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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS BIDS DUE TUESDAY, JUNE 14, 2022 at 2:00 pm

BID NO. 22-5505

CHESTER BOWL BRIDGE ABUTMENT AND GRADING

The City of Duluth, Minnesota, on behalf of Chester Bowl Improvement Club (CBIC), requests sealed bids for the above named project. Awarded bidder will be contracting directly with CBIC.

This project is funded in part by a Community Development Block Grant. The awarded bidder must have an active SAM.gov registration with no exclusions. Federal supplementary provisions shall apply.

Work includes construction of concrete abutments and grading work for permanent ski hill bridge in Chester Bowl Park over Chester Creek. Work includes structure excavation, helical piling, concrete abutments, backfill, riprap, erosion control and associated grading. Please see the attached specifications for more information.

Electronic bids may be submitted through Bid Express® at www.bidexpress.com until the deadline indicated above. **E-MAIL BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.** The City Purchasing Agent will conduct a public bid opening immediately after the deadline for receiving bids. Bidders wishing to view the bid opening should visit https://www.duluthmn.gov/purchasing/bids-request-for-proposals/ and select the appropriate link.

Questions pertaining to this project should be e-mailed to kyle.marynik@lhbcorp.com. Answers will be provided in the form of an addendum.

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 and BXWI-Fox Valley Plan Room.

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

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

Bids must be submitted electronically through Bid Express® at www.bidexpress.com. Bid surety in the amount of 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 payable to the City of Duluth 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.

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.

No alternatives to the specification will be considered unless specifically requested. Erasures or other changes to the bid must be initialed and dated, however no special conditions shall be made or included in the bid form by the bidder

The City of Duluth reserves the right to split the award where there is a substantial savings to the City, to waive informalities and to reject any and all bids. Price may not be the only consideration for bid award. Bids must be firm for a minimum of 60 days.

The following documents must be submitted with your bid:

- 1. **Bid Bond** 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 per cent (5%) of the total bid. Bids may be withdrawn without forfeiture of surety if the request is submitted by the Bidder and received at the Purchasing Office in writing or by e-mail prior to the scheduled bid opening.
- 2. **Acknowledgment of Addendum –** any changes to this solicitation will be announced via Addendum. Bidders must indicate that they have reviewed any addendum(s) by initialing and dating on the bid form where indicated. Failure to acknowledge addendum(s) may result in your bid being deemed non-responsive.
- 3. **Responsible Contractor** No construction contract in excess of \$50,000 will be awarded unless the Bidder is a "responsible contractor" as defined in Minnesota Statute §16C.285, subdivision 3. All Bidders submitting a proposal for this project must verify that they meet the minimum criteria specified in the statute by submitting a Responsible Contractor Verification and Certification of Compliance form (attached) with their bid. The owner or officer of the company must sign the form under oath verifying compliance with each of the minimum criteria. Making a false statement under oath will render the Bidder or subcontractor that makes the false statement ineligible to be awarded a construction project and may result in termination of a contract awarded to a Bidder or subcontractor that submits a false statement. Bidders must obtain verification of compliance from all subcontractors. Bidders must submit signed copies of verifications and certifications of compliance from subcontractors at the City's request.

Please note that the following requirements also apply to this project, and any additional required documents must be submitted prior to award/contract execution. Submitting these documents with your bid will assist in expediting the process.

- 1. **Insurance** Contractor must provide proof of General Commercial Liability and Automobile Liability Insurance with limits not less than \$1,500,000 Single Limit prior to the commencement of work.
- 2. **Affidavit of Non-Collusion** The successful bidder shall be required to execute the attached affidavit stating that he/she has not entered into a collusive agreement with any other person, firm, or corporation in regard to any bid submitted.
- 3. **Prevailing Wage** Not less than the minimum salaries and prevailing wages as set forth in the contract documents must be paid on this project.

CITY OF DULUTH

Patrice Stalvig Purchasing Agent