ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDDERS

Sealed proposals will be received by the City of Griffin, City Manager's Conference Room, 3rd Floor, 100 S. Hill Street, Griffin, Georgia, 30223,

until: 2:00 PM, local time, April 13, 2021

for the Project known as:

CITY OF GRIFFIN 2020 GEFA LOAN SLUDGE DEWATERING AND DRYING FACILITIES

at which time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Proposals received after the designated time will not be considered. The OWNER of the project is the City of Griffin. The ENGINEER for the project is Paragon Consulting Group, Inc.

The approximate extent and character of the Work is generally described as follows:

The City of Griffin, Georgia is converting their sludge disposal process from liquid land application to a dewatering and drying process. This will allow disposal of the dried class A sludge in a landfill or other options in the future. The overall project will include the construction of four (4) 1,200 s.f. pre-engineered buildings at four (4) separate facilities as well as one (1) 9,600 s.f. dryer facility at one of the sites. The overall project sites are identified as follows:

Project A: Shoal Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant

Central Sludge Drying and Screw Press Facility

Project B: Potato Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant

Screw Press Facility

Project C: Simmons Water Treatment Plant

Screw Press Facility

Project D: Still Branch Water Treatment Plant

Screw Press Facility

Project A will include the construction of a 9,600 s.f. dryer facility at the Shoal Creek WWTP which will house a gas-fired dryer and a receiving hopper to store the sludge as it is fed into the dryer. This facility will also house a screw press to dewater sludge directly from the Shoal Creek WWTP facility. The work at Project A Shoal Creek WWTP will involve clearing, grading, asphalt paving, and concrete paving. Construction will include an exterior concrete retaining wall and interior concrete walls to create a pit within the building in the sludge hopper location. Construction will also include various yard piping and an 880 linear foot 6-inch water main extension.

Project B, Project C, and Project D sites include construction of a 1,200 s.f. pre-engineering building at each location. Each building will house a screw press for dewatering sludge at each facility. A shed attached to the buildings will provide cover for a trailer to receive the dewatered sludge from the screw press. The dewatered sludge from each dewatering facility will be delivered to the drying facility at Shoal Creek WWTP (Project A).

The Owner will purchase two major process equipment components for the project; the Gryphon

sludge dryer and four (4) FKC screw presses. Two of the facilities will have a diesel-powered generator to provide backup electrical power. The Contractor will be responsible for installing and making the equipment functional.

This project is being funded partially by a Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loan and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) by the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA). All applicable rules, regulations and wage rates will be followed for the entire scope of this project.

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) public law 113-76, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014 (Act) includes an "American Iron and Steel" (AIS) requirement that requires State Revolving Loan Fund (SRF) assistance recipients to use iron and steel products that are produced in the United States for work in this project.

Bidding Documents/Project Manual must be obtained by prospective Bidders at the Issuing Office: Paragon Consulting Group, Inc., 350 Airport Road, Griffin, Georgia 30224, 770-412-7700.

In order to obtain a complete set of Bidding Documents/Project Manual and be on record as an Official Bidder prospective Bidder shall provide a copy of current Utility Contractor License as issued by the State of Georgia together with non-refundable payment of \$350.00. Bidder shall also provide a letter from the Surety Company verifying the Bidder has the bonding capacity as outlined for the project and that the Surety Company will bond projects for Contractor as outlined in the specifications. Prospective bidders must submit the required information no later than 2:00PM on Thursday, April 8, 2021 to be considered a Bidder of Record. The OWNER is not obligated to consider a Bidder's proposal if Bidder is not on record with the Issuing Office as having submitted the required documents by this time or not on record as having received complete Bidding Documents from the Issuing Office.

A <u>mandatory pre-bid conference</u> will be held on Wednesday, March 24, 2021 at 10:00AM at the City of Griffin Shoal Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant, 2940 West Ellis Road, Griffin, Georgia 30224. <u>Prospective bidders must attend the pre-bid conference to be eligible to bid on the project and may contact Paragon Consulting Group at (770) 412-7700 with any questions about the meeting location. Contractors are advised to have subcontractors and suppliers/installers in attendance at the pre-bid conference.</u>

Contractor questions regarding the bid should be directed to Jason Graham via email at jgraham@pcgeng.com. All questions must be submitted in writing. The last day for contractor questions is Wednesday, April 7, 2021 at 5:00 PM.

Bidding Documents/Project Manual may be reviewed at the Issuing Office: Paragon Consulting Group, Inc., 350 Airport Road, Griffin, Georgia 30224, 770-412-7700; Construction Market Data (www.cmdgroup.com); Dodge Data & Analytics (www.construction.com); ConstructConnect (www.constructconnect.com).

The time allowed for Substantial Completion is <u>425 days</u>, and the time allowed for completion and readiness for final payment is <u>455 days</u> from the date of commencement.

Each Bid must be accompanied by a Bid Bond completed on the attached Bid Bond Form with good and sufficient surety or sureties approved by the owner for faithful acceptance of the contract,

payable to, in favor of, and for the protection of the OWNER in an amount equivalent to five (5%) of the total amount payable by the terms of the contract, in lieu thereof, in the form of a certified check, cashier's check, or cash in equal amount.

Performance and Payment Bonds, each in an amount at least equal to **110** percent of the contract amount, and a Certification of Insurance will be required.

A Certification of Insurance will be required from the low bidder prior to award of the Contract.

All Bids will remain subject to acceptance for <u>ninety</u> days after the day of the Bid opening, but OWNER may, in its sole discretion, release any Bid and return the Bid security prior to that date.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, to waive formalities and re-advertise.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS:

TITLE VI OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964, AS APPLIED THROUGH THE CIVIL RIGHTS RESTORATION ACT OF 1987 - The CITY OF GRIFFIN, GEORGIA, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4, as amended by The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, hereby notifies all bidders that no person shall on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age, and handicap/disability, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity conducted by the recipient regardless of whether those programs, services, and activities are federally-funded or not. Further, it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises as defined at 49 CFR Part 23 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, national origin, sex, age, handicap/disabled in consideration for an award.

AVISO A LOS LICITANTES:

TÍTULO VI DE LA LEY DE DERECHOS CIVILES DE 1964, TAL COMO SE APLICA A TRAVÉS DE LA LEY DE RESTAURACIÓN DE LOS DERECHOS CIVILES DE 1987 - La ciudad de GRIFFIN, GEORGIA, conforme título VI de la ley de derechos civiles de 1964, 42 U.S.C. 2000D 2000 d-4, modificada por la ley de restauración de derechos civiles de 1987, por la presente notifica a todos los licitadores que ninguna persona será por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, edad y discapacidad/discapacidad, excluida de la participación en, ser negada los beneficios de , o de lo contrario sometidos a discriminación bajo cualquier programa o actividad llevada a cabo por el destinatario sin importar si aquellos programas, servicios y actividades son financiadas por el gobierno federal o no. Además, afirmativamente se asegurará que en cualquier contrato celebrado de conformidad con este anuncio, las empresas desfavorecidas como definido en 49 CFR parte 23 tendrán oportunidad de presentar ofertas en respuesta a esta invitación y que no se discrimine por motivos de raza, color, origen nacional, sexo, edad, discapacidad/discapacitados en consideración para un premio.

CITY OF GRIFFIN PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES BRANT D. KELLER, PHD

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