

ADVERTISEMENT AND NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed Bids will be received by the Borough of Highlands for: "IMPROVEMENTS TO BAYSIDE DRIVE AND MARIE AVENUE" CONTRACT NO. HHI00613.01 and opened and read aloud at the Borough of Highlands Administrative Offices located at 151 Navesink Avenue, Highlands, New Jersey, on **Tuesday September 26, 2023** at 10:00 AM prevailing local time.

The project generally consists of the reconstruction of Bayside Drive and Marie Avenue, including curb, roadway improvements and drainage improvements. Approximate construction quantities include 370 tons of HMA surface course, 470 tons of HMA base course, 325 CY of DGA base course, 260 LF of concrete curb, 550 LF of concrete gutter, 3,070 SY of hot asphalt milling, and other associated work.

Plans, Specifications and Proposal Sheets may be obtained during normal business hours at the Office of the Consulting Engineer, Gregory R. Valesi, P.E., CME Associates, 1460 Route 9 South, Howell, New Jersey until 48 hours prior to the time set for the opening of bids upon payment of \$20.00 per set. No refunds will be made. The said Contract Documents and Proposal sheets may be examined at the office of the Borough Clerk, 151 Navesink Avenue, Highlands, New Jersey.

Bids must be furnished on the proposal sheets included in the Contract Documents, enclosed in a sealed envelope and addressed to the Mayor and Borough Council, Borough of Highlands, New Jersey and plainly marked on the outside with the name and address of the bidder and the Contract Number and Title.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check or cash of not less than ten (10%) percent of the bid payable without any conditional endorsement as a guarantee that in case the contract is awarded to the bidder, he will within ten (10) days thereafter execute such contract and furnish satisfactory performance bond. Upon failure to do so, he shall forfeit the bid security as liquidated damages and the acceptance of the bid will be contingent upon the fulfillment of this requirement by the bidder. No interest shall be allowed upon any such certified check or cash. A bid bond in the amount of ten (10%) percent of the bid may be substituted for certified check or cash, except the amount of the bid security shall not be less than \$500.00 - nor more than \$20,000.00. Each bid must be accompanied by a Certificate of Experience and Certificate of Equipment.

Each bid must also be accompanied by a certificate of Consent of Surety from a bonding company licensed to do business in the State of New Jersey guaranteeing that if the proposal of the bidder be accepted they will furnish the bond set forth in the Instructions to Bidders and the acceptance of the bid will be contingent upon the fulfillment of this requirement.

The Borough reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities specified in the manner designated in the Specifications. The Borough reserves the right to award this contract based on funds available.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of Equal Opportunity Employment (N.J.S.A.10:5-31 et seq.) and Affirmative Action (N.J.A.C. 17:27) and with the disclosure provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.13. The successful bidder shall be required to comply with the provisions of the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, Chapter 150 of the Laws of 1963, effective January 1, 1964.

Bidders shall comply with N.J.S.A. 52:32-44 latest revision, regarding Business Registration with the New Jersey Division of Revenue.

During the performance of this contract the Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, c. 127 (N.J.A.C. 17:27), all requirements of the State of New Jersey Worker Health and Safety Act (N.J.A.C. 12:110 et seq.) as amended and the United States Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) (29 CFR 1910), as amended with regard to worker and jobsite safety.

No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of sixty (60) days after the date set for the opening thereof. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a surety company bond in the full amount of the contract price indemnifying the Borough of Highlands, New Jersey for all proceedings, suits or actions of any kind of description and conditional for the faithful performance of the work.

The Borough Council of the Borough of Highlands reserves the right to reject any or all bids if in its opinion it is in the best interest of the Borough to do so.

BOROUGH OF HIGHLANDS