

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids will be received until **2:00 P.M. on WEDNESDAY, ~~SEPTEMBER 28, 2011~~ OCTOBER 12 19, 2011 NOVEMBER 2, 16 30, 2011** in the Office of the City Engineer, Public Works Department (Engineering and Architectural Services), City Hall, 100 North Andrews Avenue, 4th Floor, City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida and opened immediately thereafter in the Conference Room, for **Project 10737, Bridge Replacement (Bridge Nos. 865766 and 865767) - S.E. 15th Avenue Bridges over Marchetta River and Carlotta River – FDOT FM #230734-1-58-01.**

This project consists of Drawing File No. 4-132-29 Forty-four (44) sheets of drawings and written specifications as well as the City's Construction Standards and Specifications, 1982 Edition and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Design Standard and Standard Specification for Road and Bridge Construction, edition 2010.

In accordance with Florida State Statute 119.071(1)(b)2., bid amounts will not be announced at the time of the bid opening. All bids will become public upon the issuing of a notice of an intended decision or at the expiration of 30 days from the bid opening, which ever occurs first.

Bidding blanks may be obtained at the Office of the City Engineer. Plans and specifications are on file in the Office of the City Engineer, City of Fort Lauderdale at 100 North Andrews Avenue, 4th floor, at a **NON-REFUNDABLE cost of \$50.00 (including sales tax per set)**. Only cash or cashier's check made payable to the City of Fort Lauderdale are accepted. Plans and specifications are also available on a CD diskette at a **NON-REFUNDABLE cost of \$5.00 (including sales tax per CD)**. ~~City of Fort Lauderdale Blue Book is available for purchase for \$46.64 (including tax) at the same location.~~

The work for this project includes, but is not limited to the following:

1. Base Bid consisting in demolishing and disposing the existing bridge and portion of the existing bulkhead walls, and all incidentals necessary to complete this work.
2. Base Bid to include the construction of the new bridge: superstructure components, bridge deck expansion joints, substructure components, bulkhead wall with concrete deadman and tie rods, pile testing, approach slabs, traffic railing barriers, raising existing inlet, aluminum railings, bridge floor grooving, temporary or permanent steel sheet pile walls, expansion joints, the protection of existing structures and all incidentals necessary to complete this work.
3. Base Bid to include the reconstruction and milling and resurfacing of the roadway approaches, and all incidentals necessary to complete this work.
4. Base Bid to include the reconstruction of the landscaping and sodding along the roadway approaches, including the reconstruction of the swale trench.
5. Base Bid to include the installation, relocation and removal of the floating turbidity, and all incidentals necessary to complete this work.
6. Base Bid to include the Maintenance of Traffic as depicted on the plans.
7. Base Bid to include the reconstruction of the existing landscape and all incidentals necessary to complete this work.
8. Base Bid to include the relocation or temporary de-tensioned of the existing overhead electrical lines during construction.
9. Base Bid to include the temporary and final signing and pavement marking as depicted on the plans.
10. Base Bid to include the existing utility relocations, including the construction of temporary and final support systems and all incidentals necessary to complete this work.

Bidders' attention is invited to the following requirements which must be complied with:

1. A contractor must be currently pre-qualified in Bridge Construction by the Florida Department of Transportation as required by Florida Law (Chapter 337.14 F.S.) and Rules of the State of Florida, Department of Transportation, Chapter 14-22 on the date of the letting in order to submit a bid in excess of \$250,000.00. Any bid in excess of \$250,000.00 submitted by a contractor which is not pre-qualified in accordance with Rule Chapter 14-22 on the date of the letting shall be declared IRREGULAR and will be REJECTED.

In order for the City of Fort Lauderdale to have the information required to determine a bidder's current capacity, it is necessary that the bidder submit on the day of the letting, a Certification of Current Capacity that shall be executed under oath and be accompanied and supported by a Status of Contracts on Hand Report. These documents must be included in at least one proposal for each letting that the contractor submits bids. Failure to submit these documents may result in a determination that all bids submitted by the contractor for that letting are non-responsive or irregular and not to be considered (Florida Administrative Code Rule 14-22.006 (3)).

2. Bidders must comply with the President's Executive Order Nos. 11246 and 11375, (which prohibit discrimination in employment regarding race, color, creed, sex, or national origin) and as supplemented in Department of Labor Regulations (41 CFR Chapter 60).
3. Bidders must comply with Title VI of Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Davis-Bacon Act, (40 U.S.C. 276a to 276a-7) as supplemented by Department of Labor Regulations (29 CFR Part 5).
4. Bidders must comply with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (18 U.S.C. 874) as supplemented in Department of Labor Regulations (29 CFR Part 3).
5. Bidders must comply with Sections 103 & 107 of the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S. C. 327-330) as supplemented by Department of Labor Regulations (29 CFR Part 5).
6. Bidders must certify that they do not, and will not, maintain or provide for their employees any facilities that are segregated on the basis of race, creed, color or national origin.
7. Bidders must comply with the goals for minority participation in the construction industry (41 CFR Part 60-4) which establishes goals for the use of minorities by Contractors on this and all other construction work in the Fort Lauderdale area (both Federal and non-Federal). The Contractor commits itself and all sub-contractors to these goals by submitting a properly signed bid and the appropriate information from Part III of Appendix One (Labor Provisions for Contracts).

It is the policy of the City of Fort Lauderdale that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) as defined in 49 CFR Part 26, shall have the maximum opportunity to participate in the performance of contracts and sub-contracts financed in whole or in part by federal fund. In this regard, Contractor and consultants shall take all necessary and reasonable steps in accordance with 49 CFR Part 26 to ensure that Disadvantaged Business Enterprises have the maximum opportunity to compete for and perform contracts. Contractors/consultants and their subcontractors/subconsultants shall not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the award and performance of City of Fort Lauderdale contracts.

The Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program is required under the Department of Transportation (DOT) DBE Rule 49 CFR Part 26.

The City of Fort Lauderdale's overall Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program goal is twenty percent (20%) for this project. The 20% overall goal is recommended through 17% race/gender-conscious measures and 3% race/gender neutral measures.

8. Bidders must submit their proposed DBE Participation schedules with their proposals. See Proposal and Appendix of Bid Documents.
9. Bidders must comply with applicable standards and requirements issued under Section 306 of the Clean Air Act (42 USC 1857[h]), Section 508 of the Clean Air Act (33 USC 1368), Executive Order 11738, and environmental protection regulations (40 CFR Part 15).
10. The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Design Standard and Specification for Road and Bridge Construction, edition 2010.

It will be the sole responsibility of the bidder to clearly mark bid as such, and ensure that his bid reaches the City prior to the bid opening date and time listed.

~~The bidder shall familiarize themselves with the Liquidated Damages, CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION AND SCHEDULE, CONTRACT AND PROJECT COMPLETION TIME sections contained within the PROJECT SUMMARY Section 011000.~~

No work will commence until the appropriate permit(s) are obtained. City reserves the right to delete all or part of the work from the bid documents. The Contractor's price for the work shall be guaranteed for a minimum of 90 calendar days from the date of the bid opening.

The award of the contract will be to the lowest responsive/responsible bidder.

A certified check, cashier's check, bank officer's check or bid bond for five percent (5%) of the amount bid, made payable to the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, shall accompany each proposal.

The City of Fort Lauderdale reserves the right to waive any informality in any bid and to reject any or all bids.

Information on bid results and projects currently out to bid can be obtained on the City's website – www.fortlauderdale.gov/engineering/bids.htm. For general inquiries - please call (954) 828-5772.

Jonda K. Joseph
City Clerk