

Notice to Bidders

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the Borough of Highlands, Monmouth County, New Jersey (the "Owner") for **Shore Drive Pedestrian Improvements Project** and be opened and read in public at the Borough of Highlands, 151 Navesink Avenue, Highlands, NJ 07732 on **Thursday, March 13, 2025 10:30 AM** prevailing time.

The Project consists of Shore Drive with a project area that starts at Willow Street and continues to Waterwitch Avenue in the Borough of Highlands, Monmouth County, New Jersey. The scope of work for this Contract includes the installation of curb and sidewalk throughout the project limits that will improve pedestrian safety. Limited drainage improvements will also be required. Pavement repair and site restoration will also be included in the scope of work. **All work on this contract must be completed within 60 calendar days from issuance of a Notice to Proceed**

Contract documents and drawings for the proposed work (the "**Contract Documents**", which have been prepared by Joseph Raftery, P.E., CME, of the firm Colliers Engineering & Design Inc. (DBA Maser Consulting), are available electronically by making a request to rosie.bialoblocki@collierseng.com.

Bidders will be furnished with a copy of the Contract Documents by request upon proper notice to the above e-mail address. Electronic copies will be provided via e-mail at no charge.

The Contract Documents will be available during business hours beginning on Friday, February 21, 2025 during normal business hours.

Please note, all Bidders must submit one (1) paper copy of the proposal documents and two (2) USB drives containing all proposal documents for consideration – NO EXCEPTIONS.

All RFIs must be submitted via email to joseph.raftery@collierseng.com by Friday, February 28th, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. eastern time. Final Addendum will be issued on Monday, March 3rd, 2025.

Proposals must be made on the standard proposal forms included with the Contract Documents in the manner designated in the Contract Documents, must be enclosed in sealed envelopes bearing the name and address of the bidder and the name of the project on the outside and be addressed to the Borough of Highlands, and must be accompanied by a statement of consent of surety from a surety company authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey and acceptable to the Owner and either a bid bond or a certified check drawn to the order of Borough of Highlands for not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount bid, except that the check shall not exceed \$20,000.00. The successful bidder is hereby notified that a performance bond and labor and material (payment) bond for the full amount of this project is required.

The award of the Contract for this project will not be made until the necessary funds have been provided by the Owner in a lawful manner.

Proposals for this contract will only be accepted from bidders who have properly qualified in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents.

All Bids shall be submitted in sealed envelopes addressed to the Mayor and Council, Borough of Highlands, the envelope shall have marked conspicuously on its face on the top right-hand side in letters not less than one inch the word "Public Bid" followed immediately below those words in letters not less than one half inch high: "**Shore Drive Pedestrian Improvements**" and underneath that "**To be received on Thursday, March 13, 2025, at 10:30 a.m.**"

The right is also reserved to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities where such informality is not detrimental to the best interest of the Owner, except as to those items which are deemed mandatory and non-waivable set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:11-23.2. Further, the Owner reserves the right to abandon the project and reject

the bids entirely if any legal or state or federal administrative action is taken against the Owner which could delay or jeopardize the project from commencing. The right is also reserved to increase or decrease the quantities specified in the manner designated in the Specifications.

The successful bidder shall be required to comply with all applicable statutory and regulatory requirements, which include but are not limited to the affirmative action requirements of P.L. 1975, c. 127, N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27-1 et seq.

Bidders will be required to comply with the public disclosure provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2.

By order of the Borough of Highlands Monmouth County, New Jersey
Nancy Tran, Borough Clerk