

BID NUMBER: 2018-0180

PROJECT NAME: 2018 Gas Blanket Project - City Wide

STATE/CITY PROJECT NUMBER: 1724

ANTICIPATED START DATE: April 16, 2018

The City of Duluth, Minnesota requests sealed bids for the above named project. Bids may be submitted electronically through Bid Express® at www.bidexpress.com until 2:00 p.m. local time on March 14, 2018. The City Purchasing Agent will conduct a public bid opening in City Hall, Room 100, immediately after the deadline for receiving bids.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION & MAJOR WORK ITEMS: Construction of ½ inch and 1 inch P.E. gas Services and 1 inch, 2 inch, 3 inch, 4 inch and 6 inch, high pressure P.E. gas mains and related work at various locations in the City of Duluth and surrounding areas. Additionally, any turf or pavement restoration required.

PREBID MEETING: A mandatory pre-bid meeting and walk-thru of the site will take place on February 28, 2018 at 1 PM Room 211A

Questions pertaining to this project should be directed to: Tim Sanders Project Engineer, 218-730-5066, tsanders@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). Bidders will be required to create an Info Tech Digital ID in order to bid, which can take up to five (5) business days to process. Please allow ample time to obtain your digital id prior to the bid deadline. 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 City Engineering office, Duluth Builders Exchange, Minnesota Builder's Exchange, BXWI-Fox Valley Plan Room, and Blue Book Building and Construction Network.

Bidders must review the 2017 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.

Bid surety in an amount equal to five per cent (5%) of the total bid shall be submitted with each bid. Electronic bid surety can be submitted using Surety 2000 or InSure Vision Technologies, LLC. Paper bid surety must be mailed or dropped off in person at the purchasing office prior to the bid opening. Please clearly mark the envelope with the name of the bidder and the bid number.

Not less than prevailing wages as included in the specifications and provisions must be paid on this project. A Project Labor Agreement (PLA) 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.

Amanda Ashbach, City Purchasing Agent