LEGAL NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners in and for Lake County at their office in the Lake County Administration Center, 105 Main Street, Suite A513, Painesville, Ohio 44077; up to the hour of 11:00 AM Local Time on <u>April 3, 2024</u>, and read publicly thereafter in the Commissioners' Chambers at the above address, for the following improvement project:

Wintergreen Hill Storm Sewer Crossovers and Ditch Improvement Project Estimate of Cost: <u>\$158,428.03</u>

Said improvements shall be in accordance with specifications and proposal forms on file with the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners. The Bid Package may be obtained upon receipt of payment of \$40.00, from the Office of Northeast Blueprint & Supply at 1230 E 286th St, Cleveland, OH 44132, (216-261-7500), <u>https://northeastblueprint.com/</u>, during weekday business hours from 8:00am to 5:00pm. Checks shall be made payable to Northeast Blueprint & Supply.

Prospective Bidders must purchase a Bidder's Package (1 full size set (24"x36") of plans and 1 specification book) for \$40.00, exclusive of shipping charges, in order to be considered a BIDDER. PAYMENT FOR PACKAGES AND ADDITIONAL PLANS AND SPECIFICATION BOOKS WILL NOT BE REFUNDED.

The work covered by the plans and specifications includes: storm piping and structures, linear grading and ditch excavation, erosion control installation and maintenance, stabilization/restoration, etc. All work under this contract shall be completed by **June 14th, 2024**.

Proposals shall be in a sealed envelope and addressed to the Board of Lake County Commissioners, Lake County Administration Center, 105 Main Street, Painesville, Ohio 44077, and marked "Wintergreen Hill Storm Sewer Crossovers and Ditch Improvement Project-2024".

Questions shall be submitted in writing to Steven Houser, P.E. at Lake County Stormwater Management Department, 105 Main St, Suite A305, Painesville Ohio, 44077, steven.houser@lakecountyohio.gov, 440-350-5903 prior to the end of business on March 28, 2024.

Pursuant to R.C. 153.01 et seq., the bid must be accompanied by an original sealed document in the form of a bond for the full amount (100%) of the bid, **OR** by a certified check, cashier's check, or irrevocable letter of credit equal to ten percent (10%) of the amount bid, drawn on a solvent bank located in Lake County and payable to the Treasurer of Lake County, Ohio, as surety that if the proposal is accepted, a contract will be entered into and its performance properly secured. Should any bid be rejected said surety shall forthwith be returned to the bidder and should any bid be accepted such bid bond, certified check, cashier's check, or letter of credit will be returned to the bidder upon proper execution and securing of the contract.

Mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting: A mandatory pre-bid site meeting will be held at the project site at <u>10:00am</u> on <u>March 27, 2024</u>. All Bidders are required to attend to familiarize themselves with the project location and site conditions. A Bidder or representative must attend for the bid to be considered eligible.

No bidder shall be considered a responsive and responsible bidder or eligible to be awarded the contract to which this Notice or Bid Specifications apply, if the bidder is listed on the Auditor of State's Database as having a "Finding of Recovery" as that term is defined in R.C. 9.24. No bidder shall be considered a responsive and responsible bidder or eligible to be awarded the contract to which this Notice or Bid Specifications apply unless the bidder has completed a certification that the bidder is in compliance with R.C. 3517.13. A copy of the certification is included with the instructions to bidders and must be submitted with the bid.

Proposals shall be subject to the conditions that the right is reserved to hold bids for a period not longer than sixty (60) days after date of bid opening and/or to award the contract at any time during said period.

The successful bidder will be required to execute the contract within ten (10) days after the award of the work to him/her, and he/she shall furnish acceptable bond or surety, if not filed previously to the satisfaction of the County of Lake, Ohio for the faithful performance of said contract in the sum of one hundred percent (100%) of the total amount of the bid. In case of failure to execute the contract as stated or to furnish bond and/or surety, the bidder shall be considered to have abandoned the contract and is then liable for the difference between his/her bid and the next lowest bid, not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the amount bid.

The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, or to increase or decrease or omit any item or items and/or to award to the lowest and/or best bidder. Each proposal must contain the full name of every person or company interested in the same.

Wage Rates – Each employee employed by the contractor or any subcontractor and engaged in work on the project under this contract shall be paid the prevailing wage established by the Department of Industrial Relations of the State of Ohio, as provided by the appropriate Sections of the Ohio Revised Code. This shall occur regardless of any contractual relationship which may be said to exist between the contractor or any subcontractor and such employee.

You may also access this Legal Notice to Bidders via the internet at <u>www.lakecountyohio.org</u>, click on *Legal Notices to Bidders* on the left side to link to the Legal Notices site.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS in and for Lake County, Ohio.

John T. Plecnik, President John R. Hamercheck, Commissioner Richard J. Regovich, Commissioner Jennifer Bell, Clerk

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