

CITY OF DULUTH INVITATION TO BID

PROJECT NAME/DESCRIPTION: Wade Stadium Improvements – Phase I: Field and Lighting

PROJECT NUMBER: P14-08-EB

BID NUMBER: 14-23DS

Sealed bids will be received by the City Purchasing Agent in and for the Corporation of the City of Duluth, Minnesota in Room 100 City Hall, Duluth, Minnesota 55802, (218) 730-5340 at 2:00 p.m., local time on Friday, August 15, 2014, for the Wade Stadium Improvements – Phase I: Field and Lighting; immediately thereafter, bids will be taken to Room 106A City Hall where they will be publicly opened and read aloud.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS:

1. **A Project Labor Agreement (PLA) will be required for any bid that is over or could virtually go over \$150,000.**
2. **Unless a Certificate of Exemption is provided, any out-of-state bidder receiving a bid award will have 8% retained from invoice payments on any contracts over \$50,000. Submit a signed copy from the State of Minnesota when submitting Payment and Performance Bonds. This form may be found at the following web address:
http://www.revenue.state.mn.us/Forms_and_Instructions/sde.pdf**
3. **A mandatory pre-bid meeting and walk-thru of the site will take place at 10am, Tuesday August 5th, onsite at Wade Stadium.**

This advertisement is also available on the City of Duluth website at http://www.duluthgov.info/db_frames/bid_information.cfm

ONLY IF REQUIRED – Each bidder must review the 2014 edition of the City of Duluth Public Works/Utilities Department – Engineering Division Standard Construction Specifications on the city website (www.duluthmn.gov) as these Specifications are incorporated by reference and deemed to be a part of this project as if fully incorporated and set forth herein.

In general, this project consists of: Site work in preparation for artificial turf, coordination with turf supplier/installer, removal of existing stadium lighting for replacement with new, brick restoration and masonry wall reconstruction, replacement of stadium seating, purchase of field maintenance equipment, purchase and installation of a new scoreboard, painting and miscellaneous repair of stadium.

The purchase and installation of the artificial turf is under a separate contract with AstroTurf. The awarded bidder of this contract will coordinate the schedule with AstroTurf and will comply with AstroTurf's stringline check of the planarity of the stone base to ensure it meets required tolerances.

Qualified bidders will meet the project completion date of April 1, 2015. Coordination with AstroTurf is critical to completing this project on time. Enough time must be allotted AstroTurf to complete the installation of the artificial turf to meet our schedule. Liquidated damages of \$1,000 per day will be assigned to the awarded contractor for each day after April 1, 2015 the project is extended.

Please note that due a very tight construction schedule, we ask that all bidders be prepared to provide payment and performance bonds immediately upon award of the bid. The City intends to aware the bid upon opening of the bids, after review and verification of bids takes place.

Proposal forms, contract documents, plans and specifications as prepared by the firm of TKDA are on file at the following offices: City Purchasing Office; City Architect's Office; Duluth Builder's Exchange; McGrawhill Construction; Minnesota Builder's Exchange; Reed Construction Data, and the office of TKDA, 11 East Superior Street, Suite 340. Duluth, MN 55802.

Copies of these plans and specifications may be obtained from Sheldon Planroom, 124 E Superior St, Duluth, MN 55802. Copies of bidding documents may be obtained by purchase from Sheldon's.

A certified check or bank draft payable to the order of the City of Duluth, negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (at par value), or a satisfactory bid bond executed by the bidder and acceptable surety, in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid, shall be submitted with each bid.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the minimum salaries, wages and benefits as set forth in the contract documents must be paid on this project. The contractor must take affirmative action to ensure that the employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, creed, sex or national origin and must meet the affirmative action goals. Contractors are encouraged to subcontract with disadvantage business enterprises when possible.

The City of Duluth reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informality in the bidding. Bids may be held by the City of Duluth for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days from the date of opening the bids for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of the bidders, prior to awarding the contract.

The City of Duluth is an Equal Opportunity Employer. Contractor shall comply with all applicable Equal Employment Opportunity laws and regulations.

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Dennis Sears
Purchasing Agent