

**IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL BIDDERS – BID REQUIREMENTS**

**A. LOUISIANA CONTRACTOR’S LICENSE FOR THIS PROJECT**

Must be in the following category:

**B. PROBABLE CONSTRUCTION RANGES**

Range of The Probable Construction Cost for Base Bid:

Range of The Probable Construction Cost for Alternate No. 1:

Range of The Probable Construction Cost for Alternate No. 2:

Range of The Probable Construction Cost for Alternate No. 3:

Range of The Previous Contract Cap  
(Public Work Maintenance Contract):

**C. TIMELINES**

Except as where provided by law, Bidder agrees that this bid shall be legally binding and may not be withdrawn for a period of forty-five (45) calendar days after the scheduled closing time for receiving bids. In the event the Owner issues the Letter of Award (copy of adopted resolution awarding bid by Jefferson Parish Council) during this period, the bid accepted shall continue to remain binding pending execution of the Contract.

Bidder agrees to execute the ensuing Contract and will deliver applicable Bonds to secure the faithful performance thereof.

**PROTESTS:** Only those vendors that submit bids in response to this solicitation may protest any element of the procurement, in writing to the Director of the Purchasing Department. Written protest must be received within 48 hours of the release of the bid tabulation by the Purchasing Department. After consultation, the Parish Attorney’s Office will then respond to protests in writing. (For more information, please see Chapter 2, Article VII, Division 2, Sec. 2-913 of the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances.)

Upon full execution of the Contract and receiving a written notice to proceed, the Bidder agrees that all work shall be completed as follows:

**D. SALES TAX EXEMPTION**

**For this project, the Contractor shall not pay any state or local sales or use taxes on materials and equipment which are affixed and made part of the immovable property of the project or which is permanently incorporated in the project (hereinafter referred to as “applicable materials and equipment”). All purchases of applicable materials or equipment shall be made by the contractor on behalf of and as the agent of Jefferson Parish (Owner), a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana. No state and local sales and use taxes are owed on applicable materials and equipment under the provisions of Act 1029 of the 1991 Regular Session – Louisiana Revised Statute 47:301(8)(c). Owner will furnish to contractor a certificate form which certifies that Owner is not required to pay such state or local sales and use taxes, and contractor shall furnish a copy of such certificate to all vendors or suppliers of the applicable materials and equipment, and report to Owner the amount of taxes not incurred.**

**E. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES**

In accordance with Resolutions 136352 and 136353, Bidder agrees to pay, as liquidated damages, the sum of [ ] for: (1) each consecutive calendar day after the agreed date of completion that the work remains substantially incomplete, or (2) each consecutive calendar day after substantial completion that the work has not been finally completed.

In addition to, but not in lieu of the per diem liquidated damages, Owner shall also be entitled to recover from Contractor or Contractor’s Surety additional liquidated damages as detailed in Resolutions 113646 and 113647. These additional liquidated damages may include, but are not limited to the following, in the amounts and for each of the items identified in the Supplementary Conditions:

- (1) Extended architectural and/or engineering fees \$ [ ] ;
- (2) Extended Resident Project Representative fees \$ [ ] ;
- (3) Extended construction management fees \$ [ ] ;
- (4) Extended Owner’s overhead and personnel expenses \$ [ ] ; and
- (5) Owner’s other costs directly related to the delay in completion beyond the Contract Times.

Also, in accordance with Section 6.02, “Labor; Working Hours,” whenever Contractor’s work requires inspections in excess of the budgeted amount for inspection, Contractor shall reimburse Owner for the additional costs incurred by the Owner attributable to inspection of the contracted project in excess of the budgeted amount for inspections.

In accordance with the terms of the Engineer’s agreement with the Owner, the average hourly rate to be charged for resident inspection for this construction project is \$ [ ] and the reasonable budget for such inspections is \$ [ ] (the overtime rates shall be \$ [ ] per hour). The cost of inspection in excess of this budgeted amount shall be assessed against Contractor’s progress payments, all in accordance with LSA R.S. 38:2216(L)(2).

**F. METHODS OF BID SUBMISSION**

Online at no charge via Jefferson Parish’s electronic procurement page by visiting [www.jeffparishbids.net](http://www.jeffparishbids.net). Registration and use of this site is free to Jefferson Parish vendors.

**G. ETHICAL STANDARDS AND COOPERATION WITH THE OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL, INCLUDING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Vendor agrees by bid submission to comply with all provisions of Louisiana Law as well as compliance with the Jefferson Parish Code of Ordinances, Louisiana Code of Ethics, as published on <http://ethics.la.gov> and applicable Jefferson Parish ethical standards and Jefferson Parish Terms and Condition.

**Inspector General:** It shall be the duty of every parish officer, employee, department, agency, special district, board, and commission; and the duty of every contractor, subcontractor, and licensee of the parish, and the duty of every applicant for certification of eligibility for a parish contract or program, to cooperate with the inspector general in any investigation, audit, inspection, performance review, or hearing pursuant to JPCO 2-155.10(19). Every parish contract and every bid, proposal, application or solicitation for a parish contract, and every application for certification of eligibility for a parish contract or program shall contain a statement that the corporation, partnership, or person understands and will abide by all provisions of JPCO 2-155.10.

**Conflicts of Interest:** Jefferson Parish adheres to the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics, contained in Louisiana Revised Statutes Annotated, R.S. 42:1101, et seq. Vendor/Proposer by this submission warrants that there are no “conflicts of interest” related to this procurement that would violate applicable Louisiana Law. Violation of the Louisiana Code of Governmental Ethics may result in rescission of contract, permit or licenses, and the imposition of fines and/or penalties, without contractual liability to the public in accordance with applicable law.

