

INVITATION TO BID -

Notice is hereby given that electronic bids for construction of the **UM Sewer Force Main Replacement Project** will be received by the Missoula City Clerk Office at 435 Ryman Street, Missoula, MT, 59802 until **1:00 p.m. local time on February 5, 2020**. The bids will then be publicly opened and read aloud at the **Mayor's Conference Room, City of Missoula, 412 Ryman Street, Missoula, MT 59802**.

The project is funded by the City of Missoula and is subject to all applicable state and local regulations as indicated within the specifications. All work must be substantially complete within 45 calendar days after the commencement date stated in the notice to proceed. Notice to proceed is anticipated after May 10, 2020 with completion required prior to August 10, 2020.

The site of the work is located within 2 blocks of Maurice Avenue, from the intersection of S 6th St E, and includes two blocks to the north, in Missoula, Montana. The work generally includes Installation of approximately 800 linear feet of sanitary sewer force main, connection to existing manhole, abandonment of existing sewer force main, surface restoration including asphalt patching, sidewalk, curb & gutter, topsoil and seeding, striping, and related work in accordance with the Plans and Specifications.

The City of Missoula requires bidders submit electronic bids as prescribed on the City's electronic bidding site, www.questcdn.com. Prospective Bidders must purchase contract documents through QuestCDN. QuestCDN is a web-based platform for construction project advertisements, bid documents distribution and plan holder lists. Prospective bidders will need the seven-digit QuestCDN project number (#6661239) to locate the job on the QuestCDN website search page. Bids will not be accepted from any prospective bidder who has not purchased contract documents through QuestCDN.

Obtaining bidding documents and submitting a bid:

1. Proceed to the City of Missoula web site www.ci.missoula.mt.us/bids, click on the "e-bidding site". You then will be directed to the City's QuestCDN electronic bidding project list.
2. Select the project listed in this advertisement from the list of projects. Prospective bidders may view the bid documents at no cost under 'view bid documents'. To be considered a plan holder, you must register for a free membership on QuestCDN and download the contract documents in digital form under 'download bid documents'. There is a non-refundable fee of \$15.00 to download the documents. Planholders that wish to bid the project, will be required to pay an additional non-refundable fee of \$30.00.
3. You will be asked to sign into your account or create a free QuestCDN account by clicking the 'join' link. Contact QuestCDN at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in membership registration, downloading the project and vbid online bid submittal.
4. The QuestCDN ebiddoc number for this project is: 6661239.
5. To access the bid form, click the online bidding button at the top of bid advertisement. The on-line bid button will be available when the project is published and open for bidding.
6. All addendums will be issued through the City's QuestCDN electronic bidding site. You must download the bid documents to be a plan holder and receive any addenda. It is the sole responsibility of the contractor, subcontractor, vendor and/or any individual and/or corporation to review all addendums twenty-four (24) hours prior to bid.

In addition, the bid proposal may also be examined at the following location:

Missoula Plans Exchange Phone: (406) 549-5002 Email: mpe@vemcoinc.com

Each bid or proposal (only electronic bids will be accepted) must be accompanied by a Certified Check, Cashier's Check, or Bid Bond payable to the City of Missoula, in an amount not less than ten percent

(10%) of the total amount of the bid. Successful Bidders shall furnish an approved Performance Bond and a Labor and Materials Payment Bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount. Insurance, as required, shall be provided by the successful Bidder(s) and a certificate(s) of that insurance shall be provided.

Contractors bidding on this project must have prior experience performing the type of work included within this project. The Bidder is required to submit proof of experience, on the forms provided within the bid documents, demonstrating their performance of work of a similar nature. Lack of experience in successfully completing projects of a similar size, with similar complexity may be construed as constituting a non-qualified bidder as determined by the City of Missoula. Bidder shall also have at least one (1) American Concrete Institute (ACI) Certified Flatwork Finisher on-site at all times during placement and finishing on any/all public infrastructure concrete such as curb/gutter, sidewalk, approaches, etc. construction within the City of Missoula. Bidder shall include the name and Certification I.D number of the certified finisher on the Bid Form.

The contractor and any of the contractor's subcontractors doing work on this project will be required to obtain registration with the Montana Department of Labor and Industry (DLI) except as listed in MCA 39-9-211. Information on registration can be obtained from the Department of Labor and Industry by calling 1-406-444-7734. The Contractor is required to have registered with the DLI prior to bidding on this project. All laborers and mechanics employed by contractor or subcontractors in performance of this construction work shall be paid wages at rates as may be required by law.

There will be a non-mandatory pre-bid conference for interested bidders at the Missoula Water Conference Room, 1345 West Broadway, Missoula, MT 59802 2:00 p.m. local time on Wednesday, January 29, 2020.

The contractor performing work on a "Public Works contract" shall not pay less than the latest Montana Labor Standard Provisions minimum wage as determined by the U.S. Secretary of Labor. A copy of said wage rate is attached as part of the contract documents.

The contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against on the basis of race, ancestry, color, physical or mental disability, religion, national origin, sex, age, marital or familial status, creed, ex-offender status, physical condition, political belief, public assistance status or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, except where these criteria are reasonable bona fide occupational qualifications.

Successful contractors and vendors are required to comply with City of Missoula Business Licensing requirements.

The City of Missoula reserves the right to waive informalities, to reject any and all bids, and, if all bids are rejected, to re-advertise under the same or new specifications, or to make such an award as in the judgment of its officials best meets the City's requirements.

All questions about the meaning or intent of the Contract Documents are to be submitted in writing to the Engineer, Andy Schultz, P.E. of WGM Group (aschultz@wgmgroupp.com). Questions submitted after **12:00 pm local time on January 29, 2020** are not guaranteed to be answered before the bid due date and time.

The City of Missoula provides accommodations for any known disability that may interfere with a person's ability to participate in any service, program, or activity of the City. To request accommodation, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (406)552-6079.

Bid announcements and bid results are posted on the city's website at www.ci.missoula.mt.us/bids and on the City of Missoula's QuestCDN webpage.

Martha L. Rehbein, CMC

City Clerk

PUBLICATION NOTICE DATES:

January 19, 2020

January 26, 2020

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