

BID NUMBER: 22-99384

PROJECT NAME: Michigan St. Utility Reconstruction from 1st Ave. West to 3rd Ave. East

STATE/CITY PROJECT NUMBER: 1328
ANTICIPATED START DATE: June 6, 2022

The City of Duluth, Minnesota requests sealed bids for the above named project. All bids must be submitted electronically through Bid Express® at www.bidexpress.com. The City Purchasing Agent or her designee will conduct a public bid opening immediately after the deadline for receiving bids. Bidders may view the opening by going to the Purchasing web page (https://www.duluthmn.gov/purchasing/bids-request-for-proposals/) and selecting the appropriate link.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION & MAJOR WORK ITEMS: This project consists of constructing 12" HDPE natural gas main from the Regulator Station at Lake Avenue to 3rd Avenue West, additional small diameter gas mains will also be constructed to permanently relocate customer service connections. The Project will construct 20" HDPE water main from 1st Avenue West to 2nd Avenue East, reconnecting customers and branch mains within that area. Approximately 974 feet of electrical duct bank will be constructed along with connections to and structural repairs of four concrete electrical vaults. Finally, the street surfaces will be restored with approximately 4,300 SY of concrete paving.

PREBID MEETING: A pre-bid meeting will take place on Tuesday, May 3rd at 10:00 A.M. in Room 330 City Hall, 411 West First Street, Duluth, MN.

This project is funded in part by the American Rescue Plan Act. The awarded bidder MUST have an active SAM.gov registration with no exclusions. *

Questions pertaining to this project should be directed to: Howard Smith, P.E., Senior Engineer at (218) 730-5092 or by email at hsmith@duluthmn.gov

Plans and specifications may be viewed and downloaded at no cost at www.bidexpress.com. Bidders must create a free account with Bid Express®; and login to search for city projects (search by "City of Duluth" or bid number). Bid Express® does charge a nominal fee for bid submission. More information can be found at https://www.bidexpress.com/vendor resources

Plans and specifications are on file for inspection at the Minnesota Builder's Exchange, BXWI-Fox Valley Plan Room, and Blue Book Building and Construction Network.

Bidders must review the 2019 edition of the City of Duluth Public Works/Utilities Department – Engineering Division Standard Construction Specifications (available at https://www.duluthmn.gov/engineering/standard-construction-specifications/) as these Specifications are incorporated by reference.

Bid surety in the amount of (five) 5% of the total bid must be submitted with each bid. Bid bonds may be submitted electronically, either through Surety2000 or SuretyWave within the Bid Express solicitation, or emailed to purchasing@duluthmn.gov. Paper bid bonds, certified checks or bank drafts may be mailed or dropped off at City Hall, 411 W. 1st Street, Room 120, Duluth, MN 55802. Regardless of the method of submission, bid surety must be received by Purchasing prior to the bid opening.

Not less than prevailing wages as included in the specifications and provisions must be paid on this project. A Project Labor Agreement (PLA) and Community Benefits provisions will be required for any bid that is over or could virtually go over \$150,000.

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 Disadvantaged Business Enterprises when possible. Contractor will comply with all applicable Equal Employment Opportunity laws and regulations.

The City of Duluth reserves the right to waive informalities and to reject any or all bids.

Patrice Stalvig, City Purchasing Agent