

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the City Council of the City of Reedley for furnishing all labor, materials, services, and equipment and performing all work necessary for the **REEDLEY CITY STREET IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE 2, CDBG PROJECT No 08571** in the City of Reedley, Fresno County.

Project plans, special provisions, bid package and contract may be obtained at the Office of the City Engineer, 1733 Ninth Street, Reedley, California, 93654, (559) 637-4200, ext. 281. A thirty dollar (\$30.00) charge will be made for specifications. In addition, there will be a five dollar (\$5.00) mailing and handling charge for any plans and specifications mailed. Prospective bidders must be on the plan holders list in order to submit a bid proposal and to receive any addendums issued by the City of Reedley.

The City of Reedley hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religious creed, sex, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The prevailing wage rates as determined by the Director of Industrial Relations of the State of California shall apply to this project. In accordance with the provisions of Section 1770 of the Labor Code, the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations of the State of California has determined the general prevailing rates of wages and employer payments for health and welfare, pension, vacation, travel time, and subsistence pay as provided for Section 1773.8 of the California Labor Code, apprenticeship or other training programs authorized by Section 3093 of said code, and similar purposes applicable to the work to be done. Said wages are on file with the City of Reedley and County of Fresno and are incorporated herein by reference. By submission of a bid, bidder stipulates and agrees to abide by the provisions of the Labor Code related to payment of prevailing wage or promptly pay a penalty of \$50.00 per day per worker paid less than prevailing wage pursuant to the provisions of Labor Code Section 1775. A work day shall not exceed eight hours labor per day or forty (40) hours labor per week. The successful bidder shall keep an accurate record of employees' hours worked by calendar day and week.

Minimum wage rates for this project, as predetermined by the Secretary of Labor, are set forth in the special provisions. If there is a difference between the minimum wage rates predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and the prevailing wage rates determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations of the State of California for similar classifications of labor, the Contractor and his subcontractors shall pay not less than the higher wage rate.

The work to be performed under this contract is on a project assisted under a program providing direct Federal financial assistance from the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Community Development Block Grant Program, and is subject to the

requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 USC 1701u. Section 3 requires that to the greatest extent feasible opportunities for training and employment be given to low and moderate income persons residing within the project area and that the contracts for work in connection with the project be awarded to eligible business concerns which are located in, or owned in substantial part by persons residing in the area of the project. Regulations for implementing the Section 3 clause are contained in 24 CFR 135, as amended, and as specified in the project specifications.

Bids must be filed with the Reedley City Engineer, 1733 Ninth Street, Reedley, not later than 3:00 p.m., November 16, 2009, at which time the Office of the City Engineer of the City of Reedley will open said bids. Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope and marked on the outside of the envelope "Bid – CDBG Project No. 08571, Phase 2," together with the name and address of the bidder. The bids will be opened and read publicly at that time.

Each bid must be accompanied by either a cashier's check, certified check or bidder's bond in a sum equal to at least ten (10%) percent of the total amount bid. Checks or bonds must be made payable to the City of Reedley; such securities shall be a guarantee that the bidder, if his bid is accepted, will enter into a satisfactory contract and furnish a good and sufficient bond for faithful performance thereof and for payment of labor and material costs in accordance with the requirements of the plans and specifications.

No contract will be awarded to a Contractor who has not been licensed in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 791, Statutes of 1929, as amended, or whose bid is not on the proposal form included in the contract documents. An appropriate and valid California Contractor's License is required for the project. A C-12 or Class A Contractors license is required or the appropriate combination of specialty licenses.

All questions regarding interpretation or clarification of bid specifications must be directed to the City Engineer. All interpretations, clarifications or changes will be made in writing by the City Engineer at 1733 Ninth Street, Reedley, CA, 93654, and provided to all prospective bidders. The City will not be responsible for any oral interpretations to bidders.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any informality in bids received, or to award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder complying with these instructions as may serve the best interest of the City of Reedley. The City reserves the right to award the contract to other than the lowest bidder if it appears that the best interests of the City of Reedley will be served thereby.

Bruce Webber
City Engineer
City of Reedley