

SECTION 00100

INVITATION TO BID

Separate sealed bids for construction of **LOWER NORTHSIDE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT- PHASE 2, (OFFICE FILE 1467.1)** will be received by the City Clerk at the Finance Office Window, Room 104, Civic Center, P.O. Box 5021, #2 Park Drive, Great Falls, MT 59403, until **10:00 a.m.** local time on **April 5, 2023**, and then publicly opened and read aloud thereafter in the Rainbow Conference Room at the Great Falls Civic Center.

The project consists of: approximately 1,030 lineal feet of 6-inch or 8-inch PVC water main replacement; 2,840 lineal feet of 12-inch water main replacement; remove and replace 8 - fire hydrants; 8 - 8-inch gate valves; 11 - 12-inch gate valves; 94 - ¾-inch or 1-inch water service connections; 4 - 1-½ inch or 2-inch water service connections; 4,150 Square Yards of 1½-inch base course gravel; 4,150 Square Yards of geotextile; 4,560 Square Yards of asphalt removal and replacement.

The contract documents consisting of Drawings and project Manual may be examined or obtained at the office of City Engineer at the Great Falls Public Works Department at 1025 25th Avenue NE, Great Falls, MT 59404, in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders. Required Deposit is **\$50.00** per set, which is not refundable. Contact the City Engineering Office at 406-771-1258 with any questions.

There will be a Pre-Bid Conference at the City Engineering Office Conference Room at **9:00 a.m.** on **March 29, 2023**. Interested CONTRACTORS are encouraged to attend.

Bidder questions will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. local time on March 30, 2023 and must be provided in writing via e-mail to Matt Proud at mproud@greatfallsmt.net.

CONTRACTOR and any of the CONTRACTOR'S subcontractors doing work on this project will be required to obtain registration with the Montana Department of Labor and Industry (DLI). Forms for registration are available from the Department of Labor and Industry, P.O. Box 8011, 1805 Prospect, Helena, Montana 59604-8011. Information on registration can be obtained by calling 1-406-444-7734. CONTRACTOR is not required to have registered with the DLI prior to bidding on this project, but must have registered prior to execution of the Construction Agreement. All laborers and mechanics employed by the CONTRACTOR or subcontractors in performance of the construction work shall be paid wages at rates as may be required by the laws of the City of Great Falls and the State of Montana. The CONTRACTOR must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex, national origin, or other class protected by state or federal law.

Each bid or proposal must be accompanied by a Certified Check, Cashier's Check, or Bid Bond payable to City of Great Falls, in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the total amount of the bid. Successful BIDDERS shall furnish an approved Performance Bond and Labor and Materials Payment Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount. Insurance, as required, shall be provided by the successful BIDDER(s) and a certificate(s)

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of that insurance shall be provided. Contractor and all subcontractors must be licensed to perform work in the City of Great Falls prior to contract award.

No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled time for public opening of bids, which is **10:00 a.m.**, local time on **April 5, 2023.**

The City of Great Falls reserves the right to reject any or all proposals received, to waive informalities, to postpone the award of the contract for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days, and to accept the lowest responsive and responsible bid which is in the City's best interests.

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