

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND TO BIDDERS
CITY OF AMES, IOWA
RESOURCE RECOVERY AND RECYCLING CAMPUS PROJECT
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Ames, Iowa, will meet at the Council Chambers in the City Hall, 515 Clark Avenue, Ames, Iowa, at 6:00 p.m. on March 10, 2026, at which time and place the City Council will hear objections to the proposed plans, specifications, and form of contract for said Resource Recovery and Recycling Campus Project. City of Ames Contract No. 2026-068.

Sealed bids will be received by the City Council for said project in accordance with the plans and specifications now on file in the City Clerk's office and said bids shall be filed in the **City Clerk's office prior to 2:00 p.m. local time** according to the clock in the reception area of the City Clerk's office, **on the 3rd day of March 2026**, at which time bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in Council Chambers in City Hall, 515 Clark Avenue, Ames, Iowa. All 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. Bidders assume all risk associated with delivery of bids to the office of the City Clerk prior to the specified time deadline.

The City Manager shall announce the results of the bidding, together with his recommendations thereon, to the Council at its meeting to be held at 6:00 p.m. local time on March 10, 2026.

A pre-bid meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. local time on February 9, 2026. Commencing in the Council Chambers in City Hall, 515 Clark Avenue, Ames, IA 50010. This meeting will include a site inspection. It is the responsibility of potential bidders to obtain the information from this meeting and site inspection; no written report will be provided.

The plans and specifications are now on file in the office of the City Clerk. Bidding documents for the above project are also available at the office of the Printer, Beeline and Blue, 2507 Ingersoll Ave, Des Moines, IA 50312, by calling 515-244-1611 or through their online Plan Room at <https://www.beelineplanroom.com/> from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders. One set of bidding documents for the above project is available without charge to prospective bidders, subcontractor bidders, suppliers, and contractor plan room services. If shipping is required, there will be a non-refundable fee required for each set shipped. The cost shall be determined by Beeline and Blue based on the size of the bidding documents. Payments for shipping shall be made to Beeline and Blue. Members of contractor associations such as Associated Builders and Contractors of Iowa and Master Builders of Iowa may obtain Bidding Documents by use of the non-cash security method adopted by their association.

This project is located at 220 Freel Drive, Ames, IA 50010. The Project includes the construction of a new one story 35,000 square foot process facility with two-story office buildout. Construction includes a clad pre-engineered metal building (PEMB) with areas of cast in place concrete interior walls of bearing with partial steel structural framing. Work includes interior wood and hollow metal doors, exterior aluminum storefront framing, entrances, windows, overhead doors, steel stud and gypsum board partitions and soffits, carpet and polished flooring, misc. accessories, toilet partitions, and finish carpentry, cabinetry and process equipment. Fire suppression systems included a two-zone system including both dry and wet types. Mechanical systems include HVAC distribution and equipment, controls, plumbing systems, and site utility

connections. Electrical systems include lighting, electrical distribution, switch gear and connection to the public utilities along with communications/data, security and fire alarm systems. Process integration systems include shredder, eddy current separator (ESC), drum magnets, conveyors, catwalks and jib cranes.

Separate lump sum bids will be received for:

Bid Package No. 01-1 - General Construction Work

Bid Package No. 03-1 - Concrete and Steel Work

Bid Package No. 09-1 - Gypsum Board Assembly Work

Bid Package No. 14-1- Elevator Lift Work

Bid Package No. 21-1 - Fire Suppression Systems Work

Bid Package No. 22-1 - Plumbing & HVAC Work

Bid Package No. 26-1 - Electrical, Communications, Electrical Safety & Security Work

Bid Package No. 31-1 - Demolition & Earthwork Work

Bid Package No. 32-1 - Paving & Sidewalk Work

Bid Package No. 33-1 - Site Utility Work

Bid Package No. 40-1 – Millwright Process Integration Work

All bids shall be submitted to said City Clerk on or before the time set herein for the bid opening. Bids shall be made on the Bid Form furnished by the City of Ames, in a sealed and plainly marked envelope indicating it is a bid in response to this notice.

Each bid shall include the bid security as defined in Code of Iowa Section 26.8 and as specified in the Instructions to Bidders.

The City of Ames reserves the right to defer acceptance of any bid for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days after receipt of bids, and no bid may be withdrawn during this period.

Each successful bidder shall be required to furnish payment and performance bonds in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of its contract price. Said bonds to be issued by a responsible surety approved by the City Council 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 from claims and damages of any kind caused by the operations of the contract and shall also guarantee the maintenance of the improvement in good repair for a period of one (1) year from and after the substantial completion and acceptance by the City.

Work on this contract shall commence as soon as possible after award and approval of contract and performance bond and shall be substantially complete no later than May 1, 2027, with final completion June 1, 2027. Should the Bid Package contractors fail to complete the work by the dates designated for specific milestone dates in the Incentive/Liquidated Damages table, liquidated damages of \$2,500 per calendar day will be assessed for work not completed within the designated contract milestone and completion dates for substantial completion. Failure of contractors to obtain final completion by the dates designated by Bid Package in the Incentive/Liquidated Damages table, liquidated damages of \$1,500 per calendar day will be assessed for work not completed and ready for final payment.

In addition, no excuse incentive pay is available for early completion to the following Bid Packages: 03-1 Concrete and Structural in the amount of \$50,000 for Pre-Engineered metal building shell enclosure, transfer floor and pits poured no later than November 2, 2026; 26-1 Electrical, Communications and Electrical Safety and Security Work in the amount of \$20,000 for substantial completion date of April 2, 2027; and 40-1 Process Integration Work in the amount of \$30,000 for substantial completion of date of April 2, 2027.

The City 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 City.

As required by Iowa Administrative Code 875, Chapter 156, the bidder shall complete and submit the Bidder Status Form with its bid and certify its state or country of domicile by completing the address section of the Bid Form.

By virtue of statutory authority, preference will be given to products and provision grown and coal produced within the State of Iowa, and to Iowa labor, to the extent lawfully required under Iowa statutes.

This notice is given by order of the City Council of the City of Ames, Iowa.

John A. Haila, Mayor

Renee Hall, City Clerk