

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the City of Gulfport, Mississippi (the "City"), will receive sealed bids for One (1) each New and Unused Valve Insertion System for the Department of Public Works.

Un-priced bid proposals will be accepted until 10:00 am local time on August 14, 2018 in sealed envelopes at the Office of Procurement, Hardy Bldg., 2nd Floor, 1410 24th Ave., Gulfport, MS 39501, or by electronic bid submission. Submissions will be evaluated and vendors submitting acceptable offers will be invited to submit priced bids. Electronic bids and/or reverse auction bids can be submitted at www.centralbidding.com. For any questions relating to the electronic bidding process, please call Central Bidding at 225-810-4814."

Bidding will be held by ELECTRONIC REVERSE AUCTION on August 20, 2018 at 10:00 am local time. Bidders may come to the Office of Procurement with a paper bid and receive technical assistance in entering their bid in the reverse auction.

The City of Gulfport reserves the right to utilize "anti-sniping" for reverse auctions. Anti-sniping is a tool that automatically extends the bid time for a reverse auction by five (5) minutes if a vendor places a bid in the final five (5) minutes of the reverse auction. The anti-sniping effect will also auto extend the reverse auction bid time any time a bid is placed in the last five (5) minutes of the reverse auction and can auto extend the reverse auction multiple times until the bidding on the reverse auction ends.

Specifications are available by contacting the Office of Procurement at 228-868-5705 or in order to obtain the bid documents between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm local time. Electronic copies of the bid specifications are available by contacting cdebenport@gulfport-ms.gov or from Central Bidding at www.centralbidding.com for a fee. All bids must comply with the specifications provided. The City of Gulfport reserves the right to amend the specifications as necessary and agrees to notify all parties having requested bid packets. The Office of Procurement reserves the right to extend the auction date if necessary to complete the bid proposal pre-qualification process.

Questions – All questions regarding this bid should be directed to Connie Debenport, in writing by email at cdebenport@gulfport-ms.gov or facsimile (228)868-5704, **not less than seven (7) days** prior to the bid due date. All questions must be submitted in writing; telephonic inquires will not be considered.

The City is NOT responsible for bids which are mailed to the wrong address or which arrive in the mail after the designated bid opening time.

The project will be awarded to the lowest and best bidder. However, the City of Gulfport reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids or to waive any informality.

For bids exceeding \$50,000.00, Bidder must indicate his Certificate of Responsibility Number on the outside of sealed proposal as required by Mississippi Law. Effective July 1, 2010; Per MS Code 31-3-21(3); any bid submitted by a nonresident contractor which does not include the nonresident contractor's current state law pertaining to such state's treatment of nonresident contractors, shall be rejected and not considered for award. If no such law exists in the non-resident contractor's state, then the non-resident contractor may provide a statement to that effect.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within 45 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Publish Dates:

07-20-18

07-27-18