



City of Duluth  
Public Works & Utilities Department  
Engineering Division  
411 West First Street, Duluth, MN 55802

**\*\*\*\*\*ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS\*\*\*\*\***  
**BIDS DUE MARCH 13, 2019**

**BID NUMBER:** 19-99234

**PROJECT NAME:** RIVER WEST DRIVE GAS MAIN LOWERING

**STATE/CITY PROJECT NUMBER:** 1805

**ANTICIPATED START DATE:** APRIL 15, 2019

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](http://www.bidexpress.com) until 2:00 p.m. local time on **Wednesday March 13, 2019**. The City Purchasing Agent will conduct a public bid opening in City Hall, Room 120, immediately after the deadline for receiving bids.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION & MAJOR WORK ITEMS:** Excavate the City of Duluth's existing 16" steel natural gas main for 620 feet and lower the gas main as prescribed in the same trench. This project will provide new granular bedding and embedment for the pipe, erosion control during the lowering process, and site restoration.

**PREBID MEETING:** A mandatory pre-bid meeting will take place on March 6<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 P.M. in Duluth City Hall Room 106A.

Questions pertaining to this project should be directed to: Howard Smith, Senior Engineer: [hsmith@duluthmn.gov](mailto:hsmith@duluthmn.gov) (218) 730-5092.

Plans and specifications may be viewed and downloaded at no cost at [www.bidexpress.com](http://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](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