

INVITATION TO BID ADVERTISEMENT

BID # 140902
INVITATION FOR BIDS
TxCDBG Contract No. 713061/TWDB-CWSRF 73602

The County of Cameron will receive sealed bids for sanitary sewer system improvements for Alto Real and Bixby subdivisions in La Feria until 11:00 a.m. on September 30, 2014 at the Cameron County Purchasing Department at Cameron County Courthouse (Dancy Building), 1100 E. Monroe St., Suite 345 Brownsville, Texas 78520. Bids will be opened in the Purchasing Department - 3rd Floor, Room # 345 at 11:01 a.m. on deadline date. Bids must include one (1) original of the Bid. Bids enveloped must be titled/referenced: ATT: Purchasing Dept. Sealed Bid # 140902 Project Name: Sanitary Sewer Improvements for Alto Real & Bixby Subdivision-La Feria - TDA TxCDBG CONTRACT NO. 713061.

Bids are invited for several items and quantities of work as follows:

1. First time sewer improvements and rehabilitation of single unit sewer service and all associated appurtenances.

Bid/Contract Documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications are on file and may be examined and/or obtained at Sigler Winston Greenwood & Associates (SWG), 611 Bill Summers Intl. Blvd, Weslaco, Texas 78596, (956)968-2194. Copies may be obtained by depositing \$100 with SWG for each set of documents. The deposit will be refunded to each document holder of record who returns a complete set of Bidding Documents in good condition within 10 days following the bid opening. Bidder must be registered as a "plan holder" with SWG to ensure receipt of any addenda issued.

A bid bond in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid issued by an acceptable Surety shall be submitted with each bid. A certified check or bank draft payable to the County of Cameron or negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (as par value) may be submitted in lieu of the Bid Bond.

A pre-bid conference will be held at the La Feria City Hall on Monday, September 22, 2014 at 2:00 PM. Complete instructions for filing bids are included in the "Instruction to Bidders."

The project to be constructed pursuant to this contract will be financed with assistance from the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) and the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) as delineated by the proposal sheet. This contract is subject to all TDA and TWDB applicable Federal and State laws and regulations and contingent upon release of funds by Texas Water Development Board.

The TWDB's Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) programs receive federal funds from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). As a condition of federal grant awards, this contract is subject to EPA "fair share goals" for Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) and Women-owned Business Enterprise (WBE) firms in the construction, supplies, equipment, and services procurement categories. EPA's policy requires that applicants and prime contractors make a good faith effort to award a fair share of contracts, subcontracts, and procurements to MBE and WBE owned firms. Although EPA's policy does not mandate that the fair share goals be achieved, it does require applicants and prime contractors to demonstrate use of the six affirmative steps. Note MBE/WBE contract percentages for the following: Construction: 12.94%/8.72%; Supplies: 9.68%/9.34%; Equipment: 7.12%/5.39%; Services: 10.84%/5.72%. Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order 11246 as amended by Executive Order 11375, and as supplemented by 41 CFR Part 60.

Attention is called to the fact that no less than, the federally determined prevailing (Davis-Bacon and Related Acts) wage rate, as issued by the U.S. Department of Labor and contained in the contract documents, must be paid on the project. In addition, the successful bidder must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, age or national origin. The County of Cameron reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding. Bids may be held by the County of Cameron for a period not to exceed 60 (sixty) days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigation of the bidders qualifications prior to the contract award.

All contractors/subcontractors 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.

CAMERON COUNTY IS AN EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.
Small and minority firms are encouraged to submit bids on this project.

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