

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the City of Port Republic (hereinafter called the "Owner") for:

RECONSTRUCTION OF THE TENNIS, PICKLEBALL AND BASKETBALL COURTS AT PARK AVENUE, CITY OF PORT REPUBLIC, NEW JERSEY

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids for the above named Contract, which is comprised of the Reconstruction of the Tennis, Pickleball, & Basketball Courts, located on Park Ave, City of Port Republic, Atlantic County, New Jersey ("Owner"), will be received at the Port Republic City Hall located at 143 Main Street, Port Republic, New Jersey, 08241 on **Thursday, December 5, 2024 at 10:00 A.M.** prevailing time, at which time they will be publicly unsealed and the contents publicly announced.

PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS for the project, prepared by Doran Engineering, P.A., have been filed at the office of the Engineer and may be inspected during "business hours" at:

Doran Engineering
840 No. Main Street
Pleasantville, NJ 08232
609-646-3111

Bids must be made on the Standard Proposal Forms contained in the Specifications and must be enclosed in a sealed envelope and clearly marked "Reconstruction of the Tennis, Pickleball & Basketball Courts at Park Ave, City of Port Republic, NJ, bearing the name and address of the Bidder on the outside. Bidders will be furnished with a copy of the Plans and Specifications by the Engineer upon notice and payment of a fee of \$100.00. This fee will be refunded to the unsuccessful Bidder, if requested by the Bidder within 90 days of the notice that the Contract has not been awarded and upon return of the plans and specifications in good condition. If the project is awarded, no fees will be refunded. These fees will be used for the proposal preparation. (40A:11-24b)

No bid will be received unless in writing on the forms furnished, and unless accompanied by bid security in the form of a bid bond or certified check made payable to the Owner in an amount equal to 10% of the amount of the total bid, provided that the said security need not be more than \$20,000 nor less than \$500.00 and be delivered at the place on or before the hour named above.

The bid shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Surety on the form included in the Contract Documents, from a surety company licensed to do business in the State of New Jersey, which shall represent that the surety company will provide the Contractor with the required bonds in the sums required in the Contract Documents and in a form satisfactory to the Owner's Attorney and in compliance with the requirements of law. Each bidder shall submit with his bid an "Ownership Disclosure Statement" and "Non-Collusion Affidavit" on the forms included in the Contract Documents.

After receipt of bids, no bid shall be withdrawn except as expressly authorized herein. The Owner shall award the Contract or reject all bids within 60 days of bid opening, except that the bids of any bidders who consent thereto may, at the request of the Owner, be held for consideration for such longer period as may be agreed.

The Owner will evaluate bids and any award will be made to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive minor informalities or irregularities in bids received.

Successful bidders must provide a photocopy of their “Certificate of Employee Information Report” or the pink copy of the AA-302 form within seven (7) days after the notification of intent to award the contract or receipt of contract, whichever is sooner. Failure to do so will result in the bid being rejected as non-responsive.

Successful bidders will also be required to submit bonds and proof of insurance on or before execution of their respective Contracts as explained in the Contract Documents.

Bidders are required to comply with all relevant Federal and State Statutes, Rules and Regulations including but not limited to the applicable provisions of Chapter 127, PL 1975 and Supplements thereto Laws Against Discrimination (Affirmative Action), the State requirement for bidders to supply statements of ownership (N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2) and the State requirement for submission of the names and addresses of certain subcontractors (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-16).

Prevailing wages established under the Davis-Bacon Act will apply to this contract. The contract documents contain requirements addressing prevailing labor wage rates, labor standards, nondiscrimination in hiring practices, goals for minority and female participation, MBE and WBE participation, participation by Section 3 residents and businesses, and related matters.

The bidders/offerors must submit documentary evidence of minority and women business enterprises and of Section 3 businesses (low and moderate income businesses) who have been contacted and to whom commitments have been made. Documentation of such solicitations and commitments shall be submitted concurrently with the bid.

The provisions of the Federal Government Department of Labor’s current wage rate determinations and the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act are requirements of this project. The higher of the Federal or State Wage Rate and the higher of the Federal or State Fringe Benefit Rate shall prevail.

Public Works Contractor Registration pursuant to N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.48 et. seq. is required for all projects/contracts which include construction, reconstruction, demolition, alteration, repair or maintenance work on a public building. All Contractors and Subcontractors are required to submit a copy of their Business Registration Certificate issued by the NJ Division of Taxation (PL 2004, c57 effective 9-1-04).

Challenges to bid specifications must be made, in writing, addressed to the Owner, at least, three (3) business days prior to the bid opening date. Challenges filed otherwise will not be considered.

If the Contract is awarded, no refunds will be given. If for any reason the Contract is not awarded, refunds will be made to bidders pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-24(b) when the Contract Documents are returned in reasonable condition within 90 days of notice that the Contract has not been awarded.

It is the purpose of this Notice to Bidders to summarize some of the more important provisions of the Contract Documents. Prospective bidders are cautioned not to rely solely on this summary, but to read the Contract Documents in their entirety.

By Order of the City of Port Republic

Brandy M. Blevin, Municipal Clerk