ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

SOUTH SIDE
WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

DIVISION 1: LUMINARY LANE AND HIGHWAY 63
DIVISION 2: SE CONNECTOR AND HIGHWAY 23

OSKALOOSA MUNICIPAL WATER DEPARTMENT
2026

General Notice

Oskaloosa Municipal Water Department (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project:

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Project Reference Numbers
SRF Project Number: FS-62-26-DWSRF-006

Sealed Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at the **Oskaloosa Municipal Water Department** located at **1208 South 7th Street, Oskaloosa, IA 52577**, until **Tuesday, December 8, 2026** at **11:00 AM** local time. At that time and place the sealed Bids timely received will be **publicly** opened and read. The Oskaloosa Municipal Water Board will consider said Bids at the meeting scheduled for 3:00 P.M. on January 11, 2027, at said **Oskaloosa Municipal Water Department**.

The Project includes the following Work separated into two different divisions of work under one general contract:

Division 1: Luminary Lane and Highway 63

> Installation of approximately 8,235 feet of 8-inch water main pipe and appurtenances including but not limited to the installation of water main, fittings, valves, service connections, connections to existing water main, casing pipe for highway crossings field tile repair, temporary traffic control, site restoration, management of a SWPPP.

Division 2: SE Connector and Highway 23

> Installation of approximately 2,510 feet of 12-inch water main, 6,785 feet of 8-inch water main pipe and appurtenances including but not limited to the installation of water main, fittings, valves, service connections, connections to existing water main, casing pipe for highway crossings field tile repair, temporary traffic control, site restoration, management of a SWPPP.

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Owner anticipates that the Project's bid price will be approximately **$1,211,600 for Division 1,** and **$769,850 for Division 2**. The Project has an expected duration of **180 calendar days** with the Notice to Proceed being issued on or about April 13, 2027.

Obtaining the Bidding Documents

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

www.gardenassociates.net

Bidding Documents may be downloaded from the designated website by clicking the "Bidding Documents" link and choosing the "SOUTH SIDE WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS – DIVISION 1: LUMINARY LANE AND HIGHWAY 63 – DIVISION 2: SE CONNECTOR AND HIGHWAY 23 – OSKALOOSA MUNICIPAL WATER DEPARTMENT – 2026" project on the left. 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. **Download delivery fee is $0.00**. Bid forms, plans and specifications may be obtained from Garden & Associates, Ltd., P.O. Box 451, 1701 3rd Avenue East, Suite 1, Oskaloosa, IA 52577 upon deposit of **$100.00**. A refund of **$100.00** for plans and specifications will be made to those returning them in good condition within fourteen (14) days after the Notice of Award.

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:

Garden & Associates, Ltd.
1701 3rd Avenue East, Suite 1
Oskaloosa, IA 52577

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 **One Hundred Dollars ($100)** for each set. Bidders who return full sets of the Bidding Documents in good condition within 14 days after the award of the contract will receive a full refund. Make deposit checks for Bidding Documents payable to **Garden & Associates, Ltd.**

All BIDS must be filed in said office before the time herein set, on forms furnished by the OWNER, and must be enclosed in a sealed envelope and plainly identified. Bids shall contain no

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condition except as provided in the specifications. BIDDER accepts that failure to submit a fully completed Bidder Status Form may result in the BID being deemed non-responsive and rejected. 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 at the prices BID for the work bid upon and will furnish after the award of contract a corporate surety bond, in a form acceptable to the OWNER, for the faithful performance of the contract, in an amount equal to 100% of the amount of the contract, and the required Certificate of Insurance. The bidder's security shall be in the form of a BID BOND, certified check, cashier's check, or certified credit union share draft in a sealed envelope in an amount equal to **ten per cent (10%)** of the total amount of the BID. If BID BOND is submitted, it must be on the form provided with the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS. The certified check, cashier's check, or certified credit union share draft shall be drawn on a bank in Iowa, a bank chartered under the laws of the United States of America, or said certified share draft shall be drawn on a credit union in Iowa or chartered under the laws of the United States and payable to the Treasurer of the OWNER. The certified check, cashier's check, or certified share draft may be cashed, or the BID BOND forfeited, and the proceeds retained as liquidated damages if the BIDDER fails to execute a contract or file acceptable PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BONDS or provide an acceptable Certificate of Insurance within fifteen (15) days after the acceptance of said BID by resolution of the OWNER. No BIDDER may withdraw a BID within sixty (60) days after the date set for opening BIDS.

By virtue of Statutory authority, a preference will be given to products and provisions grown and coal produced within the State of Iowa.

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.

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

Ground disturbance cannot begin work until final approval of the environmental clearance has been provided. The work shall commence on or before the date specified in the written "Notice to Proceed", the anticipated date for the Notice to Proceed is April 13, 2027 and an anticipated substantial completion time of October 10, 2027. Liquidated damages in the amount of seven hundred dollars ($700.00) will be assessed for each consecutive day that the work shall remain uncompleted after the end of the contract period, with due allowance for extension of contract period due to conditions beyond the control of the Contractor.

Any bidder or equipment supplier whose firm or affiliate is listed in the GSA publication "List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Nonprocurement Programs" must be prohibited

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from the bidding process. Anyone submitting a bid who is listed in this publication must be determined to be non-responsive in accordance with 40 CFR Part 31.

Awards for each division of work will be issued to the lowest responsible Bidder submitting the lowest Bid acceptable for the work. Contracts for each division of work will be completed with different contractors unless the same contractor submits an acceptable low bid for each division of work. Contractors are not required to submit a bid for both divisions of work. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities and irregularities in the form of the bid, and to enter into such contract, or contracts, as may be deemed to be in its best interest. The award and/or approval of the contract may be subject to the Owner's receipt of a Notice of Funding Eligibility (NOFE) from the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

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: **Oskaloosa Municipal Water Department**
By: **Tony Erwin**
Title: **Chairman**
Date: November 10**, 2026**
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