## **NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

JURISDICTION OF CITY OF HIAWATHA IOWA, IOWA PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Qualified bidders may submit bids for the City of Hiawatha – Robins Road – Boyson Road to Clymer Road Improvements project as described in this document. The Owner of this project is the City of Hiawatha, 101 Emmons St., Hiawatha, IA 52233. The Owners' Representative on this project is City Engineer, Jon Fitch, (319) 393-1515 x528, <a href="mailto:ifitch@hiawatha-iowa.com">ifitch@hiawatha-iowa.com</a>. The Engineer for this project is Shive-Hattery, Inc., 222 Third Avenue SE, Suite 300, PO Box 1803, Cedar Rapids, IA 52401.

Sealed bids will only be received and accepted electronically through QuestCDN.com via the electronic VirtuBid online bid service. The time and date each bid is received shall be recorded. The online bid portal will be open for vBid by Wednesday, June 5, 2024. No paper bids will be accepted. All electronic bids must be submitted prior to 1:00 PM on Tuesday, June 11, 2024 via QuestCDN vBid Online Bidding. No bids can be submitted after 1:00 PM.

A virtual bid opening will be held on Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at 1:00 PM. Join the bid opening conference from your computer, tablet or smartphone at <a href="https://meet.google.com/jay-mect-kce?hs=122&authuser=1">https://meet.google.com/jay-mect-kce?hs=122&authuser=1</a>. You can also dial in using your phone: 260-638-0326 PIN: 543 645 087#

Bids will be considered by the Hiawatha City Council, City of Hiawatha, Iowa at its meeting on Wednesday, June 19, 2024 at 5:30 P.M., City Hall Council Chambers, 101 Emmons St, Hiawatha, IA. The City Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive informalities and irregularities in the form of the bid, and to enter into such contract, or contracts, as it shall deem to be in the best interest of the jurisdiction.

Work on the improvement shall be commenced immediately upon approval of the contract by the Council and be completed as stated below.

Bidding information can be downloaded at:

https://qcpi.questcdn.com/cdn/posting/?projType=all&provider=7542966&group=7542966 or at www.questcdn.com under Login using Quest CDN #9108106 for a non-refundable charge of \$0.00. A contractor may view the contract documents at no cost prior to becoming a Planholder. Contact Quest CDN.com at 952-233-1632 or <a href="info@questcdn.com">info@questcdn.com</a> for assistance in membership registration, downloading this digital project information and vBid Online Bid Submittal. To submit an vBid online bid (which is required for this project), you must download the project bid document file from QuestCDN which will add you to the plan holders list and gain you access to vBid Online Bidding. Bidders will not be charged a fee to submit a bid electronically.

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 the Public Improvement

Robins Rd – Boyson Rd to Clymer Rd Improvements City of Hiawatha, Iowa

The project generally includes removal and replacement of PCC pavement, installation of a 6-ft wide pavement median, railroad asphalt approach, intake replacement, pavement markings, signage and site restoration at the Chicago, Central and Pacific Railroad (operated by Canadian National Railroad) railroad crossing.

Engineer's Estimate of Probable Cost: \$300,000

Each bidder shall accompany its bid with bid security as defined in Iowa Code Section 26.8, 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 a form acceptable to the Jurisdiction, for the faithful performance of the contract, in an amount equal to 100% 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 or a certified check drawn on an FDIC insured bank in Iowa or on an 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 the Jurisdiction. The bid shall contain no condition except as provided in the specifications.

The City of Hiawatha, Iowa reserves the right to defer acceptance of any bid for a period of sixty (60) calendar days after receipt of bids and no bid may be withdrawn during this period.

Each successful bidder will be required to furnish a corporate surety bond in an amount equal to 100% of its contract price. Said bond shall be issued by a responsible surety approved by the City of Hiawatha, Iowa and shall guarantee the faithful performance of the contract and the terms and conditions therein contained and shall guarantee the prompt payment of all material and labor, and protect and save harmless the City of Hiawatha, Iowa from claims and damages of any kind caused by the operations of the contract and shall also guarantee the maintenance of the improvement caused by failures in materials and construction for a period of two years from and after acceptance of the contract.

The City of Hiawatha, Iowa, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for anaward.

The following contract dates shall be enforced on this project:

## Overall

Early Start: July 1, 2024 Late Start: September 3, 2024

Alloted Time: Any work requiring the use of Railroad Flaggers within 25 feet of either side of the centerline of the railroad tracks shall be limited to seven (7) working days. The contractor shall account for all fees, including flagger overtime and possible time over seven (7) working days, into their bids for

use of flaggers. The contractor will be allowed a full road closure, including work within the Railroad ROW, with designated detour for a total of twenty-one (21) calendar days upon initial closure. Any work needed to be completed outside the twenty-one (21) calendar days shall be completed under full traffic. A total of five weeks (35 calendar days) is allowed before Liquidated Damages go into effect.

Liquidated damages in the amount of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) per calendar day will be assessed for full closures beyond the twenty-one (21) calendar days alloted and Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for work not completed within the thirty-five (35) calendar days or after Monday, October 7, whichever comes first. Seeding shall be completed within the 35 days unless approved by the engineer.

The City of Hiawatha, Iowa does hereby reserve the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities, and to enter into such contract, or contracts, as it shall deem to be in the best interest of the jurisdiction.