

## ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

### CITY OF PORTLAND, INDIANA WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT, SECONDARY IMPROVEMENTS

NOTICE is hereby given that the City of Portland, Jay County, Indiana, hereinafter referred to as the Owner, will receive sealed bid packets for the construction of the Secondary System Improvements, Contract No. 3

Sealed bids must be received by the Clerk Treasurer no later than 10:00 AM (local time) on July 27, 2017, at the City of Portland, Indiana; 321 N. Meridian Street 47371. Bids received after such time shall be returned unopened. Bids received prior to 10:00 AM (local time) shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the public meeting scheduled at the Portland Fire Station / Council Chambers, 1616 North Franklin Street, Portland, Indiana at 10:00 AM (local time). All interested citizens are invited to attend and should any citizens require special provisions, such as handicapped modifications or non-English translation personnel, the City will provide such provisions as long as the request is made by July 6, 2017.

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held in at the Wastewater Treatment Plant located at 1315 Shadeland Lane, Portland, Indiana at 9:30 AM on July 10, 2017. All prime contractors, subcontractors, small, minority or women owned enterprises and other interested parties are invited to attend.

The work to be performed and the bid to be submitted shall include sufficient and proper sums for all general construction, mechanical installation, labor, permits, licenses, insurance, equipment, materials and power and so forth incidental to and required for the construction of the facilities for the complete performance of the following project: Wastewater Treatment Plant Secondary Expansion, Contract 3, generally described as follows:

*The expansion project entails addition of two new final settling tanks, return/waste sludge pumps, and converting the existing final clarifiers to additional aeration basins along with an additional blower and controls. Any questions regarding the project should be directed to Tom Filbrun with Jones & Henry Engineers at 260-482-1920.*

Plans and Specifications for the Project are on file and may be examined for free at the following locations: Jones & Henry Engineers, 2420 North Coliseum Boulevard, Suite 214, Fort Wayne, Indiana, 46805 or at the Treatment Plant located at 1315 Shadeland Lane, Portland, Indiana. Copies may be obtained at cost from Eastern Engineering Supply at 1239 North Wells St., Fort Wayne, Indiana 46808, ([www.easternengineering.com](http://www.easternengineering.com), phone no. 260.426.3119, fax no. 260.426.3101) for each set of Bidding Documents.

The work to be performed and the bid to be submitted shall include sufficient and proper sums for all general construction, mechanical installation, labor, materials, permits, licenses, insurance, and so forth incidental to and required for the construction of the facilities.

Each bid must be enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the title of the Project and the name and address of Bidder. All bids must be submitted on the bid forms as identified in the Contract Documents and Specifications.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check or acceptable bidder's bond made payable to the Owner, in a sum of not less than five percent (5%) of the bid, which check or bond will be held by the Owner as evidence that the bidder will, if awarded the contract, enter into the same with the Owner upon notification from him to do so within ten (10) days of said notification.

Approved performance and payment bonds guaranteeing faithful and proper performance of the work and materials, to be executed by an acceptable surety company, will be required of the Contractor at the time of contract execution. The bonds will be in the amount of 100% of the Contract Price and must be in full force and effect throughout the term of the Construction Contract plus a period of twelve (12) months from the date of substantial completion.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any bid, or all bids, or to accept any bid or bids, or to make such combination of bids as may seem desirable, and to waive any and all informalities in bidding. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the above scheduled time for the opening of bids or authorized postponement thereof. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered. No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids for at least ninety (90) days.

A conditional or qualified Bid will not be accepted.

Award will be made to the low, responsive, responsible bidder. The low, responsive, responsible bidder must not be debarred, suspended, or otherwise be excluded from or ineligible for participation in federally assisted programs under Executive Order 12549. The Bid is separated into a Base Bid and three Alternate Bids. Award will be determined on the evaluation of the Base Bid with any combination of the Alternate Bids.

All applicable laws, ordinances, and the rules and regulations of all authorities having jurisdiction over construction of the project shall apply to the project throughout.

The successful Contractor will be required to enroll in and verify the work eligibility status of all employees hired after the date of this Contract through the E-Verify program. The Contractor will also be required to sign an affidavit concerning employment of unauthorized aliens. A copy of the affidavit is included in the Bid Documents. The successful Contractor will also be required to sign a certification regarding no investment activities in Iran.

Bids shall be properly and completely executed on bid forms included in the Specifications. Bids shall include all information requested by Indiana Form 96 (Revised 1987). The Owner may make such investigations as deemed necessary to determine the ability of the Bidder to perform the work and the Bidder shall furnish to the Owner all such information and data for this purpose as the Owner may request. The Owner reserves the right to reject any bid if the evidence submitted by, or investigation of, such Bidder fails to satisfy the Owner that such Bidder is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the Agreement and to complete the work contemplated therein.

Each Bidder is responsible for inspecting the Project site(s) and for reading and being thoroughly familiar with the Contract Documents and Specifications. The failure or omission of any Bidder to do any of the foregoing shall in no way relieve any Bidder from any obligation with respect to its Bid.

Wage rates on the project shall not be less than the federal wage scale published by the U.S. Department of Labor.

Bidders on this work shall be required to comply with the provisions of the President's Executive Order No. 11246, as amended. The Bidders shall also comply with the requirements of 41 CFR Part 60 – 4 entitled Construction Contractors - Affirmative Action Requirements. A copy of 41 CFR Part 60 – 4 may be found in the Supplemental General Conditions of the Contract Documents and Specifications.

The Bidders attention is also called to the "Minority/Women Business Participation" requirements contained in the Project Specifications. The Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs has adopted a State goal of 10% participation for minority and women owned businesses for construction related or purchase related contracts for the work.

The Contractor must meet guidelines and practices established by the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs and appropriate federal regulations including: 1) Executive Order 11246, 2) Section 3 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1968, as amended, 3) Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities, 4) OMB Circular A-102, 5) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 6) Section 504, Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 7) Age Discrimination Act of 1975, 8) Executive Order 12138, 9) Conflict of Interest Clause, 10) Retention and Custodial Requirements for Records Clause, 11) Contractors and Subcontractors Certifications, and others that may be appropriate or necessary.

Contract procurement is subject to the federal regulations contained in the OMB Circular A-102, Sections B and O and the State of Indiana requirements contained in IC-36-1-9 and IC-36-1-12.

Any contract(s) awarded under this Advertisement for Bids are expected to be funded in part by a grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development, as administered by the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs. Neither the United States nor any of its departments, agencies or employees is or will be a party to this Advertisement for Bids or any resulting contract.

Lori Aker-Ferguson  
Clerk Treasurer