

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
PROPOSED WATER MAIN REPLACEMENTS - 4TH, 5TH, AND CASS STREETS -
OTTUMWA WATER & HYDRO, OTTUMWA, IOWA - 2024 - Project #23-048

General Nature of Public Improvement

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Alternate 1—Copper Service Lines. This project includes construction of approximately 2,000 linear feet of 10-inch and 12-inch PVC water main by trenched and trenchless techniques and with and without casing pipe. This alternate includes construction of copper service lines with curb valves.

Alternate 2—PE Service Lines and Meter Pits. This project includes construction of approximately 2,000 linear feet of 10-inch and 12-inch PVC water main by trenched and trenchless techniques and with and without casing pipe. This alternate includes construction of PE service lines with meter pits.

Two alternate bids will be considered. Contractors may bid on one or both alternates. The contract shall be awarded to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder for Alternate 1 or Alternate 2. The Owner reserves the right to select which alternate they award the contract to after the bids have been considered and reviewed. The lowest price alternate might not be awarded the contract.

Time and Place for Filing and Opening Sealed Bids. Sealed bids for the work comprising each improvement as stated above must be filed before 1:00 P.M. on May 14, 2024, in the office of the General Manager at Ottumwa Water & Hydro, 230 Turner Drive, Ottumwa, Iowa. Sealed bids will be opened at 1:00 P.M., May 14, 2024.

Time and Place Bids Will Be Considered. Bids will be considered by the Board of Trustees during their meeting beginning at 4:00 P.M. on May 21, 2024, in the office of the General Manager at Ottumwa Water & Hydro, 230 Turner Drive, Ottumwa, Iowa.

Time for Commencement and Completion of Work. The work under the proposed Contract shall commence upon issuance of the written Notice to Proceed. The proposed water main improvements listed shall be fully completed on or before September 30, 2025. The Bidder agrees to pay as liquidated damages the sum of \$500 for each consecutive calendar day after the specified completion date that the project is not fully completed.

Bid Security. Each bidder shall accompany its bid with bid security as defined in Section 26.8 of the Code of Iowa. Bid security shall be 10% of the bid amount.

Contract Documents. Drawings and specifications governing the construction of the proposed improvements have been prepared by French-Reneker-Associates, Inc., Engineers and Surveyors, Fairfield, Iowa. The contract documents may be examined in the office of the General Manager. Electronic Contract Documents may be downloaded at www.french-reneker.com or at www.questcdn.com under login using QuestCDN #9022959 at no charge. Contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration and downloading this digital project information. Paper Contract Documents may be obtained from French-Reneker-Associates, Inc., at 1501 South Main, P.O. Box 135, Fairfield, Iowa 52556. A deposit of \$50 shall be required for each set, refundable if returned in a reusable condition within 14 days after award of the contract.

Preference for Iowa Products and Labor. 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.

Publish 13-45 days prior to Bid date.

Sales Tax. Iowa sales tax will not be paid on materials purchased for this project. Ottumwa Water & Hydro will issue a sales tax exemption certificate.

Published upon order of the Contracting Authority.

Ottumwa Water & Hydro, Iowa

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