

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

TIME AND PLACE OF OPENING BIDS:

Sealed proposals for the improvement described herein will be received at the **City Purchasing Division** located on the first floor of the Civic Center, #1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza, Decatur, Illinois, 62523, until **10:00 AM, MARCH 6TH, 2024** and thereafter publicly opened and read.

DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT:

The proposed improvement is officially known as:

CHEMICAL FEED UPGRADES AND BULK WATER UPGRADES

CITY PROJECTS 2022-02 AND 2022-16

The proposed project herein specified and described includes the following work:

The Chemical Feed Upgrades project includes improvements to the following chemical feed systems at the South WTP: lime, chlorine gas, chlorine dioxide, cationic polymer, powdered activated carbon slurry, sodium bisulfite, polyphosphate, sodium hydroxide, and fluoride. For lime the base bid includes replacing existing equipment with four new high density hydrated lime feed systems with control panels. Alternate bid includes replacing existing equipment with four new pebble lime slaker feed system with control panels. Existing bulk storage liquid gas feed system will be replaced with a new bulk storage vacuum gas feed system. All chlorine gas PVC piping will be replaced with new PE piping. Adding a new chlorine dioxide generator to match the existing one to remain for one duty / one stand-by operation. Replacement of existing roto-dips system with three new peristaltic tube pumps for feeding powdered activated carbon. Replacement of existing metering pumps and piping for polyphosphate, sodium hydroxide, sodium bisulfite, fluoride, and cationic polymer.

The Bulk Water Upgrades project includes structural, electrical, plumbing, mechanical, exterior concrete and control upgrades to the existing bulk water dispensing station. A separate date for substantial completion of the Bulk Water Upgrades has been specified.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS:

1. ***A PRE-BID MEETING*** will be held by **CONFERENCE CALL ONLY** on ***February 14, 2024 at 10:00 AM CST***. In addition to project questions, the opportunity will be provided to discuss the City's minority participation goals. **To join the Conference call, please call 217-451-0100. When prompted please enter the passcode 665140.**
2. Plans, specifications and proposal forms may be obtained from Decatur Blue Print, Inc., 230 West Wood Street, Decatur, Illinois, 62523, (217) 423-7589, www.decaturblue.com. **To receive updates or addenda you must be on the Plan Holders list for this project through Decatur Blue Print.**

3. Payment shall be made to Decatur Blue Print, Inc. **No refund will be made for the plans, specification, or proposal forms returned.**
4. Plans and specifications are **available for viewing** at the following locations:

**www.decaturblue.com
Plans & Portals
Public Projects
DFS Public Plan Room**

**City of Decatur
Engineering Division
#1 Gary K. Anderson Plaza
Decatur, Illinois 62523**

5. The City of Decatur hereinafter referred to as "City" or "Owner", will not release the Engineer's Estimate of Cost in advance of the scheduled time and date of the bid opening. Bid tabulations will be available on the City's web site at www.decaturil.gov/Departments/PublicWorks under Contractor Project Bid Information, and Decatur Blue Print's web site at www.decaturblue.com /Plans & Portals /Public Projects/DFS Public Plan Room/City of Decatur Bid Tabs, after the award of a contract has been approved by the City of Decatur's City Council.
6. All proposals must be accompanied by a BANK DRAFT, CASHIER'S CHECK, OR CERTIFIED CHECK made payable to Treasurer, Decatur, Illinois, in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid or BID BOND in the same amount.
7. The contractor shall at all times during the term of this Contract pay the applicable prevailing wage for Macon County for the month during which the work is performed, as determined by the Illinois Department of Labor.
8. Before the Contractor and any Subcontractor commences work, the Contractor and any Subcontractor shall have in place a written Substance Abuse Prevention Program for the prevention of substance abuse among its employees which meets or exceeds the requirements in P. A. 95-0635 or shall have a collective bargaining agreement in effect dealing with the subject matter of P. A. 95-0635.
9. The following **Minority Participation Goals for Public Works Contracts** are in effect for this contract:

(1) ***Ten (10) Percent (%)*** of the total dollar amount of the contract should be performed by minority business enterprises if subcontracting opportunities are available and/or ***Ten (10) Percent (%)*** of the total dollar amount of the contract should be for the purchase of goods, material and equipment to Minority Business Enterprises.

(2) ***Eighteen (18) Percent (%)*** of the total hours worked should be performed by minority workers.

All Contractors shall provide evidence of meeting the City's minority participation goals prior to the award of this project and prior to all payments made for work completed or provide the City of Decatur documentation on their good faith efforts to comply with the participation goals. Required information and documentation is included in the Project Manual and to be submitted with the bid proposal.

REJECTION OF BIDS:

The Council of the City of Decatur, Illinois, reserves the right to accept, renegotiate or reject any or all proposals and to waive any variance from the requirements of the instructions for bidders. At the discretion of the Council, required items may be submitted after the bid opening if there is sufficient compliance with instructions at the time of the bid opening to permit the City to determine the price bid.

January 24th, 2024
Date Advertised

Matthew C. Newell, PE
Public Works Director

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