

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

OF CONSTRUCTION BIDS

BIDS TO BE RECEIVED Wednesday, February 22, 2017

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Knoxville at their offices in Room 667-674, City County Building, 400 Main Avenue, Knoxville, Tennessee 37901, until 11:00 AM EST, Wednesday, February 22, 2017 and opened publicly at that hour. The reading of the bids will begin at 11:00 AM EST.

TDOT PIN: 107380.00 Federal Project No.: HPP-9109(118) State Project No.: 47LPLM-F3-022 City of Knoxville Project No.: 12B-R-0518

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Jackson Avenue Streetscapes (Upper Second Creek Greenway) Project consists of the construction of concrete sidewalk, curb, base, pave, pavement markings, drainage, signing, landscape, retaining wall, electric and communication utilities. The total project length is approximately 1,377 linear feet (0.261 miles).

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the City of Knoxville, Engineering Department, Room 301, 3131 Morris Avenue at <u>11:00</u> a.m. on <u>Wednesday, February 8, 2017</u>.

Inquiries pertaining to this project shall be made in writing and be in the hands of the Purchasing Agent by close of the business day on <u>February 15, 2017</u>. Questions can be submitted by letter, fax (865-215-2277), or by email to the Purchasing Agent of the City of Knoxville (<u>bhevans@knoxvilletn.gov</u>); or City County Building; 400 Main Street; Room 667-674; P.O. Box 1631; Knoxville, TN 37901.

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.

The City of Knoxville hereby notifies all bidders that a 9.5% Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal has been set for this project and must be met or exceeded.

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. You will then receive a response email containing a link to download PDF files of the project plans, specifications, and bid packages.

Drawings, Specifications, and other Contract Documents may be examined at the Knoxville Builders Exchange, Urban League, Black Contractors Association, the Purchasing Division of the City of Knoxville, and can be reviewed online at the iSqFt website @ www.isqft.com.

NOTE TO PUBLISHER: The above notice is to be published no later than **Sunday, January 29, 2017.** It is permissible and desirable that ads be run as soon as possible after receipt.