
INVITATION TO BID

PART 1. GENERAL

1.1 COMPETITIVE COST SEALED BIDS

Sealed bids for construction of the **S.R. 81 and Asbury Street, Water System Improvements** will be received **until 2:00 PM on November 7, 2013 at 110 West Clark Street Oxford, Georgia 30054**, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud. **Any bid received after said time and date will not be considered by the Owner.** No bid may be withdrawn after the closing time for the receipt of bids for a period of sixty (60) days except as specifically may be provided in the Instructions to Bidder and /or by State law.

1.2 SCOPE OF WORK

The work to be completed shall consist of furnishing all labor, equipment, and materials necessary to furnish and install approximately 9,000 L.F. of 8" D.I.P water mains complete with fire hydrants, valves, reconnection of existing water services, driveway replacement, roadway replacement, tree removal and replanting, earthwork, grassing, soil erosion and sediment control measures, traffic control and appurtenances necessary to provide a complete installation.

Time allotted for completion of work is **210 consecutive calendar days**. All Work shall be completed in accordance with the plans and specifications. The Work will be awarded in **one (1) Contract**.

1.3 PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents are on file at CARTER & SLOOPE, INC. Copies may be obtained from CARTER & SLOOPE, INC., Carter & Sloope, Inc., 1031 Stonebridge Parkway, Watkinsville, Georgia 30677, Phone: 706-769-4119, Fax: 706-769-4546, upon payment of **\$250 for each full size set or \$150 for each half-size set** (non-refundable). A copy of your check is needed in order to ship the documents. You can fax it to the fax number above or email a scanned copy to lbritt@cartersloope.com. All plans and documents will be shipped via UPS Ground. If you choose to have them shipped overnight or via another carrier, please submit your Fed Ex Overnight or UPS Express account number.

1.4 CONTRACTOR LICENSE

The Scope of Work as described herein is defined as “utility contracting” in accordance with O.C.G.A 43-14-2(17) so the Contractor performing the work must provide proof of a valid license by the State of Georgia as a “Utility Contractor” and must also employ a “Utility Manager” certification holder who will have oversight of all the work. **Therefore, the Contractor submitting a bid must list the license number of the Contractor performing**

the utility contracting on the face of the bid envelope and on the bid form and provide proof of a valid license with the bid. No bid will be opened unless it contains the Contractor's Utility License Number on the envelope. See Instruction to Bidders for additional bidding requirements.

1.5 BONDS

Bids shall be accompanied by a bid bond or certified cashier's check in an amount not less than 10% of the base bid. All bonds shall be by a surety company licensed in Georgia with an "A" minimum rating of performance and a financial strength of at least five (5) times the contract price as listed in the most current publication of "Best's Key Rating Guide Property Liability". Performance and Payment Bonds, each in an amount equal to 100% of the contract price shall be required of the successful bidder if contract is awarded. Each Bond shall be accompanied by a "Power of Attorney" authorizing the attorney-in-fact to bind the surety and certified to include the date of the bond.

1.6 PERMITS

All anticipated Federal, State and local permits have been obtained or will be obtained by the Owner prior to issuing the Notice to Proceed. The status of each permit is as follows:

<u>PERMITS/AGENCIES</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
A. Land Disturbance Permit	Approved
B. NPDES GAR 100002 (Stormwater)	Will be submitted after award
C. GA Environmental Protection Division	Approved
D. Georgia Department of Transportation	Submitted

1.7 EASEMENTS & RIGHTS-OF-WAY

All easements and rights-of-way for permanent installations have been obtained or will be obtained by the Owner prior to issuing the Notice to Proceed.

1.8 GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE ACT AFFIDAVIT

All qualifying Contractors and Subcontractors performing work with the **City of Oxford** must register and participate in the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, to verify the work eligibility information of new employees. In order for a Bid to be considered, it is mandatory that the Bidder's Affidavit of Compliance with O.C.G.A. §13-10-91 be completed and submitted with the Bid.

1.9 RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, including without limitation, the rights to reject any or all nonconforming, nonresponsive, unbalanced or conditional Bids and to reject the Bid of any Bidder if Owner believes that it would not be in the best interest of the Project to make an award to that Bidder, whether because the Bid is not responsive or the Bidder is unqualified or of doubtful financial ability or fails to meet any other pertinent standard or criteria established by the Owner.

1.10 FUNDING SOURCES

Funding is to be provided by S.P.L.O.S.T. funds.

CITY OF OXFORD

OWNER

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