

CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA

NOTICE INVITING BIDS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids for performing the following described work will be received at the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Torrance, California, **until 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 11, 2013**, after which time they will be publicly opened and read at 3:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers of said City:

**CONSTRUCTION OF
CRENSHAW BOULEVARD REHABILITATION, T-22
(190TH STREET TO 182ND STREET)
B2013-50; Federal Project No. HPLUL-5249(022)**

Plans, Bid Schedule and Specifications are available for viewing and printing on the City website at <http://www.torranceca.gov/18649.htm>

Those who only view and/or print the Plans, Bid Schedule and Specifications from the City's website will not automatically be added to the City's Plan Holder list for this project.

The official Bidder's Submittal forms must be obtained at the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 3031 Torrance Boulevard, Torrance, California at (310) 618-2870. There is no cost if picked up at City Hall. A payment of \$5 is required if requested by mail. The amount includes tax and is not refundable. A prospective bidder must provide to the City Clerk the firm's name, address, telephone and fax numbers, a contact person and a valid email address. This will ensure that your firm is listed as a "Plan Holder" and that you will be informed of any and all information issued subsequent to obtaining the official Bidder's Submittal form. Addenda will be issued only by email and only to those that provide the required information to the City Clerk. Receipt of any Addendum must be acknowledged by a bidder in its submitted form of Bidder's Submittal. **If a bidder submits its Bidder's Submittal on a form other than the official Bidder's Submittal form, the City may declare the bid as non-responsive.**

Full-size 24" x 36" Plans and a bound Specifications booklet may also be obtained at the Office of the City Clerk (310) 618-2870, City Hall, 3031 Torrance Boulevard, Torrance, California upon payment of \$45 if picked up at City Hall, or payment of \$60 if requested by mail. Both amounts include tax. Neither amount is refundable. The \$45 or \$60 purchase includes a copy of the official form of Bidder's Submittal. If requesting any item(s) by mail, please send check to the following:

**CITY OF TORRANCE
OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK
3031 TORRANCE BLVD
TORRANCE, CA 90503
ATTN: B2013-50**

The Engineer's estimate of the contract total is between \$1,700,000 and \$1,900,000. All work shall be completed within 100 working days from the date of the Notice to Proceed (NTP).

Per Division 2, Chapter 2 of the Torrance Municipal Code, the Torrance City Council may reject any and all bids, waive any informality or irregularity in such bids, and determine the lowest responsible bidder. No facsimile bids shall be accepted by the City.

The DBE Contract goal is 14% percent. Refer to Section D4 "Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE)" for DBE requirements.

The City of Torrance hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation.

Substitution of securities for withheld funds is permitted per Section 22300 of the Public Contract Code.

The City has determined that a Class **A** Contractor's license is necessary to bid this project, but reserves the right to accept another Class at the sole discretion of either the Public Works Director or City Engineer.

This project is subject to the "Buy America" provisions of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982 as amended by the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991.

Pursuant to Section 1770 et seq. of the California Labor Code, the minimum prevailing rate of per diem wages for each craft, classification, or type of workman needed to execute the Contract shall be those determined by the Director of Industrial Relations of the State of California. These wages are set forth in the General Prevailing Wage Rates for this project, available from the California Department of Industrial Relations' Internet web site at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR/PWD>.

The Federal minimum wage rates for this project as predetermined by the United States Secretary of Labor are set forth in the Bid book and in copies of this book that may be examined at the offices described above where project plans, special provisions, and bid forms may be seen. Addenda to modify the Federal minimum wage rates, if necessary, will be issued to holders of Bid book. Future effective general prevailing wage rates, which have been predetermined and are on file with the California Department of Industrial Relations are referenced but not printed in the general prevailing wage rates.

Attention is directed to the Federal minimum wage rate requirements in this Bid book (shown in Appendix X). If there is a difference between the minimum wage rates predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and the general prevailing wage rates determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations for similar classifications of labor, the Contractor and subcontractors shall pay not less than the higher wage rate. The Department will not accept lower State wage rates not specifically included in the Federal minimum wage determinations. This includes "helper" (or other classifications based on hours of experience) or any other classification not appearing in the Federal wage determinations. Where Federal wage determinations do not contain the State wage rate determination otherwise available for use by the Contractor and subcontractors, the Contractor and subcontractors shall pay not less than the Federal minimum wage rate, which most closely approximates the duties of the employees in question.

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) provides a toll-free "hotline" service to report bid rigging activities. Bid rigging activities can be reported Mondays through Fridays, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time, Telephone No. 1-800-424-9071. Anyone with knowledge of possible bid rigging, bidder collusion, or other fraudulent activities should use the "hotline" to report these activities. The "hotline" is part of the DOT's continuing effort to identify and investigate highway construction contract fraud and abuse and is operated under the direction of the DOT Inspector General. All information will be treated confidentially and caller anonymity will be respected.

By order of the City Council of the City of Torrance, California.

For further information, please contact Lubna Arikat, Associate Engineer in the Public Works Department at (310) 781-6900.