

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Larson Avenue Water Main Improvements Story City, Iowa

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:

Sealed proposals will be received by the City Clerk of the City Story City, Iowa, in the office at City Hall, 504 Broad Street, Story City, IA 50248, before 10:30 AM (local time) on September 2, 2020, for the project described as Larson Avenue Water Main Improvements, Story City, Iowa, as hereinafter described in general and as described in detail in the Bidding Requirements and Contract Documents for said improvements now on file in the office of the City Clerk. Proposals will be acted upon by the City Council at a Council meeting to be held at 7:00 PM on September 8, 2020 at City Hall, 504 Broad Street, Story City, Iowa 50248 or at such later time as may be designated at said meeting.

The extent of the work is generally described as follows: The project consists of installation of 1,200 LF of 8-inch water main along the west side of Larson Avenue from 1st Street to Cedar Street. Project includes installation two hydrants and connections to existing water main at three separate locations. Project also includes pavement patches, traffic control and seeding of all disturbed areas.

The Proposal shall be made out on the form furnished by the City of Story City and must be submitted in a sealed envelope and accompanied with a bid security in a separate sealed envelope consisting of either: (1) a certified check, or a cashier's check drawn on an Iowa bank, or a bank chartered under the laws of the United States, in an amount of 5% of bid amount; or (2) a certified share draft drawn on a credit union in Iowa or chartered under the laws of the United States, in an amount of 5% of bid amount; or (3) a bid bond executed by a corporation authorized to contract as a surety in the State of Iowa, in the penal sum of 5% of bid amount.

The bid security shall be made payable to the Treasurer of the City of Story City, Iowa.

The bid security must not contain any conditions either in body or as an endorsement thereon. The bid security shall be forfeited to the municipality as liquidated damages in the event the successful bidder fails or refuses to enter into contract within fifteen (15) days after the award of contract and post bond satisfactory to the municipality insuring the faithful fulfillment of the contract and the maintenance of said work, if required, pursuant to the provisions of this notice and the other contract documents. The municipality will accept bid bond forms that meet the Requirements of Iowa Code, Section 573.

Bidders shall not be permitted to withdraw their bids for a period of forty-five (45) days after the same are opened.

By virtue of statutory authority, preference will be given to products of, provisions grown, and coal produced within the State of Iowa and to Iowa Domestic Labor.

Iowa law provides that on public improvements a resident bidder shall be allowed preference as against a nonresident bidder from a state or foreign country which gives or requires a preference to bidders from that state or foreign country. The preference so allowed shall be equivalent to the preference given or required by the state or foreign country in which the nonresident bidder is a resident.

The right is reserved, as the interest of the City of Story City, Iowa, may require, to reject all bids, any unresponsive bid and to waive technicalities/informalities in bids received.

The work for the proposed contract shall commence within thirty (30) days of the written "Notice to Proceed". The work shall be substantially completed within fifteen (15) working days after commencement of construction but no later than November 6, 2020, and with final completion by November 20, 2020 subject to any changes granted by the Owner.

Payment to the Contractor for said construction will be made in cash. Monthly estimates will be made by the ENGINEER and payment will be made to the CONTRACTOR in the amount of ninety five percent (95%) of said estimate on or about the tenth of the following month. Final payment will be made not sooner than thirty (30) days following final acceptance of the work by the City of Story City, Iowa

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a bond in an amount equal to 100% of the contract price, and said bond to be issued by a responsible surety approved by the Owner and shall guarantee the faithful performance of the contract and the terms and conditions therein contained, and the warranty of the materials and workmanship for not less than four (4) years from the time of acceptance of said improvements by the City Council. Out-of-state bidders shall be prepared to submit an Out-of-State Contractor Bond to the Iowa Division of Labor in accordance with Chapter 91C of the Code of Iowa.

Bidding Requirements and Contract Documents governing the construction of the proposed improvements have been prepared by FOX Engineering Associates, Ames, Iowa, which documents and the proceedings of the City Council referring to and defining said improvements are hereby made a part of this Notice and the proposed contract by reference and the proposed contract shall be executed to comply therewith.

The Owner reserves the right to defer acceptance of any proposal for a period not to exceed forty-five (45) days from the date of receipt of proposals.

Complete digital project bidding documents are available at www.questcdn.com. Prospective bidders may download the digital plan documents at no cost, but must input the Quest project cost number **7239525** on the website's project search page. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, printing, and working with this digital project information. Website registration is necessary to ensure that prospective bidders remain informed of addendum and other essential communications prior to the bid date. If the prospective bidder has a concern about the validity of the digital information downloaded from www.questcdn.com, then prospective bidder shall access the paper copies on file at the Owner's or the Engineer's office to verify the information in question.

Paper copies of said Bidding Requirements and Contract Documents are now on file in the office of the City Clerk/Treasurer, City Hall, Story City, Iowa, for examination by prospective bidders, and prospective bidders may obtain paper copies from FOX Engineering Associates, 414 South 17th Street, Suite 107, Ames, Iowa, 50010. A deposit charge of \$50.00 per set of Bidding Requirements and Contract Documents will be made, all of which will be refunded if returned in reusable condition within 14 days of the Award of Contract. If all documents are not returned in reusable condition and within 14 days, the deposit shall be forfeited.

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Heather Slifka, City Clerk/Treasurer