#### H. REQUIRED AFFIDAVITS

For convenience, all legally mandated affidavits have been combined into one form, entitled THE PUBLIC WORKS BID AFFIDAVIT. All bidders must submit with their bid submission, a completed, signed and properly notarized affidavit in its original format and without alteration in order to be compliant and for the bid to be considered responsive. A scanned copy of the completed, signed and properly notarized affidavit may be submitted with the bid; however, the successful bidder must submit the original affidavit in its original format and without material alteration prior to, or at contract execution. Failure to comply will result in the bid submission being rejected as non-responsive. The Parish reserves the right to award bid to the next lowest responsive and responsible bidder in this event.

#### I. BID REQUIREMENTS (BID DOCUMENTS, SPECIFICATIONS, BONDS, W-9 AND PAYMENT INFO)

Bidders must review the bid specifications and include any required documentation including but not limited to the LA Public Works Uniform Bid Form, Bid Security, Corporate Resolution or written evidence of signature authority, and the Public Works Affidavit. Pursuant to LA R.S. 38:2212(B)(3)(b), bidders shall also be responsible for providing any other documentation as required, i.e. federal grant documentation, etc. Please note that the payment and performance bonds must be supplied by the successful bidder at contract signing.

All vendors submitting bids should register as a Jefferson Parish vendor, if not already registered. Registration forms may be downloaded from <http://purchasing.jeffparish.net> and click on Vendor Information. Current W-9 forms with respective Tax Identification numbers and vendor applications may be submitted at any time; however, if your company is not registered and/or a current W-9 form is not on file, vendor registration is mandatory. Vendors may experience a delay in payment if your company is not a registered vendor with Jefferson Parish.

Bidders must comply with all provisions of the General Terms and Conditions as approved by Resolution No. 136352 and/or 136353. A copy of these terms and resolutions may be obtained from the Office of the Parish Clerk, Suite 6700, Jefferson Parish General Government Building, 200 Derbigny Street, Gretna, Louisiana 70053. Bidders may also obtain a copy by visiting the Purchasing Department's webpage at [www.purchasing.jeffparish.net](http://www.purchasing.jeffparish.net) and clicking on online forms.

**Bid Security:** Bidders shall provide bid security in the form of an electronic bid bond in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total bid price (Base Bid and any Alternates) (as per R.S. 38:2218). Such security will become the property of the Owner in the event the successful bidder fails or refuses to execute the Contract or fails to produce performance and payment bonds upon contract signing.

When submitting online, bidders must submit an electronic bid bond through the respective online clearinghouse bond management system(s) as indicated in the electronic bid solicitation on Central Auction House. No scanned paper copies of any bid bond will be accepted as part of the electronic bid submission.

**Performance Bond:** A performance bond is required in 100% of the contract amount and is due at the signing of the formal contract.

**Payment Bond:** A payment bond is required in 100% of the contract amount and is due at the signing of the formal contract.

**J. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

All Bidders must submit with bid submission a current (valid) insurance certificate evidencing required coverages. Failure to comply will cause the bid to be rejected. The current insurance certificate will be used for proof of insurance at time of evaluation. Thereafter, and prior to contract execution, the low bidder will be required to provide final insurance certificates to the Parish which shall name the Jefferson Parish, its Districts Departments and Agencies under the direction of the Parish President and the Parish Council as additional insureds regarding negligence by the contractor for the Commercial General Liability and the Comprehensive Automobile Liability policies. Additionally, said certificates should reflect the name of the Parish Department receiving goods and services and reference the respective Jefferson Parish bid number.

**JEFFERSON PARISH REQUIRED STANDARD INSURANCE**

**WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE**

As required by Louisiana State Statute, exception; Employer's Liability, Section B shall be \$1,000,000 per occurrence when Work is to be over water and involves maritime exposures to cover all employees not covered under the State Worker's Compensation Act, otherwise this limit shall be no less than \$500,000 per occurrence.

**COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY**

Shall provide limits not less than the following: \$1,000,000.00 Combined Single Limit per Occurrence for bodily injury and property damage.

**COMPREHENSIVE AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY**

Bodily injury liability \$1,000,000.00 each person; \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence. Property Damage Liability \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence.

**UMBRELLA LIABILITY COVERAGE**

An umbrella policy or excess may be used to meet minimum requirements.

**FOR CONSTRUCTION AND RENOVATION PROJECTS:**

The following are required if selected. Such insurance is due upon contract execution.

**OWNER'S PROTECTIVE LIABILITY**

To be for the same limits of liability for bodily injury and property damage liability established for commercial general liability.

**BUILDER'S RISK INSURANCE**

The contractor shall maintain Builder's Risk Insurance at his own expense to insure both the owner (Parish of Jefferson) and contractor as their interest may appear.

**INSURANCE DEDUCTIBLES** - The Parish Attorney with concurrence of the Director of Risk Management have waived the deductible section of the Terms and Conditions for all Invitations to Bid, until further notice.

**K. INDEMNIFICATION**

**Bidder acknowledges that Bidder recovered the cost of any required insurance in the contract price as required by La.R.S. 9:2780.1(I) and that Bidder recovered any such cost for the purposes of insuring an obligation to indemnify Jefferson Parish, defend Jefferson Parish, or hold Jefferson Parish harmless and that Bidder's indemnity liability is limited to the amount of the proceeds that are payable under the insurance policy or policies that Bidder has obtained.**