Invitation to Bid

Notice is hereby given that the Commissioners Court of Calhoun County, Texas will receive bids for:

Bid Number 2024.05 - Seadrift Drainage Improvements Project

The project shall consist of ditch improvements including vegetation removal, regrading, reshaping and channel liner; removal and replacement of culverts; installation of storm sewer; bridge construction and roadway reconstruction associated with the drainage improvements in Seadrift, Texas.

The Instructions for Bidders, Bid Form, Specifications, and other Contract Documents may be examined at G&W Engineers, Inc. at 205 W. Live Oak, Port Lavaca, TX 77979 and obtained from <u>www.CivcastUSA.com</u>. There is no charge to view or download the documents. Addendums and other announcements will be distributed via CivCastUSA to all plan holders.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at **10:00 am, Tuesday, April 16, 2024** starting at the Calhoun County Precinct #4 office, 104 East Dallas, Seadrift, Texas and continuing to the project site. Potential bidders are strongly urged to attend.

Sealed Bids may be hand delivered or mailed to:

Honorable Richard H. Meyer, County Judge Calhoun County Courthouse 211 South Ann Street 3rd Floor, Suite 301 Port Lavaca, TX 77979

All bids must be delivered to the Office of the Calhoun County Judge in a **sealed** 9×12 or larger envelope and **clearly marked on the outside of the envelope**, or the UPS/FedEx/other Delivery Service envelope: Sealed Bid – Bid Number 2024.05 - Seadrift Drainage Improvements Project.

Sealed Bids consisting of one (1) USB flash drive and one (1) original and four (4) printed copies of the complete bid and required forms are DUE BEFORE 2:00:00 PM local time, THURSDAY MAY 9, 2024 in the County Judge's office, Calhoun County Courthouse, 211 South Ann Street, 3rd Floor, Suite 301, Port Lavaca, Texas. At this time, all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the conference room located in the County Judge's office.

It is the responsibility of the submitting bidder to ensure that their sealed bid is received in a timely manner. Calhoun County does not accept faxed or emailed bids. Calhoun County accepts no financial responsibility for any cost incurred by any bidder in the course of responding to the bid. Bids received after the date and time the bids are due will not be accepted and will be returned unopened, regardless of whether or not the delay was outside of the control of the submitting bidder.

The cell phone in the County Judge's office or the cell phone of the County Auditor's Representative will be the official clock that shall be used in determining the time the bid is received and the 2:00:00 pm deadline.

Bidders must submit with their bid a bid bond, issued by an acceptable surety, or a certified check, payable to Calhoun County, in the amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid submitted. Bids submitted without the required security will not be considered.

All contractors and subcontractors must be cleared (not suspended or debarred) prior to any formal action authorizing the award of a contract to the contractor and for the duration of the project.

Calhoun County reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding and to award to the responsible bidder submitting the best qualified acceptable bid who, in the opinion of Calhoun County, offers the bid in the best interest of the County. Bids may be held by Calhoun County for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the bidder's qualifications prior to the contract award.

The successful bidder will be required to purchase and furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond, each in the full amount of the contract, written by a responsible surety company authorized to do business in the State of Texas, as required by Article 5160, V.A.T.C.S., as amended by H.B. 344, passed by the 56th Legislature, Regular Session, 1959.

The successful bidder shall begin work on receipt of the Notice to Proceed and shall complete the work within the Contract Time. Work is subject to liquidated damages.

The project to be constructed will be financed with assistance from the General Land Office (GLO) under the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant - Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) program and is subject to all applicable Federal and State laws and regulations. Attention is called to the fact that not less than, the federally determined prevailing Davis-Bacon and Related Acts wage rate, as issued by the Department of Labor and contained in the contract documents, must be paid on this project. In addition, the successful bidder must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Adherence to the Calhoun County Section 3 Policy is required for all contracts.

Calhoun County, Texas is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. The County does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, handicapped status or limited English proficiency in employment or the provision of services. Section 3 Residents, Minority Business Enterprises, Small Business Enterprises, Women Business Enterprises and Labor Surplus Area Firms are encouraged to submit bids.

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