

**LEGAL NOTICE
INVITATION TO BID
THE CITY OF MERIDEN IS ACCEPTING SEALED BIDS FOR:
B015-10 SWAIN AVENUE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

Bids shall be submitted on forms and in the manner specified. Forms and specifications may be obtained from the Purchasing Department, 142 East Main Street, Meriden, CT 06450-8022. Bids will be accepted in Purchasing, Room 210, 142 East Main Street, Meriden, CT 06450-8022, until **2:00 P.M.** on **June 16, 2015** at which time they will be publicly opened and read. The bid opening will be made at least 30 days from the date of the formal advertisement

Each bid shall be accompanied by a Certified Check or Bid Bond in the amount of Ten (10%) percent of the amount bid.

The work consists of replacement of the existing water main on Swain Avenue with 4,800 feet of 12-inch ductile iron water main from East Main Street to Kyle Court. The work consists of: (1) installation of replacement ductile iron water main; (2) connection of replacement water main to existing water mains on side streets; (3) connection of existing service connections to replacement water main; (4) temporary bypass, (5) disinfection and testing of replacement water main; (6) commissioning of replacement water main; (7) decommissioning of the existing water main (8) restoration of site including pavement improvements.

Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) and Women's Business Enterprise (WBE) policies are applicable to this contract. The requirement for MBE/WBE subcontractor participation on Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Construction Projects, expressed as a percentage of the total contract amount, 3% (three percent) MBE participation and 5% (five percent) WBE participation by state-certified MBEs and WBEs.

Note that the General Contractor's certification as an MBE or WBE has no effect on this requirement; the percentages apply strictly to subcontracts which supply goods and services to the General Contractor.

All prospective Contractors and their respective subcontractors shall ensure equal opportunity and non-discrimination in employment, consistent with the Governor's Executive Orders No. 3 and No. 17.

The attention of bidders is directed to the requirement for state minimum wage rates to be paid under this contract, and Davis-Bacon prevailing wage and other labor requirements apply.

Any contract or contracts awarded under this invitation for bids are expected to be funded in part by a loan from the State of Connecticut Drinking Water State Revolving Fund. Neither the State of Connecticut nor any of its Departments, agencies, or employees is or will be a party to this invitation for bids or any resulting contract. This procurement will be subject to the requirements contained in subsections (g)(h), (j) and (o) of Section 22a-482-4 of the RSCA. The funding program construction requirements included herein, shall be applicable to this project.

Compliance with the American Iron and Steel requirements of Public Law 113-76 (the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2014): and Public Law 113-235 (the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act 2015) is required.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informality in or to reject any and all Bids if it deems it to be in the public interest to do so. A bid which includes unit pricing for any bid item that is abnormally low or high may be rejected as unbalanced. The award of this contract is subject to the certification of available funds and appropriation.

The bidder shall hold a current DAS Contractor Prequalification Certificate (not a predetermination letter) from the Department of Administrative Services of the State of Connecticut showing that the bidder has the prequalification classification for "Sewer and Water Lines". In addition, the bidder shall submit with their bid a current DAS Prequalification Certificate and Update (bid) Statement showing that the bidder has prequalification classifications and aggregate work capacity rating required by this contract. **Failure to submit these items will result in rejection of the bid.**

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids in whole or in part, to award any item, or total bid, and to waive informality or technical defects, if it is deemed to be in the best interest of the City of Meriden.

A non-mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held on May 27, 2015 at 3:00 PM at 142 East Main Street, 2nd floor, City Council Chambers, Meriden, CT. Site walk will follow, weather permitting.

The Information for Bidders, Form of Bid, Form of Contract, Plans, Specifications, form of Bid Bond, Performance Bond, and Labor & Material Payment Bond may be examined on or after May 14, 2015, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. daily, except Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays.

Bid documents will be available electronically at no cost. Contact the Purchasing Department via email at purchasing@meridenct.gov to request documents. Printed copies will be available for a non-refundable fee of Twenty Five Dollars (\$25.00) per set. Checks shall be payable to the City of Meriden. Bidders requesting that Bid Documents be sent to them shall provide their courier account number for billing.

No bidder may withdraw their bid within sixty (60) days of the date of the bid opening. Should there be reason why the contract cannot be awarded within the specified period, the time may be extended by mutual agreement between the City of Meriden and the bidder.

The City of Meriden is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

Wilma C. Petro, CPPB, C.P.M., Purchasing Officer
City of Meriden
Dated: May 14, 2015