

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids for a unit price contract will be received by the **City of Elyria, Ohio**, until 2:00 PM local time on **Friday February 12th, 2010** for the project known as:

LOR - EAST RIVER STREET IMPROVEMENT ODOT LPA, ARRA Project

The bids are to be delivered to the **Office of the Safety-Service Director, Elyria City Hall, 131 Court Street, Elyria, Ohio 44035**. All bids received will then be opened and read at a public bid-opening meeting.

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: The Contractor shall furnish all labor, equipment, supplies, and supervision of labors necessary, to improve 1.14 miles of East River Street by widening and resurfacing, including spot full depth pavement repairs, new curb & gutter, sidewalk, traffic control signs, new signal with mast arms at 4th Street and pavement markings in the City of Elyria, Lorain County, Ohio.

Project also includes replacement of existing 4130 ft. long 4" watermain with 8" and 12" watermain including new hydrants, service connections, crossings and other appurtenant work.

All bidders shall be ODOT pre-qualified. All bidders shall submit bid security with their bid in accordance with ORC 153.54 as detailed in the Instructions to Bidders in the bid specifications.

BIDDING DOCUMENTS: The plans, specifications, and all bidding forms may be examined at the Office of the City Engineer, Elyria City Hall, 131 Court Street, Elyria, Ohio 44035. The documents may be secured through eBlueprint by contacting Customer Service (216-281-1234), by going to any eBlueprint location or by logging onto www.eblueprint.com. The cost of each set of documents is \$ 115.00 which includes specifications, drawings and all future addenda. This cost does not include shipping of the original bid documents but does include the cost for shipping of any addenda. Cost for shipping expenses of the original bid documents would be added to this fee. Bidding documents are sold as complete sets; no partial or incomplete sets can be purchased. Payment for the bid documents and shipping details shall be arranged through eBlueprint. No refund will be allowed for the return of any bidding documents at any time.

PRE-BID MEETING: The pre-bid meeting will be held at **9:30 AM** local time, on Thursday January 28th, **2010**, in Council's Chamber of **Elyria City Hall** at 131 Court Street, Elyria, OH 44035.

BID SECURITY: The bid must be accompanied by a bid guaranty. The bid guaranty must meet all requirements of Section 153.54 of the ORC and the Instructions to Bidders.

COMPLETION TIME: The contractor will have until November 30, 2010 to substantially complete the work and open all lanes to traffic.

DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS (DBE) REQUIREMENT: DBE PARTICIPATION GOALS (Subcontracts, materials, supplies) have been set on this project for those certified as DBE's in accordance with the TEA – 21 (1998) and 49 CFR, Part, and qualified to bid with ODOT under Chapter 5525 of the Ohio Revised Code (O.R.C.). At least **6 %** participation of Disadvantaged

Business Enterprises (DBE) must be utilized in the project.

PREVAILING WAGES: The contractor and any subcontractor must comply with the prevailing wage rate requirements on public improvements as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with Federal-Aid requirements. Wage rates are set forth in the U.S. Department of Labor wage decision N. OH 20080002, Modification No. 27 dated January 1, 2010 and can be found at website <http://www.wdol.gov/dba.aspx#3> .

COMPLIANCE WITH ALL LAWS: All work shall be carried out in compliance with all federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations that apply to the work. Any project specification item in conflict with a federal, state, or local law, rule or regulation, shall be void.

BIDDER'S QUALIFICATION: The Bidder (Prime Contractor) shall be certified by State of Ohio, Department of Transportation for similar Highway Construction Projects. A Copy of Certificate of Qualification should be attached with the sealed Bid.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION: All bidders must comply with the provisions of Chapter 167 of the Elyria Codified Ordinances as amended. Bidders must be pre-certified or submit an acceptable Affirmative Action Plan with the bid submission. Prospective bidders may contact the City's Equal Employment Opportunity Representative, LaTaunya V. Conley at (440) 326-1421 for information on pre-certification. No contract will be awarded unless an acceptable Affirmative Action Plan is reviewed by the EEO Office, approved and incorporated into the contract. Each bidder must complete and sign the Elyria Equal Employment Opportunity Clause, which is included with the specifications.

BID FORMS: No Bid will be considered unless it is made on the blanks furnished by the City. No bidder shall take any exception to any requirement of the specifications. Each Bid must contain the full name of the party or parties submitting the Bid and all persons interested therein.

AWARD OF CONTRACT: The City reserves the right to waive any technicalities or informalities, to reject any or all bids received, and to accept any bid with any combination of alternates which is deemed most favorable to the City of Elyria, Ohio at the time and under the conditions stipulated in the project documents.

William M. Grace
Mayor, City of Elyria

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