### **NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

# CITY OF ALTOONA, IOWA WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS 2024 ADVENTURELAND DRIVE WATER TRANSMISSION MAIN

### **General Notice**

The City of Altoona (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:

Water Systems Improvements 2024, Adventureland Drive Water Transmission Main DWSRF No. FS-77-25-DWSRF-014 MEC #2023000063-004

Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at the Office of the City Clerk located at Altoona City Hall, 900 Venbury Dr. Suite A, Altoona, IA 50009 until 2:00 P.M. on December 9, 2025. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read. Bids received after the deadline for submission of bids as stated herein shall not be considered and shall be returned to the late bidder unopened.

The Project, of which the Work under the Contract Documents is a part, is generally described as follows:

Furnishing all labor, equipment, and materials for the construction of Water System Improvements 2024, Adventureland Drive Water Transmission Main project, which consists of:

- 1. Installation of approximately 336 linear feet of new 16-inch diameter restrained joint water main.
- 2. Installation of approximately 290 linear feet of new 16-inch diameter restrained joint water main by trenchless construction.
- 3. Water main appurtenances including new valves, fittings, fire hydrants, connections to existing water mains, and removal of existing water main.
- 4. Pavement removal and replacement, including 23 square yards of new shared use path, and related appurtenances.
- 5. Temporary traffic control.
- 6. Erosion and sediment control, including hydraulic seeding, linear erosion control, and SWPPP management.
- 7. Trench foundation, unsuitable backfill replacement, trench compaction testing, topsoil respread and mobilization.
- 8. All other work as required by the Contract Documents.

The Work shall be performed east of Adventureland Drive, along future Adventureland Drive, between 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE and NE 80<sup>th</sup> Street, south of Interstate 80 on the northeast side of Altoona, IA.

The Owner whose principal office is in the City of Altoona, Iowa, will meet in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 900 Venbury Dr. Suite A, in said City, on the 15th day of December, 2025, at 6:30 P.M., at which time and place a hearing will be held on the proposed plans and specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost for the Project. Any interested party may appear to be heard.

Sealed bids will be opened and tabulated at 2:00 P.M., on December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025, in the Council Chambers at Altoona City Hall, 900 Venbury Dr. Suite A, Altoona, IA. The bids will be considered by the City Council

during their meeting beginning at 6:30 P.M., on December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025, in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

All bids must be filed in the office of the City Clerk before the time herein set on forms furnished by the Owner and must be enclosed in a separate sealed envelope and plainly identified. Each bid shall be accompanied by bid security as defined in Iowa Code Section 26.8, and as specified in the Bidding Documents, as security that if awarded a contract, the bidder will enter into a contract at the prices bid and furnish the required performance and payment bonds and Certificate of Insurance.

The successful Bidder will be required to furnish Performance and Payment Bonds acceptable to the Owner on forms provided in the specifications in amounts equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price.

Work on the improvement shall commence within 30 days after the Effective Date of the Contract, or on the day indicated in the Notice to Proceed. The Notice to Proceed will be issued upon approval of the contract and bonds by the City Council. The work shall be substantially completed on or before September 30, 2026 and ready for final payment in accordance with Paragraph 15.06 of the General Conditions on or before October 31, 2026. Failure to meet either the Substantial Completion date or Final Completion date will result in the assessment of liquidated damages in the amount of \$1,500.00 per calendar day.

To the extent allowed by Federal law and regulation, and to the extent required by Iowa law, 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 Proposal may result in the Proposal being deemed nonresponsive and rejected.

The Owner hereby reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities and irregularities, and to enter into such contract or contracts as it shall deem to be in the best interest of the City.

# **Obtaining the Bidding Documents**

Information and Bidding Documents for the Project can be found at the following designated website:

www.questcdn.com (Quest CDN #9909638)

Bidding Documents may be downloaded from the designated website. Prospective Bidders are urged to register with the designated website as a plan holder, even if Bidding Documents are obtained from a plan room or source other than the designated website in either electronic or paper format. The designated website will be updated periodically with addenda, lists of registered plan holders, reports, and other information relevant to submitting a Bid for the Project. All official notifications, addenda, and other Bidding Documents will be offered only through the designated website. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the designated website.

