

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

OF CONSTRUCTION BIDS

BIDS TO BE RECEIVED Wednesday, October 23, 2019

Sealed bids will be received by the CITY OF KNOXVILLE at their offices in Room 667-674, City County Building, 400 Main Avenue, Knoxville, TN 37901, until 11 AM EDT, Wednesday, October 23, 2019 and opened publicly at Room 667-674, City County Building, 400 Main Avenue, Knoxville, TN 37901 at that hour. The reading of the bids will begin at 11 AM EDT.

> TDOT PIN: 110262.00 Federal Project No.: HPP-9109(142) State Project No.: 47LPLM-F3-052

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project includes I-275 Business Park Access Improvements; Construction of new roadway from Blackstock Avenue and Fifth Avenue to Bernard Avenue, and Roadway Improvements to Marion Street from Bernard Avenue to Baxter Avenue. Project Length = 0.538 miles. Completion Time is ON or BEFORE 450 days from Notice to Proceed.

PROPOSAL CONTRACTS WILL BE ISSUED UNTIL THE TIME SET FOR OPENING BIDS

A Prime Contractor must prequalify with the Department of Transportation in accordance with Section 54-5-117 of the "Tennessee Code Annotated" and Tennessee Department of Transportation Rule 1680-5-3 prequalification of contractors before biddable proposals will be furnished.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the City of Knoxville, Engineering Department, Room 301, 3131 Morris Avenue at 2:00PM on Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at 10:00AM EDT.

The CITY OF KNOXVILLE hereby notifies all bidders that a **9%** Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal has been set for this project and must be met or exceeded. All DBE firms must be TNUCP certified. A listing of these firms can be found on TDOT's Small Business Development website and pre-qualified by the TDOT Construction Division as stated in the Local Government Guidelines Manual.

The CITY OF KNOXVILLE hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged 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 age, race, color, religion, national origin, sex or disability in consideration for an award.

The CITY OF KNOXVILLE is an equal opportunity affirmative action employer, drug-free with policies of non-discrimination on the basis of race, sex, religion, color, national or ethnic origin, age, disability or military service. The CITY OF KNOXVILLE's telephone number is (865) 215-2070.

THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS IS RESERVED

Project plans, specifications, and bid packages may be obtained from the Engineering Department after completing the Bid Document Request Form available on the City of Knoxville's procurement website at www.knoxvilletn.gov/purchasing. Completed Bid Document Forms shall be emailed to civilengineeringplans@knoxvilletn.gov/purchasing. Completed Bid Document Forms shall be emailed to civilengineeringplans@knoxvilletn.gov. You will then receive a response email containing a link to download PDF files of the project plans, specifications, & bid packages. The deadline for questions on the project is Wednesday, October 16, 2019.

NOTE TO PUBLISHER: The above notice is to be published no later than **Friday, September 27, 2019.** It is permissible and desirable that ads be run as soon as possible after receipt.