 c. 127, NJAC 17:27.

Each Bidder must submit with his bid an "Ownership Disclosure Statement" and "Non-Collusion Affidavit" on the forms included in the Contract Documents.

Bidders and their subcontractors of any tier must comply with all applicable provisions of the Public Works Contractor Registration Act, P.L. 1999, c. 238 (N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.48) and the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act (N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25).

Pursuant to P.L. 2004, c.57 (N.J.S.A. 52:32-44) effective September 1, 2004, all business organizations that conduct business with a New Jersey government agency are required to be registered with the State of New Jersey. Bidders and their subcontractors must submit proof that at the time of the Bid they are registered with the New Jersey Department of Treasury, Division of Revenue by submitting a copy of their Business Registration Certificate prior to Contract award.

It is the purpose of this Notice to Bidders to summarize some of the more important provisions of the Contract Documents. Prospective bidders are cautioned not to rely solely on this summary, but to read the Contract Documents in their entirety.

By Order of the Borough of North Plainfield

Michael Giordano, Jr., Mayor