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is:

McClure Engineering Company 1360 NW 121<sup>st</sup> Street Clive, IA 50325

Prospective Bidders may obtain or examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office on Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, and may obtain copies of the Bidding Documents from the Issuing Office as described below. Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available from the Issuing Office. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the Issuing Office.

Printed copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Issuing Office by paying a deposit of \$50 for each set. Bidders who return full sets of the Bidding Documents in reusable condition within 10 days after receipt of Bids will receive a full refund. Non-Bidders, and Bidders who obtain more than one set of the Bidding Documents, will receive a refund of half the initial deposit for documents returned in reusable condition within the time limit indicated above. Make deposit checks for Bidding Documents payable to McClure Engineering Company.

## **Pre-bid Conference**

A pre-bid conference for the Project will not be held. Questions regarding the Project can be submitted in writing to the Engineer.

### **American Iron and Steel**

In order to fulfill the requirements, the assistance recipient must in good faith design the project and solicit bids for construction with U.S.-made iron and steel. The following information will be included in any contracts resulting from this request for bids:

The Contractor acknowledges to and for the benefit of the City of Altoona, Iowa ("Purchaser") and the State of Iowa (the "State") that it understands the goods and services under this Agreement are being funded with monies made available by the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund and such laws contains provisions commonly known as "American Iron and Steel;" that requires all of the iron and steel products used in this project to be produced in the United States ("American Iron and Steel Requirement") including iron and steel products provided by the Contractor pursuant to this Agreement.

The Contractor hereby represents and warrants to and for the benefit of the Purchaser and the State that (a) the Contractor has reviewed and understands the American Iron and Steel Requirement, (b) all of the iron and steel products used in the project will be and/or have been produced in the United States in a manner that complies with the American Iron and Steel Requirement, unless a waiver of the requirement is approved, and (c) the Contractor will provide any further verified information, certification or assurance of compliance with this paragraph, or information necessary to support a waiver of the American Iron and Steel Requirement, as may be requested by the Purchaser or the State.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, any failure to comply with this paragraph by the Contractor shall permit the Purchaser or State to recover as damages against the Contractor any loss, expense, or cost (including without limitation attorney's fees) incurred by the Purchaser or State resulting from any such failure (including without limitation any impairment or loss of funding, whether in whole or in part, from the State or any damages owed to the State by the Purchaser). While the Contractor has no direct contractual privity with the State, as a lender to the Purchaser for the funding of its project, the Purchaser and the Contractor agree that the State is a third-party beneficiary and neither this paragraph (nor any other provision of this Agreement necessary to give this paragraph force or effect) shall be amended or waived without the prior written consent of the State.

# **Davis-Bacon Prevailing Wages**

The Contractor shall conform to all requirements of the Federal Labor Standards Provisions (including Davis-Bacon prevailing wage rates) and Wage Decision No. IA20250081 dated January 3, 2025, attached to the Supplementary Conditions in the Specifications.

Any bidder or equipment supplier whose firm or affiliate is listed on the U.S. General Services Administration Excluded Parties List System web site at <a href="http://www.epls.gov/">http://www.epls.gov/</a> will be prohibited from the bidding process. Anyone submitting a bid who is listed on this web site will be determined to be a non-responsive bidder in accordance with 40 CFR Part 31.

A Contractor's Debarment and Suspension/Certification is contained in the Specifications; however, this Certification should not preclude any interested party from ascertaining whether the certifying person is actually on the U.S. General Services Administration Excluded Parties List System.

## **Instructions to Bidders**

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents.

# This Advertisement is issued by:

Owner: City of Altoona By: Randy Pierce

Title: City Clerk / City Administrator

Date: November 19, 2025