LEGAL NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners in and for Lake County via the Bid Express website (www.bidexpress.com) or paper bid in a sealed envelope at their office in the Lake County Administration Building, 105 Main St., Suite A513, Painesville, Ohio 44077; up to the hour of 11:00 AM Local Time on November 8, 2023, and read publicly thereafter in the Commissioners' Chambers at the above address, for the following improvement project:

<u>Paine Road Retaining Wall and Bridge Replacement, Leroy Township, Ohio, LCE Project No. 2022-014</u>
Engineer's or Architect's Estimate of Cost: \$2,650,000.00 to \$2,930,000.00

Said improvements shall be in accordance with specifications and bid forms on file with the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners.

Proposal, plans, and specifications may be obtained from www.bidexpress.com. Contractors and subcontractors can view and download information free of charge. All online bidders must register with Bid Express to bid on projects (please allow time for processing). Submission of an online bid requires payment to Bid Express of \$40/bid, or a monthly subscription of \$50 for unlimited bidding. For bidders preferring to submit paper bids, the Bid Set may be obtained from the Office of James R. Gills, P.E., P.S., Lake County Engineer, 105 Main St., Suite. A205, Painesville, Ohio 44077 (440-350-2770). The bidder is responsible to make arrangements for pickup and payment of the bid documents during weekday business hours from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Checks in the amount of \$15.00 (NON-REFUNDABLE) shall be made payable to the Lake County Engineer. Bidders shall allow the County up to three business days for printing of paper bid documents. Sealed Bids shall be addressed to the Board of Lake County Commissioners, Lake County Administration Building, 105 Main St., Suite 513, Painesville, Ohio 44077, and marked "Paine Road Retaining Wall and Bridge Replacement".

The work covered by the plans and specifications includes: all plant fabrication, labor, equipment, supplies and materials in performing all operations necessary for the replacement of an existing retaining wall and culvert on Paine Road in Leroy Township with the construction of a drilled shaft with soldier piles and lagging retaining wall and a reinforced concrete 3-sided frame culvert on spread footings and all proposed appurtenances. The work also includes pavement planning, asphalt intermediate and surface courses, guardrail, storm sewer and related items. All work under this contract shall be completed by **Friday, September 6, 2024**.

Pursuant to R.C. 153.01 et. seq., the bid must be accompanied by an original sealed document (uploaded for online bidders) 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 bid is accepted, a contract will be entered into and its performance properly secured. **All online Bidders must submit original within 3 days** of bid opening. 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.

All online Bidders must submit their original Form of Non-collusion Affidavit within 3 days of bid opening to be considered a complete bid.

No bidder shall be considered 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.

The provisions of the Ohio Administration Code 123:2-3-02 regarding Equal Employment Opportunity on State Construction Contracts and State-Assisted Construction Contracts; and the Ohio Administrative Code 123:2-3-02 regarding Equal Employment Opportunity and Female Utilization Goals are applicable to this project, and each contractor will be required to comply in all aspects to the provisions of said executive order.

"DOMESTIC STEEL USE REQUIREMENTS AS SPECIFIED IN SECTION 153.011 OF THE REVISED CODE APPLY TO THIS PROJECT. COPIES OF SECTION 153.011 OF THE REVISED CODE CAN BE OBTAINED FROM ANY OF THE OFFICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES."

Bids 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. ORC 153.011 may apply. Each bid must contain the full name of every party or all parties submitting the bid. Each bidder must submit evidence of its experience on projects of similar size and complexity. All contractors and subcontractors shall comply with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Ohio Administrative Code Chapter 123, the Governor's Executive Order of 1972 and Governor's Executive Order 84-9. The contract shall be awarded to the lowest and best bidder.

Wage Rates – Each employee employed by the contractor or any subcontractor and engaged in work on the project under this contract shall be paid prevailing wage rates for Public Improvements as provided by the appropriate Sections of the Ohio Revised Code. For further information, contact OBES Wage and Hour Division (614) 644-2239 or contact the Lake County Prevailing Wage Coordinator (440) 350-2770. This shall occur regardless of any contractual relationship which may be said to exist between the contractor or any subcontractor and such employee.

Bidders may also access this Legal Notice to Bidders via the internet at www.lakecountyohio.org/commissioners, click on the Legal Notices to Bidders tab to link to the Legal Notices site, and the Ohio Newspaper Association public notices website, www.publicnoticesohio.com

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

John R. Hamercheck, President John Plecnik, Commissioner Richard J. Regovich, Commissioner

Jennifer Bell, Clerk

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