

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

**SOUTHSIDE WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS
FOR THE
CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA**

Sealed bid proposals will be received by the City of Helen, Georgia, for furnishing all materials, labor, tools, equipment, and any other miscellaneous items necessary for the completion of the Southside Water System Improvements Project in Helen, Georgia. The award of this bid proposal, if awarded, will be based on several criteria, including prices, bid experience in the work proposed, and references.

For the purposes of this advertisement, bid proposal process, contract documents, and technical specifications, the terms bid(der), bid proposal, and proposal shall be synonymous.

Bids will be received at the City of Helen, 25 Alpenrosen Strasse, Helen, Georgia 30545 until 10:00 a.m. on June 28, 2018. Any bid received after said time and date of bid opening will not be considered by OWNER. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud on this date and at this time and location. All bids will be evaluated by OWNER and the project will be awarded, if it is awarded, within sixty (60) days of the bid opening. If a bidder is not selected within sixty (60) days of the bid opening, any bidder that is determined by the OWNER to be unlikely of being selected for contract award shall be released from their bid.

The Project consists of, but is not limited to the following major elements:

Construction of approximately 2,582 L.F. 8-inch PVC waterline, 937 L.F. of 8-inch waterline installed by horizontal directional drilling, 45 L.F. of jack and bore, 2 each fire hydrants, 15 service reconnections, and related appurtenances.

Time of completion for all work associated with this project shall be as follows: one hundred twenty (120) consecutive calendar days for all work. ***OWNER will take into consideration any days where work cannot be done due to inclement weather and the fall tourist season. Contractor is still responsible for requesting a time extension per the contract documents.*** Work shall begin from the date of a written "Notice to Proceed" from OWNER.

Copies of Contract Documents, Specifications, and Construction Drawings may be obtained at the office of Engineering Management, Inc., 303 Swanson Drive, Lawrenceville, Georgia, 30043, upon payment of a non-refundable cost of **\$250.00**. Checks shall be made payable to Engineering Management, Inc.

For general information regarding purchasing bid sets for this project, you may call Juanita Clark at (770) 962-1387 or jlark@eminc.biz. For technical questions, you may call Zack Bryan at (770) 962-1387, extension 111 or zbryan@eminc.biz.

The Information for Bidders, Bid Proposal Form, Form of Agreement, Drawings, Specifications, and forms of Bid Bond, Performance Bond, Payment Bond, Bidders Qualification Forms, and other Contract Documents may be examined at the following locations:

OWNER:
City of Helen
25 Alpenrosen Strasse
Helen, GA 30545
(706) 878-2733

ENGINEER:
Engineering Management Inc.
303 Swanson Drive
Lawrenceville, GA 30043
(770) 962-1387

A list of persons who purchased Contract Documents from Engineering Management, Inc. will be available from the Engineer ONLY through facsimile transmission, U.S. Mail, or from their website at www.eminc.biz.

OWNER requires a bid bond* or a certified cashier's check in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total bid to be enclosed with the bid at the time of bid opening. Cashier's check will be made payable to the City of Helen.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish OWNER with Insurance, Workman's Compensation Insurance, and Performance and Payment Bonds* in the amount of one-hundred percent (100%) of the total bid.

Each bid must be submitted in a SEALED ENVELOPE, addressed to the OWNER. Each sealed envelope containing a Bid must be plainly marked on the outside as, "Southside Water System Improvements Project for the City of Helen, Georgia". If bid is forwarded by mail, the sealed envelope containing the Bid must be enclosed in a separate mailing envelope to the attention of the OWNER at the address previously given.

All Bids must be made out on the bid form of the type bound in the Contract Documents, in accordance with the instructions in the Information for Bidders. No interlineation, additions, or deletions shall be made in the proposal form by the BIDDER.

Any and all Bids received without the aforementioned qualification criteria enclosed, will be returned to the BIDDER.

CONTRACTORS and SUBCONTRACTORS bidding on this Project will be required to comply with all Federal, State, and local laws.

OWNER reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all Bids, to evaluate Bids, and to accept any Bid which in its opinion may be in the best interest of the OWNER. No Bid will be rejected without just cause.

Successful Bidder will be required to perform WORK as the Prime Contractor. WORK performed by Prime Contractor shall be at a minimum 30% of the contract value.

No BIDDER may withdraw his bid within the time limit specified in the Instruction to Bidders (Section 00100).

This project is being financed by the Appalachian Region Commission and administered by The Georgia Environmental Finance Authority.

Successful BIDDERS will be required to document specific compliance with participation by Davis-Bacon Wage Rates.

The OWNER has acquired all necessary State and Federal permits in connection with this project. The OWNER has acquired all of the easements and rights of way in connection with this project.

*** Surety and insurance companies must have an AM Best rating of A-6 or greater, be listed in the Federal Registry of Companies holding Certificates of Authority and Acceptable Sureties on Federal Bonds, be licensed by the Georgia Insurance Department and the Georgia Secretary of State to do business in the State of Georgia. Surety companies executing Bonds must appear on the Treasury Department's most current list (Circular 570 as amended) For Performance Bonds less than \$300,000 an irrevocable Letter of Credit from a bank as defined in O.C.G.A. Code Section 7-1-4 may be submitted in lieu of a bond. In lieu of a Payment Bond, a Cashier's Check, Certified Check, or Cash may be submitted in an amount not less than the total amount payable by the terms of the CONTRACT.**

Jeffrey Ash, Mayor
Helen, Georgia

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