

## **NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

### **IOWA HIGHWAY 163 TURN LANES ADDITION MARION COUNTY, IOWA**

#### **IOWA RISE PROJECT NO: RC-C063(144)—9A-63**

Time and Place for Filing Sealed Proposals. Sealed bids for the work comprising the improvements as stated below must be received before **10:00 A.M. on February 23, 2023**, at the Office of the Marion County Engineer, 402 Willetts Drive, Knoxville, Iowa 50138.

Time and Place Sealed Proposals Will be Opened and Considered. Sealed proposals will be opened and bids tabulated at 10:00 A.M. on February 23, 2023, at the Office of the Marion County Engineer, 402 Willetts Drive, Knoxville, Iowa 50138, for consideration by The Marion County, Iowa, Board of Supervisors at their meeting at 9:00 A.M. on February 28, 2023, at 3014 E Main Street, Knoxville, Iowa 50138. The Marion County, Iowa, Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Time for Commencement and Completion of Work. Work on the project shall be fully completed and ready for final payment within **30 working days** from written “Notice to Proceed”. The “Notice to Proceed” shall be issued no later than July 31, 2023.

Time and Place for Prebid Conference. A Prebid Conference will be held at 10:00 A.M. on February 13, 2023 at Garden & Associates, 1701 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue East, Oskaloosa, Iowa 52577.

Bid Security. Each bidder shall accompany its bid with bid security as security that the successful bidder will enter into a contract for the work bid upon and will furnish after the award of contract a corporate surety bond, in form acceptable to Marion County, for the faithful performance of the contract, in an amount equal to one hundred percent of the amount of the contract. The bidder’s security shall be in the amount fixed in the Instruction to Bidders and shall be in the form of a cashier’s check, a certified check, or a bank money order drawn on a FDIC insured bank in Iowa or on a FDIC insured bank chartered under the laws of the United States; or a certified share draft drawn on a credit union in Iowa or chartered under the laws of the United States; or a bid bond on the form provided in the contract documents with corporate surety satisfactory to Marion County. The bid shall contain no condition except as provided in the specifications.

Contract Documents. Bid forms, plans and specifications may be obtained from Garden & Associates, Ltd., P.O. Box 451, 1701 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue East, Suite 1, Oskaloosa, IA 52577 upon deposit of **\$50.00**. A refund of **\$50.00** for plans and specifications will be made to those returning them in good condition within fourteen (14) days after the date of award. Plans and Specifications will also be on file for viewing at the Office of the Marion County Engineer, 402 Willetts Drive, Knoxville, Iowa 50138.

**Electronic project documents** are available at no cost at [www.gardenassociates.net](http://www.gardenassociates.net) by clicking on the “Bid Documents” tab and choosing “IOWA HIGHWAY 163 – TURN LANES ADDITION – MARION COUNTY, IOWA” on the left side of the page. Project information, Engineer’s cost opinion and plan holder information is also available at this website. Plan downloads require the user to register for a free membership at QuestCDN.com. The download delivery fee is \$0.00.

Preference of Products and Labor. Preference shall be given to domestic construction materials by the contractor, subcontractors, materialmen, and suppliers in performance of the contract and, further, by virtue of statutory authority, preference will be given to products and provisions grown and coal produced within the State of Iowa, and to Iowa domestic labor, to the extent lawfully required under Iowa statutes.

Bidder Status. In accordance with Iowa statutes, a resident bidder shall be allowed a preference as against a nonresident bidder from a state or foreign country if that state or foreign country gives or requires any preference to bidders from that state or foreign country, including but not limited to any preference to bidders, the imposition of any type of labor force preference, or any other form of preferential treatment to bidders or laborers from that state or foreign country. The preference allowed shall be equal to the preference given or required by the state or foreign country in which the nonresident bidder is a resident. In the instance of a resident labor force preference, a nonresident bidder shall apply the same resident labor force preference to a public improvement in this state as would be required in the construction of a public improvement by the state or foreign country in which the nonresident bidder is a resident.

General Nature of Improvement. The work generally consists of the following:

Excavation, Class 10 - 1,027 CY; Subgrade Preparation (6" Thick) - 2,850 SY; Subbase, Modified (6" Thick) - 2,850 SY; Compaction Testing - Lump Sum; Pavement, PCC, 10" Thick, C3 or C4 - 2,290 SY; PCC Pavement Samples and Testing - Lump Sum; Removal of Driveway - 20 SY; Pavement Removal - 50 SY; Granular Shoulders, Type B - 775 TON; Painted Pavement Markings, Solvent/Waterborne - 25.6 STA; Pavement Markings Removed - 8.1 STA; Temporary Traffic Control - Lump Sum; Remove and Reinstall Existing Sign - 2 EA; Type A Sign - 14 EA; Hydraulic Seeding, Fertilizing, and Mulching - Lump Sum; Filter Sock, 9" - 500 LF; Filter Sock Removal - 500 LF; and Mobilization - Lump Sum.

Building materials, supplies, and equipment incorporated into said improvement are exempt from Iowa Department of Revenue and Finance sales tax and any applicable local option sales tax and school infrastructure local option sales tax pursuant to Iowa Code Sections: 423.3 and 423.45 and Iowa Administrative Code 701-17.33. Bidder shall not include payment of Iowa sales tax in Bid. “Jurisdiction” will provide Purchasing Agent Authorization Letter and Designated Exempt Entity Iowa Construction Sales Tax Exemption Certificate. Contractor will coordinate sales tax exempt purchases with subcontractors and material and equipment suppliers. Contractor will maintain records identifying the materials purchased sales tax exempt and will maintain records verifying the use of said materials on said improvement.

Payment to the Contractor for said improvements will be made in monthly estimates and one final payment. Monthly estimates will be equivalent to ninety-five percent (95%) of the contract value of the work completed during the preceding calendar month. Such monthly payment will in no way be construed as an act of acceptance for any part of the work partially or totally.

Final payment to the Contractor will be made no earlier than thirty (30) days from and after final acceptance of the work by the "Jurisdiction". Before final payment is made, the Contractor shall file with the "Jurisdiction" lien waivers from material suppliers and/or subcontractors showing that they were paid in full for materials supplied and/or work performed on the project.

Liquidated damages in the amount of **Eight Hundred Dollars (\$800.00)** per working day will be assessed for each day that the work shall remain uncompleted after the end of the contract period.

Successful Bidder will be required to furnish Performance, Payment and Maintenance Bond acceptable to Marion County on the form provided in the specifications in amounts equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price.

Award of the contract will be to the lowest responsible bidder submitting the lowest acceptable bid. Marion County hereby reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities and irregularities and to enter into such contract as it may deem to be for the best interest of Marion County.

This Notice is given by authority of The Marion County, Iowa, Board of Supervisors.

*By:*

Tyler Christian, P.E.

Marion County Engineer