

SECTION 001116 - INVITATION TO BID

The Flint Mass Transportation Authority (MTA) will receive and open sealed bids on July 18, 2011 from prequalified General Contractors at the Mass Transportation Authority facility located at 1401 South Dort Highway, Flint, Michigan 48503-2878, for General Construction to include work of all trades for the following:

1. A 2,531 S.F. new office with a 8,610 S.F. garage facility consisting of sitework, a conventionally framed office, and a pre-engineered metal garage facility at 4153 West Vienna Road, Vienna Township, Michigan.

Pre-qualification packages will be received by the MTA between beginning June 13, 2011 through the end of the solicitation period, however, the MTA requires two weeks to review packages and highly recommends interested bidders submit their package by July 1, 2011. Bids will be received by the Mass Transportation Authority Administration facility located at 1401 South Dort Highway until 3:00 p.m., Monday, July 18, 2011, from prequalified General Contractors. Bids received from prequalified General Contractors will be publicly opened and read aloud at the Mass Transportation Authority Administration Facility located at 1401 South Dort Highway on Monday, July 18, 2011 at 3:15 p.m. All bidders are invited to attend the bid opening. Bids received from General Contractors determined by MTA as unqualified will be returned un-opened to the bidder.

Arrangements from interested bidders to receive a prequalification package can be made through the Flint Mass Transportation Authority (MTA) Purchasing Manager, Ms. Cynthia Bryan (810)780-8807 or E-mail cbryan@mtaflint.org

Bidding documents on CD will be available to prequalified General Contractors for a \$10.00 non-refundable charge. These documents may be obtained after 3:00 p.m., June 23, 2011 from the office of the Architect; CHMP, INC., 5198 Territorial Road, Grand Blanc, Michigan 48439 and Mass Transportation Authority, 1401 South Dort Highway, Flint, Michigan 48503-2878.

Arrangements for CD pick-up shall be made in advance by contacting the office of the Architect at (810) 695-5910 or fax (810) 695-0680 or the Mass Transportation Authority at (810)767-6950 or fax (810) 767-6580.

Additional sets of documents may be purchased on a non-refundable basis from the office of the Architect at cost of reproduction. Sub-contractors purchasing documents will be solely responsible for selection of drawing sheets and completeness of their bid. Bidders must obtain bid documents on CD from CHMP, Inc. to qualify for submitting a bid on this project. Bids submitted which are not included on CHMP's bidder's list will not be considered. This list will be used to issue any addenda or information relative to the bidding requirements.

Each Bid shall be accompanied by a cashier's check or a bid bond by an approved surety company in the amount of five percent (5%) of the base bid payable to the Owner (MTA), and will be forfeited to the Owner on failure to enter into a contract within ten (10) days after notice of acceptance of the Bid.

No Bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after submission. Bids offering less than sixty (60) days for acceptance by the Owner from the date set for opening will be considered non-responsive and will be rejected.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bid/Tenders and to waive irregularities or informalities as may be deemed in Owner's interest. It is the Owner's intent to award the project to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder for the total Bid for all phases of the construction work.

Successful bidder will be required to furnish performance, and labor and material bonds in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount.

Surety on such bonds shall be a duly authorized company satisfactory to the Owner.

Contracts for work under this bid will obligate the Contractor and subcontractor not to discriminate in employment practices based on race, color, sex, religion, natural origin or age in compliance with the President's Executive Order 11246, and that it will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants and employees are treated during employment without regard to these factors.

MTA hereby notifies all Bidders that it will affirmatively insure in regard to any contract entered into pursuant to this Invitation to Bid, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

This project will be subject to liquidated damages in the amount of \$750.00 per day for each day the project is extended beyond the mandatory completion date.

The Mass Transportation Authority has an established goal of ten percent (10%) minimum participation of DBE's (Disadvantaged Business Enterprises) under guidelines set forth by the FTA (Federal Transit Administration). All Bids submitted must include a plan for incorporating DBE's for this project.

This project is partially funded by grants received from the U.S. Department of Transportation and the Michigan Department of Transportation and subject to compliance with the "Davis-Bacon Act" (prevailing wage rates), "Copeland Anti-Kickback Act" and other related Acts. Bidders shall refer to the "Instruction to Bidders" section of the specifications for additional requirements and information.

This project is subject to the "Project Labor Agreement" between Mass Transportation Authority and Genesee, Lapeer, Shiawassee Building and Construction Trades Council AFL-CIO. The successful awardee shall become signatory to this agreement.

A **mandatory** pre-bid meeting will be held at the Mass Transportation Flushing Service Center Facility located at 1425 E. Pierson Road, Flushing, Michigan 48433, on Wednesday, June 29, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. E.S.T. followed by a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Introduction and Requirement review meeting scheduled for 10:30 a.m. E.S.T. All bidders are **required** to attend this pre-bid meeting and sub-contractors are encouraged to attend. Bidders are also encouraged to attend the following DBE meeting for the opportunity to meet potential DBE subcontractors and to review requirements for accomplishing the 10% DBE project participation goal. During this meeting bidders will be asked to identify possible subcontracting opportunities and be prepared to discuss them with DBE subcontractors.

All inquiries should be directed to the office of the Architect: CHMP, INC., 5198 Territorial Road, Grand Blanc, Michigan 48439, Attn: Mr. Gregory N. Mason, A.I.A., Telephone (810) 695-5910, or fax (810) 695-0680.

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