

SECTION 00 11 13
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Time and Place for Filing Sealed Proposals

Sealed bids will be received by the City Clerk of the City of Madrid, Iowa at the Madrid City Hall at 304 S Water Street, Madrid, IA 50156, until 2:00 p.m., local time, on July 10, 2024, for the following described public improvement:

Water Transmission Main Replacement - Phase 2

Madrid, Iowa

Time and Place Sealed Proposal Will be Opened and Considered

Sealed bids will be opened by the City Clerk and bids tabulated at the above time and place. Bids will be considered by the Madrid City Council at their meeting at 6:00 p.m., local time, on July 15, 2024 at the Madrid City Hall, at which time the Council may take action on the proposals submitted or at such time as may then be fixed.

General Nature of the Public Improvement

The extent of work on this project is the furnishing of all labor, equipment, and materials for the construction of improvements in Madrid, Iowa under one contract generally described as follows:

Installation of approximately 7,900 feet of 8" water main and approximately 80 feet of 4" water main using a combination of open-trenched and trenchless methods. Also includes new fire hydrant assemblies, removal of two existing fire hydrant assemblies, new air release pit, removal of two existing air release structures, new flow meter manhole, new gate valves and miscellaneous fittings, reconnection of water services, surface restoration, hydraulic seeding, fertilizing, and mulching, and associated appurtenances as specified and indicated in the Bid Documents.

Pre-Bid Conference

A Pre-Bid Conference will not be held for this project.

Contract Documents

The kinds of materials, estimated quantities, and work to be done for the project on which bids will be received are as shown on the bid proposal for said project.

All work is to be done in strict compliance with the Plans and Specifications prepared by Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc. which have been heretofore approved by the City Council and which are now on file for public examination in the office of the City Clerk.

All bids shall be made on the forms included in the project specifications and shall be filed on or before the time specified above, in a sealed envelope addressed to the City Clerk of Madrid, Iowa, clearly stating that the envelope contains a bid on this project.

Copies of the contract documents are on file with the City of Madrid for examination by bidders. Paper copies of Bidding Forms and copies of Plans and Specifications and contract documents may be obtained from the Engineer's Office at Short Elliott Hendrickson Inc. (SEH), 5414 NW 88th Street, Suite 140, Johnston, Iowa 50131 (515-608-6000) for **\$100** per set, all of which will be refunded if returned in reusable condition within 14 days of the Award of Contract. If all documents are not returned in reusable condition and within 14 days, the deposit shall be forfeited.

Complete digital image (.pdf) copies of the Bidding Documents, Contract Documents, and Plans and Specifications are available for download at no cost at <https://www.questcdn.com>. These documents may be viewed or downloaded by entering eBidDoc™ Number **8409591** on the QuestCDN Search Projects page. For assistance and free membership registration, contact QuestCDN at 952.233.1632 or info@questcdn.com. Website registration is necessary to ensure that prospective bidders remain informed of addendum and other essential communications prior to the bid date.

Bid Security

Each Bid shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond, certified check, cashier's check, or certified credit union share draft in an amount equal to five (5) percent of the total amount of the Bid. If Bid Bond is submitted, it must be on the form provided with the Contract Documents. The certified check, cashier's check, or certified credit union share draft shall be drawn on a bank in Iowa, a bank chartered under the laws of the United States of America, or said certified share draft shall be drawn on a credit union in Iowa or chartered under the laws of the United States and payable to the Treasurer of the Owner as security that if awarded a contract, the Bidder will enter into a contract at the prices Bid and furnish the required Performance, Payment and Warranty Bond(s) each in the amount of one hundred percent of the Work, and provide a Certificate of Insurance. The certified check, cashier's check, or certified share draft may be cashed, or the Bid Bond forfeited, and the proceeds retained as liquidated damages if the Bidder fails to execute a contract or file acceptable Performance, Payment and Warranty Bond(s) or provide an acceptable Certificate of Insurance within fifteen (15) days after the acceptance of said Bid by resolution of the Owner.

No Bidder may withdraw a Bid within sixty (60) days after the date set for opening Bids.

Preference of 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.

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. Failure to submit a fully completed Bidder Status Form with the bid may result in the bid being deemed nonresponsive and rejected.

If it is determined that adherence to these Iowa statutory requirements may cause denial of federal funds which would otherwise be available for a public improvement or would otherwise be inconsistent with requirements of any federal law or regulation, the application of Iowa Code Chapters 73 and 73A shall be suspended to the extent necessary to prevent denial of the funds or to eliminate the inconsistency with federal requirements.

Sales Tax Exemption

The Bidder shall not include sales tax in the Bid. The Owner is exempt from paying sales tax and will issue a sales tax exemption certificate to the Contractor for all material purchased for incorporation into the project. Tax exemption certificates are applicable only for the specific project for which the tax exemption certificate is issued.

Commencement and Completion of Work

Work on said project shall commence within ten (10) days of a written notice to proceed. The Work will be substantially completed on or before August 29, 2025 and completed and ready for final payment in accordance with Paragraph 15.06 of the General Conditions on or before September 30, 2025.

