

ADVERTISEMENT AND NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the Jersey City Redevelopment Agency (JCRA) for **CONTRACT NO. 20-12-MPN8 "BAYFRONT 1 REDEVELOPMENT – PHASE 1A, SURCHARGE PROGRAM"** and publicly opened and read aloud at 66 York Street, 3rd Floor, Jersey City, New Jersey on **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2021 at 10:00 A.M.**, prevailing local time. **GIVEN THE COVID-19 CRISIS, IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT BIDS BE SENT BY MAIL OR COURIER BY 4:00 P.M. THE BUSINESS DAY PRIOR TO THE BID RECEPTION. BIDS WHICH ARE HAND DELIVERED BY THE BIDDER OR AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE BIDDER MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN 10:00 A.M. ON THE DAY OF THE BID RECEPTION. BIDS NOT RECEIVED BY THE DATE AND TIME OF THE BID RECEPTION WILL BE REJECTED.** The JCRA and CME Associates will not be held responsible for any bids sent by mail or courier that may become lost, damaged, or not received in time.

The project generally consists of the construction of roadway embankments and placement of surcharge material. The scope of work on the project will consist of the demolition and removal of existing features and utilities, installation of settlement plates and instrumentation, drainage pipes and structures, and all associated work and appurtenances as contained in the Contract Documents as ordered by the Engineer.

Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid Conferences/Site Tours are scheduled for Monday, December 21, 2020 at 11:00 A.M. and Wednesday, January 6, 2020 at 11:00 A.M. to be held at the Bayfront Site Trailers (former JCDPW Site behind the JCMUA Offices located at 555 Route 440, Jersey City, NJ 07305). It is highly recommended that all prospective bidders attend these meetings to familiarize itself with the existing conditions in order to complete the work required of the Contract.

Contract documents and plans for the proposed work may be obtained electronically and will be available to Bidders at no charge. You must register with the JCRA and you will be directed to an FTP site maintained by CME Associates, Consulting Engineering, Parlin office, 3141 Bordentown Avenue, Parlin, New Jersey. You must contact Mary Pat Noonan of the JCRA by phone, 201-761-0828 or via email marypat@icnj.org. You must register with the JCRA first in order to be eligible to receive a password. The JCRA and CME will insure that the site works, however, JCRA and CME will not be responsible if the Bidder cannot download the document. **NO BIDS MAY BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY.** Proposal sheets in Section C of the Contract Documents must be enclosed in sealed envelopes clearly marked on the outside with the words "BID", CONTRACT NO. 20-12-MPN8, DUE DATE FEBRUARY 23, 2021 – 10:00 A.M., the name and address of the Bidder and the name of the work, addressed to the Executive Director, Jersey City Redevelopment Agency and must be accompanied by a Statement of Consent of Surety from a Surety Company authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey and acceptable to the JCRA.

Questions or requests for information must be submitted in writing as per Section 101.04 and received by: **Friday, January 29, 2021 – 3:00 P.M.** The JCRA and CME Associates will not be responsible for verbal answers to bidder's questions. Inquiries received less than twenty-five (25) calendar days prior to the bid opening will not be answered. Responses to the questions will be sent in writing by: **Friday, February 5, 2021.**

To ensure there is "social distancing" amongst all parties and members of the public in the conduct of the bid opening given the COVID-19 crisis, the bid opening will be conducted via online live streaming of the bid opening, which will be conducted at the JCRA offices, 66 York St., Jersey City, NJ 07302. Interested parties and members of the public are not permitted at this time in the JCRA offices. The names of the vendors and their prices will be announced on the online live streaming, which may be viewed by the general public and interested parties at the advertised bid opening on Tuesday, February 23, 2021 @ 10:00 A.M. All potential bidders, interested parties, and members of the public are to visit the JCRA website, and click on the link pertaining to the Opening of Bids via Online Live Streaming for further instructions respecting observation of the bid opening via live streaming.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check or cashier's check in the amount of not less than ten (10%) percent of the Bid, but not more than \$20,000.00, payable without any conditional endorsement as a guarantee that in case the contract is awarded to the bidder, he will within ten (10) days thereafter execute such contract and furnish satisfactory performance bond. Upon failure to do so he shall forfeit the deposit as liquidated damages and the acceptance of the bid will be contingent upon the fulfillment of this requirement by the bidder. No interest shall be allowed upon any such certified check or cashier's check. A bid bond in the amount of ten (10%) percent of the bid, but not more than \$20,000.00, may be substituted for certified check or cashier's check.

Each bid must also be accompanied by a certificate from a bonding company licensed to do business in the State of New Jersey guaranteeing that if the proposal of the bidder be accepted they will furnish the bond set forth in paragraph one of the General Conditions of the contract and the acceptance of the bid will be contingent upon the fulfillment of this requirement.

The JCRA reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities specified in the manner designated in the Specifications. The JCRA reserves the right to award this contract based on funds available.

All bidders are required to be registered with the New Jersey Department of Labor if they elect to bid public works projects. The bidder shall be required to comply with "The Public Works Contractor Registration Act" (N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.48), as identified in Section B – Instruction to Bidders paragraph B3.13 and in the Appendix of the Specifications and Contract Documents. All Contractors and Subcontractors working on prevailing wage projects, which have a public building component, must attach a certificate of registration from the Department of Labor, to all bids.

All bidders are required to submit "Proof of Business Registration" to the contracting agency if they elect to bid public works projects. Proof of business registration shall be a copy of a Business Registration Certificate issued by the Department of the Treasury, Division of Revenue. The bidder shall be required to comply with business registration provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:33-44 (P.L. 2004, C. 57), as identified in Section B-Instruction to Bidders paragraph B3.14 and in the Appendix of the specifications and Contract Documents. All Contractors and Subcontractors working on public work projects must attach a Business Registration Certificate to all bids.

The successful bidder shall be required to comply with the provisions of the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, Chapter 150 of the laws of 1963, effective January 1, 1964.

During the performance of this contract the Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., and N.J.A.C. 17:27, all requirements of the State of New Jersey Worker Health and Safety Act (N.J.A.C. 12:110 et seq.) as amended and the United States Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) (29 CFR 1910), as amended with regard to worker and jobsite safety.

No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of sixty (60) days after the date set for the opening thereof. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a surety company bond in the full amount of contract price indemnifying the Jersey City Redevelopment Agency, for all proceedings, suits or actions of any kind of description and conditional for the faithful performance of the work.

All bid security will be returned to all Bidders except the three (3) apparent lowest bidders within ten (10) working days after the opening of bids, and to the three (3) apparent lowest Bidders within three (3) working days after the successful Bidder has executed the Contract and his Contract security has been approved by the City.

The Project is subject to a Project Labor Agreement. The Successful Bidder will be required to execute a Project Labor Agreement.

The JCRA reserves the right to reject any or all bids if in its opinion it is in the best interest to do so and to award the contract for any and/or all items.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS OF THE JERSEY CITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY.

DIANA H. JEFFREY
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR