

## **ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Sealed bids for the project entitled **Livingston Heights Project** will be received by **the Housing Authority of the City of Asheville (HACA)** at 2:00 EST July 31<sup>st</sup> in the HACA Office at 165 South French Broad and then publicly opened and read aloud.

THE PROJECT GENERALLY CONSISTS OF **relocation of existing water services and associated repairs per the plan entitled “Livingston Heights Project”**

The Contract Documents may be examined from 8 am to 5 pm EST at the following locations:

Civil Design Concepts  
168 Patton Ave.  
Asheville, NC 28801

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained at the office of the Engineer, **Civil Design Concepts, P.A.** located at **168 Patton Ave., Asheville, NC 28801 from 8 am to 5 pm EST** upon payment of **\$100.00** for each set. There will be no refund to any party for Contract Documents so obtained.

Bidders and other interested parties should note that prequalification of equipment manufacturers by the Engineer prior to the bid opening may be required for this project. Equipment prequalification requirements, if any, are described in the Contract Documents.

A certified check or cashiers check payable to **the Housing Authority of the City of Asheville** or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by a corporate surety licensed under the laws of North Carolina to execute such bonds in the amount equal to five percent of the total of the bid shall be submitted with each bid.

Attention is called to the fact that the Contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

**HACA**, as owner, reserves the right to reject any or all bid proposals and to waive any informalities.

The successful bidder shall be required to furnish separate, 100 percent Performance and Payment Bonds in compliance with North Carolina General Statutes Section 143-129 and of Article 3 of Chapter 44A. The Performance Bond shall remain in full force and effect per the contract documents.

The bid deposit shall be retained by **HACA** if the successful bidder fails to execute the contract or fails to provide the required bonds, as stated above, within ten (10) days after award of the contract.

Each bidder must be appropriately licensed as a Contractor in the State of North Carolina as provided in General Statutes Chapter 87. A goal of 10% for small or minority business

participation has been established for this project and those qualified firms are encouraged to participate. The work to be performed under this project is subject to Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended. The purpose of Section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by Section 3, shall to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very low-income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing. In addition, Prime Contractor's are required to fulfill specific criteria as noted in the Contract Documents with regard to minority participation and Section 3.

**HACA** reserves the right to award a contract to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder.

The OWNER may make such investigations as he deems necessary to determine the ability of the BIDDER to perform the WORK, and the BIDDER shall furnish to the OWNER all such information and data for this purpose as the OWNER may request. The OWNER reserves the right to reject any BID if the evidence submitted by, or investigation of, such BIDDER fails to satisfy the OWNER that such BIDDER is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the Agreement and to complete the WORK contemplated therein.

A conditional or qualified BID will not be accepted.

All applicable laws, ordinances, and the rules and regulations of all authorities having jurisdiction over construction of the project shall apply to the contract throughout.

Each BIDDER is responsible for inspecting the site and for reading and being thoroughly familiar with the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS. The failure or omission of any BIDDER to do any of the foregoing shall in no way relieve any BIDDER from any obligation in respect to his BID.

A Pre-bid conference will be held at 10:00 local time on **July 13<sup>th</sup>** at the **334 Livingston Street, Asheville, NC 28801**. Although attendance is not mandatory, all bidders are strongly encouraged to attend.

The ENGINEER is **Civil Design Concepts, P.A.** Engineer's address is **168 Patton Ave., Asheville, NC 28801**.

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