

City of La Feria
Request for Competitive Sealed Bids
TWBD Project No. 62502

Competitive Sealed Bids for “**Water Distribution Improvements**” will be received at the **City of La Feria, City Hall, 115 E. Commercial Ave., La Feria, TX 78559** until **2:00 PM, October 1, 2013.**

Summary of Work: The proposed project involves construction and installation of approximately 30,000 linear feet of AWWA C 900 DR 18 PVC pressure rated pipe for public drinking water distribution ranging in size from 6" to 12" diameter including installation of gate valves, fire hydrants, and fittings. The project also demands boring across exiting roadways and railways utilizing 3/8" thick welded steel casing of the diameter and length specified in the plans. Bidders must be well acquainted with the rules and regulations established by the 30th TAC Chapter 290 and must be able to demonstrate past experience with construction of public drinking water facilities. Further, bidders must be aware of insurance and safety policies required by Union Pacific pertaining Railway Crossing Permit No's 2801-49, 2801-77, and 2760-24 attached to this set of contract documents.

Contract Documents may be examined and/or obtained at the office of Sigler, Winston, Greenwood & Associates, SWG Engineering LLC., 611 Bill Summers Intl., Blvd., Weslaco, TX 78596.

A payment of one hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in cash, bank or certified check payable to the Engineer will be required for each set of the Contract Documents. Payment is refunded to each document holder of record who returns a complete set of Bidding Documents in good condition within 30 days after opening of Bids.

Each Bid shall be submitted in a sealed envelope bearing the name of the Project in accordance with the Instruction to Bidders and shall be accompanied by a Bid Security or a bank or certified check in the amount of 5% of the bid. Bidders may not withdraw their bid for a period of **Sixty** days (**60**), excluding Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays after the actual date shown above for the receipt of the bid. The Bidding firm must be able to furnish a 100 percent Performance Bond, a 100 percent Payment Bond, and Warranty Bond with a surety company acceptable to the Owner together with the signed Contract when the contract is presented to the owner.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any formalities or to reject any or all Bids if deemed to be in its best interest. Award will be made to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder as determined from their bid as well as the written and verbal response from the information section of the specifications. The project may be awarded as a combination of any or all of the 11 SWG Projects.

This contract is contingent upon release of funds from the Water Development Board. Any contract(s) awarded under this Invitation for Bids is/are expected to be funded in part by a loan or grant from the Texas Water Development Board and a grant from the United States Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. EPA. Neither the State of Texas, the U.S. EPA, nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees, are or will be a party to this Invitation for Bids or any resulting contract.

The Texas Water Development Board's (TWDB) Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund programs receive federal funds from the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). As a condition of federal grant awards, EPA regulations require that loan recipients make a "good faith effort" to award a fair share of work to DBE's who are Minority Business Enterprises (MBE's), and Women-owned Business Enterprises (WBE's) whenever procuring construction, supplies, services and equipment. More information on Disadvantaged Business Enterprise requirements (DBE) is available under section 14. DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES.

CATEGORY	MBE	WBE
CONSTRUCTION	12.94%	8.72%
SUPPLIES	9.68%	9.34%
EQUIPMENT	7.12%	5.39%
SERVICES	10.84%	5.72%

All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy), national origin, age (40 or older), disability or genetic information. Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the Department of Labor regulations 41 CFR Part 60-2 Affirmative Action Programs which include the President's Executive Order No. 11246 as amended by Executive Order 11375.

All laborers and mechanics working on the work site and employed by contractors and subcontractor on projects funded directly by or assisted on whole or in part by any through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund or Drinking Water State Resolving Fund shall be paid wages as described in the section, **Mandatory Davis-Bacon Act Contract Conditions** as contained in the project documents.

Any contracts in excess of \$2,000.00 for construction, alteration or repair (include painting and decoration) and funded under the Clean Water State Revolving Fund and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund programs shall include the **Mandatory Davis-Bacon Act Contract Conditions**.

A Pre-Bid conference is scheduled for, **Monday September 23**, at **2:00 PM**, City of La Feria City Hall at 115 E. Commercial Ave., La Feria, 78559.

The Contract will be awarded based on the lowest Bid received from the lowest responsive, responsible, qualified firm who submitted a complete Bid including all requested information on or before the time and date, and at the place stated in the Invitation for Bid. The term "lowest responsive, responsible, qualified firm" as used herein shall mean the firm whose quotation is the lowest of those firms, possessing the skill, ability, and integrity necessary to the faithful performance of work and who provides the equipment specified or its exact equivalent to obtain the desired results stated in the specifications.

Sunny K. Philip, City Manager
La Feria