Liquidated Damages

Liquidated damages in the amount of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) per consecutive day will be assessed for each day that the work remains uncompleted after the dates specified above for substantial completion and readiness for final payment.

Payment

Payment for the work will be made by the City in cash from such funds as may be legally available including cash on hand, proceeds from the sale and issuance of General Obligation Bonds and such other funds including the proceeds from the sale and issuance of such other bonds as may lawfully be issued as the City Council may at its sole discretion determine and provide.

Payment will be made to the contractor based on monthly estimates in amounts equal to ninety-five percent of the contract value of the work completed during the preceding calendar month and will be based upon an estimate prepared by the Contractor on the first day of the month, subject to the approval of the Engineer. Any such payment

by the City shall in no way be construed as an act of acceptance for any part of the work partially or totally completed. Final payment by the City will be made in accordance with Iowa statutes and the contract documents.

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding Requirements

Funding of this project will utilize the Iowa Economic Development Authority's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. Refer to Section 00 43 11 for Bid Attachments and Section 00 80 10 for Federal Provisions.

Section 3 clause:

- A. The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701u (Section 3). The purpose of Section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by Section 3, shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing.
- B. The parties to this contract agree to comply with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 75, which implement Section 3. As evidenced by their execution of this contract, the parties to this contract certify that they are under no contractual or other impediment that would prevent them from complying with the part 75 regulations.
- C. The contractor agrees to post copies of a notice advising workers of the Contractor's commitments under Section 3 in conspicuous places at the work site where both employees and applicants for training and employment positions can see the notice. The notice shall describe the Section 3 preference, shall set forth minimum number and job titles subject to hire, availability of apprenticeship and training positions, the qualifications for each; and the name and location of the person(s) taking applications for each of the positions; and the anticipated date the work shall begin.
- D. The contractor agrees to provide written notice of employment and contracting opportunities to all known Section 3 Workers and Section 3 Businesses.
- E. The contractor agrees to employ, to the greatest extent feasible, Section 3 workers or provide written justification to the recipient that is consistent with 24 CFR Part 75, describing why it was unable to meet minimum numerical Section 3 Worker hours goals, despite its efforts to comply with the provisions of this clause.
- F. The contractor agrees to maintain records documenting Section 3 Workers that were hired to work on previous Section 3 covered projects or activities that were retained by the contractor for subsequent Section 3 covered projects or activities.
- G. The contractor agrees to post contract and job opportunities to the Opportunity Portal and will check the Business Registry for businesses located in the project area.
- H. The contractor agrees to include compliance with Section 3 requirements in every subcontract for Section 3 projects as defined in 24 CFR part 75, and agrees to take appropriate action, as provided in an applicable provision of the subcontract upon a finding that the subcontractor is in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 75. The contractor will not subcontract with any subcontractor where the contractor has notice or knowledge that the subcontractor has been found in violation of the regulations in 24 CFR part 75.
- I. The contractor will certify that any vacant employment positions, including training positions, that are filled (1) after the contractor is selected but before the contract is executed, and (2) with persons other than those to whom the regulations of 24 CFR part 75 require employment opportunities to be directed, were not filled to circumvent the contractor's obligations under 24 CFR part 75.
- J. The contractor will certify that they have followed prioritization of effort in 24 CFR part 75.19 for all employment and training opportunities. The contractor will further certify that it meets or exceeds the applicable Section 3 benchmarks, defined in 24 CFR Part 75.23, and if not, shall describe in detail the qualitative efforts it has taken to pursue low- and very low-income persons for economic opportunities.
- K. Noncompliance with HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 75 may result in sanctions, termination of this contract for default, and debarment or suspension from future HUD assisted contracts.

Section 3 Business Concerns are encouraged to respond to this proposal. A Section 3 Business Concern is one that satisfies one of the following requirements:

1. It is at least 51 percent owned and controlled by low- or very low-income persons;
2. Over 75 percent of the labor hours performed for the business over the prior three-month period are performed by Section 3 Workers*; or
3. It is a business at least 51 percent owned and controlled by current public housing residents or residents who currently live in Section 8-assisted housing.

* A Section 3 Worker is defined as any worker who currently fits or when hired within the past five years fit at least one of the following categories, as documented:

1. The worker's income for the previous or annualized calendar year is below the applicable income limit established by HUD;
2. The worker is employed by a Section 3 business concern; or
3. The worker is a YouthBuild participant.

Businesses that believe they meet the Section 3 criteria are encouraged to register as a Section 3 Business through HUD's website: <https://portalapps.hud.gov/Sec3BusReg/BRegistry/RegisterBusiness>

State Revolving Fund (SRF) Funding Requirements

Funding of this project will utilize the State of Iowa's State Revolving Fund (SRF). Refer to Section 00 43 13 for Bid Attachments and Section 00 80 10 for Federal Regulations.

Bid Informalities

The City reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids and to waive any and/or all technicalities and/or all irregularities.

This notice is given by authority of the City of Madrid, Iowa.

By Thomas Brown
(Mayor)

ATTEST: Ashley Hansen
(City Clerk)

Posted to the Iowa League of Cities and the Master Builders of Iowa websites on June 18, 2024.

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