CITY OF DULUTH  
INVITATION TO BID (ENG)  

PROJECT NAME/DESCRIPTION: Safe Routes To Schools Sidewalk Improvements at Congdon Park Elementary, Lester Park Elementary and Harriet Beecher Stowe Elementary  

PROJECT NUMBER 0657TR  

BID NUMBER: 12-13DS  

Sealed bids will be received by the City Purchasing Agent in and for the Corporation of the City of Duluth, Minnesota, at his office, Room 100 City Hall, Duluth, Minnesota, 55802, (218) 730-5340 until 2 PM local time on July 24, 2012 for the above named project. 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://taxes.state.mn.us/Forms_and_Instructions/sde.pdf  

Scope of project; Fill in missing sidewalks, replace defective sidewalks and pedestrian curb ramps, sign installation and painting crosswalks in Duluth, Congdon Park Elementary, Lester Park Elementary and Harriet Beecher Stowe Elementary.  

Questions pertaining to this project should be directed to: Greg Stoewer, Project Engineer, 218-730-5109  

Each bidder must review the 2011 edition of the City of Duluth Public Works/Utilities Department – Engineering Division Standard Construction Specifications and its 2012 Amendment on the city website (www.duluthmn.gov) as these Specifications are incorporated by reference and deemed to be a part hereof this project as if fully incorporated and set forth herein.  

Plans and specifications may be secured from the City Engineering office, Room 211 City Hall, 411 West 1st St., Duluth, MN 55802, upon payment of a check, draft or money order in the amount of $40.00 made payable to the City of Duluth. (This payment will not be refunded.)  

Plans and specifications are on file for inspection at the City Engineering office, Duluth Builders Exchange, F.W. Dodge Plan Room, Minneapolis Builders Exchange and St. Paul Builders Exchange.  

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, shall be submitted with each bid.  

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the minimum salaries and prevailing wages 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 Disadvantaged Business Enterprises when possible.  

Contractor will comply with all applicable Equal Employment Opportunity laws and regulations.  

Minimum wage rates to be paid by the Contractors have been predetermined and are subject to the Work Hours Act of 1962, P.L. 87-581 and implementing regulations.
READ CAREFULLY THE WAGE SCALES AND DIVISION A OF THE SPECIAL PROVISIONS AS THEY AFFECT THIS PROJECT

The Minnesota Department of Transportation hereby notifies all bidders:
in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Act), as amended and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Subtitle A Part 21, Non-discrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation, it will affirmatively assure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded maximum opportunity to participate and/or to submit bids in response to this invitation, and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, disability, age, religion, sex or national origin in consideration for an award;

in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended, and Title 23, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 230 Subpart A-Equal Employment Opportunity on Federal and Federal-Aid Construction Contracts (including supportive services), it will affirmatively assure increased participation of minority groups and disadvantaged persons and women in all phases of the highway construction industry, and that on any project constructed pursuant to this advertisement equal employment opportunity will be provided to all persons without regard to their race, color, disability, age, religion, sex or national origin;

in accordance with the Minnesota Human Rights Act, Minnesota Statute 363A.08 Unfair discriminatory Practices, it will affirmatively assure that on any project constructed pursuant to this advertisement equal employment opportunity will be offered to all persons without regard to race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, status with regard to public assistance, membership or activity in a local commission, disability, sexual orientation, or age;

in accordance with the Minnesota Human Rights Act, Minnesota Statute 363A.36 Certificates of Compliance for Public Contracts, and 363A.37 Rules for Certificates of Compliance, it will assure that appropriate parties to any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement possess valid Certificates of Compliance.

If you are not a current holder of a compliance certificate issued by the Minnesota Department of Human Rights and intend to bid on any job in this advertisement you must contact the Department of Human Rights immediately for assistance in obtaining a certificate.

The following notice from the Minnesota Department of Human Rights applies to all contractors:

"It is hereby agreed between the parties that Minnesota Statute, section 363A.36 and Minnesota Rules, parts 5000.3400 to 5000.3600 are incorporated into any contract between these parties based on this specification or any modification of it. A copy of Minnesota Statute 363A.36 and Minnesota Rules, parts 5000.3400 to 5000.3600 is available upon request from the contracting agency."

"It is hereby agreed between the parties that this agency will require affirmative action requirements be met by contractors in relation to Minnesota Statute 363A.36 and Minnesota Rules 5000.3600. Failure by a contractor to implement an affirmative action plan or make a good faith effort shall result in revocation of its certificate or revocation of the contract (Minnesota Statute 363A.36, Subd. 2 and 3)."

The City of Duluth is an Equal Opportunity employer.

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Dennis Sears
Purchasing Agent