

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

CITY OF ELMHURST, ILLINOIS

1. Time and Place of Opening Bids. Sealed proposals for the construction of the Non-Potable Water, Natural Gas, Fiber Optic, and Electric Utility Installations WPCLP Loan No. L174450 for the City of Elmhurst, DuPage and Cook Counties, Illinois, will be received at the Elmhurst City Hall at 209 N. York Street, Elmhurst, Illinois 60126 until 10:00A.M, Tuesday, February 27, 2018, and at that time will be publicly opened and unit price bid totals read aloud.

Sealed envelopes or packages containing bids shall be addressed to "The Office of the City Clerk, Elmhurst City Hall, 209 N. York Street, Elmhurst, Illinois 60126", and shall be marked "Sealed Bid" and "Non-Potable Water, Natural Gas, Fiber Optic, and Electric Utility Installations WPCLP Loan No. L174450".

2. Description of Work. The proposed construction consists of approximately 5,300 lineal feet of 8-inch and 6-inch non-potable water mains with 15 yard hydrants and 13 valves and boxes; a non-potable water supply pumping station; a Non-Potable Water building with filters and pumps; 2,000 lineal feet of 8-inch and 6-inch potable water mains with 6 fire hydrants, 9 valves and boxes; a potable water flow meter and vault; 1,500 lineal feet of 4-inch and 2-inch natural gas mains with 8 valves and boxes; 3,900 lineal feet of 2-inch PVC fiber optic conduit with 5,900 lineal feet of fiber optic cable; 1,200 feet of 4-inch PVC electrical conduit and 14,300 lineal feet of 3½-inch and 3-inch PVC electrical conduit in concrete encased duct banks; 4,000 lineal feet of 3-inch underground electrical conduit; 4 electrical vaults; an Electrical Building; utility service connections between the utility mains and various buildings; 10,500 lineal feet of vacuum excavated trenches for S.U.E. locates; 10,600 square yards of pavement reconstruction, including miscellaneous curb and gutter and sidewalk removal and replacement; process and control integration; a communications system with antennas and radios; 41 hose reels and 2,600 lineal feet of hose; and other miscellaneous items of work.

3. Information for Bidders. Any contract or contracts awarded under this invitation for bids are expected to be funded in part by a loan from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA). Neither the State of Illinois nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees is or will be a party to this invitation for bids or any resulting contract. The procurement will be subject to regulations contained in the Procedures for Issuing Loans from the Water Pollution Control Loan Program (35 IAC Part 365), the Davis-Bacon Act (40 USC 276a through 276a-5) as defined by the United States Department of Labor, the Employment of Illinois Workers on Public Works Act (30 ILCS 570), and the "Use of American Iron and Steel" requirements as contained in Section 608 of the Water Resources Reform and Development Act. This procurement is also subject to the loan recipient's policy regarding the increased use of disadvantaged business enterprises. The loan recipient's policy requires all bidders to undertake specified affirmative efforts at least sixteen (16) days prior to bid opening. The policy is contained in the specifications.

Bidders are also required to comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11246, as amended. The requirements for Bidders and Contractors under this order are explained in 41 CFR 60-4.

All pertinent documents may be **examined** at the City Hall at 209 N. York Street, Elmhurst, Illinois 60126 or on the internet at www.bhfxplanroom.com.

Copies of the Bidding Documents may be **obtained** from BHFX Digital Imaging, www.bhfxplanroom.com, upon a non-refundable payment of \$200.00 per set. **Documents can only be purchased through BHFX Digital Imaging.**

Contractor(s) shall pay prevailing wages at rates not less than those under Davis-Bacon Wage Act Provisions as determined by U.S. Department of Labor to all laborers, workmen and mechanics performing work under this contract.

If at the time the Agreement for this Project is executed, or if during the term of the Agreement, there is excessive unemployment in Illinois as defined in the Employment of Illinois Workers on Public Works Act, 30 ILCS 570/0.01 et seq., as two consecutive months of unemployment exceeding 5%, the Bidder agrees to employ Illinois laborers in accordance with the "Employment of Illinois Workers on Public Works Act". An "Illinois laborer" is defined as any person who has resided in Illinois for at least thirty (30) days and intends to become or remain an Illinois resident.

The City of Elmhurst is exempt from the Illinois State, municipal or county Retailers Occupation Tax, Service Occupation Tax, Use Tax, and Service Use Tax as described in Illinois Compiled Statute Chapter 35. Bid prices shall not include the cost of such taxes.

All Bids must be accompanied by a Bidder's bond, certified check, bank cashier's check or bank draft payable to the City of Elmhurst for five percent (5%) of the total amount of the Bid as provided in the Bidder Instructions.

The proposals guaranty checks of all, except the two lowest responsible Bidders, will be returned after the Proposals have been checked and tabulated. The proposal guaranty checks of the two lowest responsible Bidders will be returned after the Contract and the Contract Bond of the successful Bidder have been properly executed and approved. Bid Bonds will not be returned.

A **mandatory** Pre-Bid Conference of all prospective Bidders and/or their representatives will be held at the City of Elmhurst Public Works Facility, Lunchroom/Cafeteria, 985 South Riverside Drive, Elmhurst, Illinois 60126 on Tuesday, January 30th, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. Bidders are **required** to attend and participate in the conference. An optional site visit to the Water Reclamation Facility located at 625 South Route 83, Elmhurst, Illinois 60126 will follow immediately after the Pre-Bid Conference.

4. Right to Reject of Bids. The City of Elmhurst reserves the right to waive technicalities and to reject any and all Proposals for any reason deemed in the best interest of the City of Elmhurst.

5. Award of Contract. Unless all bids are rejected, the Contract award will be made to the lowest responsive responsible Bidder. In determining who the lowest responsive responsible Bidder is, the City of Elmhurst will consider all factors, which it, in its discretion, deems relevant. Bidders who are awarded a Contract shall be required to provide a Labor and Material Payment Bond and a Performance Bond, each in the total amount of the Contract sum upon execution of the Contract.

Dated at Elmhurst, Illinois this 8th day of January, 2018.

Steven M. Morley, Mayor

Patty Spencer, City Clerk