

ADVERTISEMENT/INVITATION FOR BIDS REQUEST FOR SEALED PROPOSALS

PROJECT: P931 Street Improvements Project for City of Rio Hondo CDBG #CDV21-0190

DESCRIPTION: Work of the Project consists of the reconstruction of Parker/Retama Road, Ramon Street, and Heywood Street by either including sub-grade, and flexible base materials, prime coat, and hot mix asphalt, as well as the implementation of curb and gutter only within Ramon Street.

PROPOSAL DUE DATE: February 8, 2023

TIME: 3:00 PM

The City of Rio Hondo will receive sealed bids for the project described above, until **3:00 P.M. local time on February 8, 2023**, at the City Manager's office, ATTN: Ben Medina 121 N. Arroyo Blvd. Rio Hondo, Texas 78583 and then will be opened and publicly read aloud at Commissioner Chambers at 3:10 P.M. on February 7, 2023, at 121 N. Arroyo Blvd. Rio Hondo, Texas.

One (1) pre-bid conference will be conducted by the Owner on **January 26, 2023, at 10:00 A.M.** The pre-bid conference shall be conducted at Commissioners Chambers at 121 N. Arroyo Blvd. Rio Hondo, Texas 78583. **Attendance by prospective Bidders is not mandatory.** Sub-contractors, suppliers, and equipment suppliers may attend.

Bids Documents may be purchased by bidders upon receipt of a cashier's check, certified check, money order, company check, or personal check in the amount of **\$150.00** for each set, made payable to Expressway Printing located at 2020 East Expressway 83 Suit #4, Mercedes, Texas 78570, phone # (956) 565-4637. The **\$150.00** cost includes the Project Manual w/Specifications and one full-sized set of Drawings. Plans Specifications and bidding documents are also available at www.civcast.com

Neither the State of Texas nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees are or will be a party to this Invitation for Bids or any resulting contract.

A Bid bond in the amount of 5% of the largest possible total bid, including consideration of alternates or cash allowances, must accompany each proposal. Bid bonds shall be prepared as described in the Project Manual. Failure to provide the bid bond will constitute a non-responsive proposal and the proposal will not be considered. Bidders are encouraged to visit the site and assess existing conditions.

The successful bidder will be required to provide 100% performance and payment bonds. Failure to do so will result in forfeiture of the 5% bond to City of Rio Hondo as liquidated damages. Bonds shall be prepared on AIA Form 310 as described in the Project Manual. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days.

The project to be constructed will be financed with assistance from the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and is subject to all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations. Attention is called to the fact that not less than, the federally determined prevailing (Davis-Bacon and Related Acts) wage rate, as issued by the Texas Department of Agriculture Office of Rural Affairs and contained in the contract documents, must be paid on this project. In addition, the successful bidder must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual identity, gender identity, or national origin. Adherence to the grant recipient's Section 3 Policy is required for contracts and subcontracts in excess of \$100,000.00.

The City of Rio Hondo reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding.

Bids may be held by the City of Rio Hondo for a period not to exceed **90 days** from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the bidder's qualifications prior to the contract award.

All contractors/subcontractors whose System for Award Management (SAM.gov) registration is not active or that are debarred, suspended or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation on federal assistance programs may not undertake any activity in part or in full under this project. Minority Business Enterprises, Small Business Enterprises, and Women Business Enterprises, and Historically Underutilized Business firms are encouraged to submit bids.