

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

JURISDICTION OF CITY OF HIAWATHA IOWA, IOWA PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Qualified bidders may submit bids for the City of Hiawatha – Kainz Drive Storm Sewer 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, jfitch@hiawatha-iowa.com. The Engineer for this project is Shive-Hattery, Inc, 222 Third Ave, Suite 300, Cedar Rapids, IA 52406.

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 Friday, May 22, 2026. No paper bids will be accepted. All electronic bids must be submitted prior to 11:00 AM on Wednesday, May 27, 2026 via QuestCDN vBid Online Bidding. No bids will be allowed to be submitted after 11:00 AM.

A virtual bid opening will be held on Wednesday, May 27, 2026 at 11:00 AM. Join the bid opening conference from your computer, tablet or smartphone at <https://meet.google.com/yep-jbfj-icp?authuser=1&hs=122>, or attend in person at City Hall, 101 Emmons Street, Hiawatha, IA. You can also dial in using your phone: 314-730-2373 PIN: 716 494 162#.

Bids will be considered by the City of Hiawatha, Iowa at its meeting on Wednesday, June 3, 2026, City Hall Council Chambers, 101 Emmons Street, Hiawatha, IA. 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 #10053976 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 info@questcdn.com 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

Kainz Drive Storm Sewer Improvements

City of Hiawatha, Iowa

This project includes removal and replacement of the existing storm piping with 260 lineal feet of Owner-furnished 36"x24" box culvert, installation of a new Owner-furnished storm intake, construction of a concrete flume, and site restoration.

Engineer's Estimate: **\$150,000.00**

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 four 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 an award.

Project has an early Start Date of Monday, June 15, 2026.

Contractor shall have the project substantially completed by Friday, July 31, 2026, and final completion by Friday, August 14, 2026. All final paperwork shall be completed by Friday, September 18, 2026. For the purposes of this project, Substantial Completion shall be defined as all work on the project complete, including placement of sod, with only punchlist items remaining. Exceptions may be made on placement of sod if the sod farm is not cutting sod during the construction timeline.

As the Owner has been working with the property owners closely on design and timelines, the Contract for this project includes a liquidated damages clause. Liquidated damages for delay, but not as a penalty, are specified as Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each calendar day that expires after the times specified for Substantial Completion until the work is complete.

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.

No pre-bid meeting will be held. Contractor may schedule site visits with Jon Fitch at 319-393-1515 x528. Questions may be submitted to Jon Fitch, jfitch@hiawatha-iowa.com.

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