

**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**  
**CITY OF NEWTON, IOWA PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

Sealed bids for the work comprising the improvement as stated below must be filed before 11:00 am on March 26, 2026, in the office of the Utilities Director, 303 W 4th St N, Suite 501, Newton, IA.

Sealed proposals will be opened and bids tabulated at 11:00 am on March 26, 2026, in the Public Works Office, 303 W 4th St N, Suite 501, Newton, IA, for consideration by the Newton City Council at its meeting on April 6th, 2026; at the Newton City Council Chambers. The City of Newton reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Work on the improvement shall commence upon approval of the contract by the Council and issuance of the Notice to Proceed, and be completed as stated below.

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. Said corporate surety bond shall guarantee the prompt payment of all material and labor, and protect and save harmless the City of Newton 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 (2) years from and after acceptance of the contract. Said bid 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 Newton 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right to defer acceptance of any bid for a period of sixty (60) calendar days after receipt of bids and no bid may be withdrawn during this period.

The City of Newton, 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 an award.

Contractor shall fully complete the project on or before July 1, 2026. Should the contractor fail to complete the work in this timeframe, liquidated damages of \$100.00 per calendar day will be assessed for work not completed within the designated contract term.

The City of Newton 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.

Copies of the contract bid documents and plans are available at no cost from the City of Newton Public Works Office, 303 W 4th St N, Suite 501, Newton, IA.

General Nature of Public Improvement:

1ST ST N, 8" WATERMAIN PROJECT

This project includes installing approximately 907 feet of new 8-inch water main to improve the existing water system. About 785 feet will be installed using trenchless methods to limit surface disturbance, and about 122 feet will be installed using open trench construction.

Work will also include installing 17 new water service lines to connect nearby properties to the new main. Two new fire hydrant assemblies will be installed along the water main.

The project includes tying the new main into the existing system, installing valves and fittings, pressure testing and disinfecting the new water main, and restoring all disturbed areas such as pavement, sidewalks, driveways, and grass. Traffic control and erosion control measures will be provided as needed to complete the work safely and properly.

The work shall commence upon issuance of the Notice to Proceed, and shall be completed on or before on or before July 1, 2026.

This Notice is given by authority of the City of Newton

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Katrina Davis, City Clerk, City of Newton, Iowa