

## **NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

### **WASTEWATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS DIVISION 1 – WWTF HEADWORKS IMPROVEMENTS DIVISION 2 – SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS MOUNT AYR, IOWA 2026**

Time and Place for Filing Sealed Proposals. Sealed bids for the work comprising the Wastewater System Improvements – Division 1 - WWTF Headworks Improvements and Division 2 – Sanitary Sewer Improvements as more specifically stated below must be filed before **2:00 PM** (in accordance with the designated clock in the City Hall Council Chambers), **on Thursday, June 18, 2026**, in the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, City of Mount Ayr, 200 S Taylor Street, Mount Ayr, Iowa 50854.

Time and Place Sealed Proposals Will be Opened and Considered. Sealed proposals will be opened and bids tabulated at **2:00 PM on Thursday, June 18, 2026**, in the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, City of Mount Ayr, 200 S Taylor Street, Mount Ayr, Iowa 50854 for consideration and possible action by the City of Mount Ayr at its meeting at **6:00 PM on Monday, June 22, 2026** at the City Hall, City of Mount Ayr, 200 S Taylor Street, Mount Ayr, Iowa 50854. The City of Mount Ayr reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Time for Commencement and Completion of Work. Work on the improvement shall be commenced immediately upon issuance of a written Notice to Proceed and be fully completed and ready for final payment on or before **December 14, 2026**.

Bid Security. Each bidder shall accompany its bid with bid security 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 form acceptable to the City of Mount Ayr, for the faithful performance of the contract, in an amount equal to one hundred percent of the amount of the contract. The bidder's security shall be in the amount of 10% of the bid, as fixed in the Instruction to Bidders, and shall be in the form of a cashier's check or a certified check drawn on a FDIC insured bank in Iowa or on a 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 City of Mount Ayr. The bid shall contain no condition except as provided in the specifications.

Contract Documents. **Paper copies** of the bid forms, plans and specifications may be obtained from Garden & Associates, Ltd., 806 Wyoming, Creston, IA 50801 upon deposit of **Fifty Dollars (\$50.00)** which shall be refunded upon return of said plans and specification within fourteen (14) days after award of the project. If said plans and specifications are not returned within the time specified and in usable condition, the deposit shall be forfeited.

**Electronic project documents** are available at no cost at [www.gardenassociates.net](http://www.gardenassociates.net) by clicking on the "Bid Documents" tab and choosing "WASTEWATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS – DIV 1 – WWTF HEADWORKS & DIV 2 – SANITARY SEWER – MOUNT AYR, IA – 2026" on the left side of the page. Project information, Engineer's cost opinion and plan holder information is also available at this website. Plan downloads require the user to register for a free membership at QuestCDN.com. The download delivery fee is \$0.00.

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.

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.

All bidders shall provide a statement regarding the bidder's resident status. This statement shall be on the Bidder Status Form designated by the Iowa Department of Labor Commissioner and available on-line. Failure to submit a fully completed Bidder Status Form with the bid may result in the bid being deemed non-responsive and rejected.

General Nature of Improvement. The work generally consists of the following:

**DIVISION 1 – WWTF HEADWORKS IMPROVEMENTS – 2026**

Lump sum price for furnishing all labor, materials, equipment and incidentals for the removal and replacement of the grit classifier and mechanical screen and associated mechanical, electrical, and plumbing improvements as shown on plans and specifications; including but not limited to demolition, piping, conduit, wiring, electrical, grounding, control system, and miscellaneous associated work for complete installation at the WWTF Headworks Building.

**DIVISION 2 – BASE BID – SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS – 2026**

Pre-Rehabilitation Cleaning and Inspection, 8" Dia.– 1,439 LF; Additional Sewer Cleaning, 8" Dia. – 3 HR; Remove Protruding Service Connections – 3 EA; CIPP Main Lining, 8" Dia. – 1,439 LF; Building Sanitary Sewer Service Reinstatement – 29 EA; CIPP Point Repair, 8" Dia. – 4 EA; Spot Repairs by Count, Sanitary Sewer – 2 EA; Spot Repairs by Linear Foot, Sanitary Sewer – 20 LF; Temporary Traffic Control – 1 LS; Mobilization – 1 LS.

**DIVISION 2 – ALTERNATE A PROJECT - SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS – 2026**

Pre-Rehabilitation Cleaning and Inspection, 8" Dia.– 525 LF; Remove Protruding Service Connections – 2 EA; CIPP Main Lining, 8" Dia. – 525 LF; Building Sanitary Sewer Service Reinstatement – 11 EA; CIPP Point Repair, 8" Dia. – 4 EA; Temporary Traffic Control – 1 LS; Mobilization – 1 LS.

**DIVISION 2 – ALTERNATE B PROJECT - SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS – 2026**

Manhole, Type SW-301, 48" Dia.– 4 EA; Removal of Manhole – 4 EA; Granular Surfacing, Class 'A' Crushed Stone, 6" Thick – 30 TON; Temporary Traffic Control – 1 LS; Mobilization – 1 LS.

Building materials, supplies, and equipment incorporated into said improvement are exempt from Iowa Department of Revenue and Finance sales tax and any applicable local option sales tax and school infrastructure local option sales tax pursuant to Iowa Code Sections: 422.42 (15) & (16), and 422.47 (5). Bidder shall not include payment of Iowa sales tax in Bid. Jurisdiction will provide Purchasing Agent Authorization Letter and Designated Exempt Entity Iowa Construction Sales Tax Exemption Certificate. Contractor will coordinate sales tax exempt purchases with subcontractors and material and equipment suppliers. Contractor will maintain records identifying the materials purchased sales tax exempt and will maintain records verifying the use of said materials on said improvement.

The Contractor will be paid ninety-seven percent (97%) of the Engineer's estimate of the value of acceptable work completed at the end of the preceding month. Final payment will be made within thirty-one (31) days after completion of the work and acceptance by the City of Mount Ayr, subject to the conditions of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 573 of the Code of Iowa.

No such final payment will be due until the Contractor certifies to the City of Mount Ayr that the materials, labor, and services involved in the final estimate have been completed and paid for in accordance with the requirements stated in the specifications.

Liquidated damages in the amount of **Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00)** per working day will be assessed for each day that the work shall remain uncompleted after the date established for Substantial Completion with due allowance for extension of contract period due to conditions beyond the control of the Contractor.

Successful Bidder will be required to furnish Performance, Payment and Maintenance Bond acceptable to the City of Mount Ayr on the form provided in the specifications in amounts equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price.

Up to two (2) contracts may be awarded for the work. Award of each contract will be to the lowest responsive, responsible, qualified bidder submitting the lowest acceptable bid for each division of work. The City of Mount Ayr hereby reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities and irregularities and to enter into such contract as it may deem to be for the best interest of the City of Mount Ayr. A bidder shall not withdraw its proposal for a period of thirty (30) calendar days after the date designated for opening of proposals.

Payment of the cost of said project will be made from such cash funds of the City of Mount Ayr as may be legally used for said purpose at the discretion of the City of Mount Ayr.

All bids will be governed by applicable provisions in the Iowa Code.

This Notice is given by authority of the City of Mount Ayr, Iowa.

Mack Green, Mayor  
City of Mount Ayr, Iowa

*ATTEST:*

Brent Wise, City Administrator