

# CITY OF LA FERIA ADVERTISEMENT AND INVITATION TO BID

## Sanitary Sewer System Improvements

The City of La Feria will receive Competitive Sealed Bids for Unit D “**Sanitary Sewer Improvements for West Colonias Phase II**” at **City Hall** located at **115 E. Commercial Ave., La Feria, TX 78559** until **2:00 PM on Thursday, April 14, 2016**.

**Summary of Work:** The proposed project involves construction and installation of approximately 16,600 linear feet of SDR 35 / SDR 26 pipe for sanitary sewer collection ranging in size from 6" to 18" diameter. The project also requires construction of a lift station with 10' diameter FRP monolithic wet-well, factory made duplex 4" horizontal self-prime pumps with skid and factory made control panel, 125 kw generator, odor control unit, and building enclosure all as specified in the plans and specifications. Bidders must be well acquainted with the rules and regulations established by the 30<sup>th</sup> TAC Chapter 217 and must be able to demonstrate past experience with construction of sanitary sewer collection facilities.

Bid/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. Copies may be obtained by depositing one hundred Dollars (\$100.00) in cash, bank or certified check payable to the Engineer for each set of the Bid/Contract Documents. The deposit is refunded to each document holder of record who returns a complete set of Bidding Documents in good condition within 30 days following the Bid opening. **Bidder must be registered as a “plan holder” with SWG to ensure receipt of any addenda issued.** 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 Bond issued by an acceptable surety. A certified check or bank draft payable to the City of La Feria may be submitted in lieu of the Bid Bond. 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 from a U.S. Treasury certified surety company acceptable to the Owner with the signed Contract.**

**Bidders are strongly encouraged to attend a Pre-Bid meeting to be held at La Feria City Hall, 115 E. Commercial Avenue, La Feria, Texas on Wednesday, April 6, 2016 at 2:00 PM.**

Any contract awarded through this bid notice is funded with assistance from the TWDB and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Neither the State of Texas, EPA, nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees, are or will be a party to this Invitation for Bids or any resulting contract. This contract will be subject to all TWDB applicable Federal and State laws and regulations and contingent upon release of funds by TWDB.

The TWDB Clean Water State Revolving Fund program receives federal funds from 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.

EPA's policy requires that applicants and prime contractors make a good faith effort to award a fair share of contracts, subcontracts, and procurements to MBE and WBE owned firms. Although EPA's policy does not mandate that the fair share goals be achieved, it does require applicants

and prime contractors to demonstrate use of the six affirmative steps. Note MBE/WBE contract percentages for the following: Construction 12.94%/8.72%; Supplies 9.68%/9.34%; Equipment 7.12%/5.39%; and Services 10.84%/5.72%.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the prevailing wage rate as issued by the U.S. Department of Labor and contained in the contract documents must be paid in compliance with Davis Bacon and related Act. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability or genetic information. Bidders 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.

The Contract will be awarded based on the lowest Bid received from the lowest responsive, responsible, qualified bidder who submitted a complete Bid including all requested information as well as the written and verbal response from the information section of the specification, on or before the time and date, and at the place stated in the Invitation for Bid. The term "lowest responsive, responsible, qualified bidder" 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.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any formalities or to reject any or all Bids if deemed to be in its best interest.