



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

**\*\*\*\*\*ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS\*\*\*\*\***

**BIDS DUE April 8, 2020 at 2:00 pm**

**BID NUMBER:** 20-99322

**PROJECT NAME:** East 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Reconstruction Project

**STATE/CITY PROJECT NUMBER:** 1851

**ANTICIPATED START DATE:** May 18, 2020

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 the bid deadline, at which time the bids will be opened and results made public as soon as possible afterward. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, no public bid opening is planned at this time.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION & MAJOR WORK ITEMS:** Reconstruct the public utilities and street pavement section of E. Second Street between N. 6th Avenue E. and N. 12th Avenue E., non-inclusive of the terminal intersections. Work includes sanitary sewer services, HDPE water main and services, storm sewer system, hot water system supply and return mains, steam system mains, traffic signals and electrical work, excavation and grading, aggregate base, concrete sidewalk and ADA pedestrian ramps, curb and gutter, concrete pavement, bituminous pavement, pavement, marking, signing, concrete retaining walls, sidewalk vault abandonment, topsoil, sod, and traffic control.

Questions pertaining to this project should be directed to: Duncan Schwensohn, PE Senior Engineer City of Duluth, 218-730-5107 email: [dschwensohn@duluthmn.gov](mailto:dschwensohn@duluthmn.gov). Email is the preferred method of communication. If contacting via phone, please be aware you will need to leave a message. As of the posting of this bid, most City staff are working remotely and voicemail is being checked on a regular basis.

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, 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 <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 SuretyWave. Paper bid surety must be mailed to the purchasing office prior to the bid opening. Please clearly mark the envelope with the name of the bidder and the bid number. **For the duration of the City Hall closure to the public due to COVID19, emailed bid bonds are being accepted as long as they are complete, clearly indicate a valid and verifiable bond number, and are received prior to the bid deadline. No in-person drop-offs are allowed.**

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.

Amanda Ashbach, City Purchasing Agent