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, April 11, 2018,** after which time they will be publicly opened and read at 3:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers of said City:

CONSTRUCTION OF DOWNTOWN TORRANCE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT FEDERAL PROJECT NO. (ATPL-5249(031))

B2018-07

Plans and Specifications are available on the City's project website at https://www.torranceca.gov/our-city/public-works/civil-and-traffic-engineering/capital-improvement-projects/downtown-torrance-active-transportation-improvement-project-i-135

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

The official Bidder's Submittal packet must be obtained from the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 3031 Torrance Boulevard, Torrance, California. Contact the City Clerk's office at (310) 781-7530 or CityClerk@TorranceCA.gov for more information. There is no cost if the Bidder's Submittal is obtained 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 can be contacted for any purpose related to this bid. Addenda will be issued only by posting to the project's website listed above. It is the Bidder's sole responsibility to visit the project's website to obtain and administer any Addendum related to this bid. An Addendum must be acknowledged by a bidder in its submitted form of Proposal. If a bidder submits its Bidder's Submittal on forms other than the official Bidder's Submittal forms, the City may declare the bid as non-responsive.

A bound Specifications booklet may also be obtained at the same Office of the City Clerk, upon payment of \$30 if obtained at City Hall, or payment of \$40 if requested by mail. Both amounts include tax. Neither amount is refundable. The \$30 or \$40 includes a copy of the official Bidder's Submittal packet. 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: B2018-07

The Engineer's estimate of the contract total is between \$2,300,000 and \$2,400,000. All work shall be completed within <u>175</u> working days from the date of the Construction Notice to Proceed (NTP).

An Administrative Notice to Proceed will be issued prior to the issuance of a Construction Notice to Proceed. Refer to Section 6-1.1 of the specifications for additional details.

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.

This project has a DBE Contract goal of <u>4.01%</u> percent. Refer to Section B Instructions to Bidders, subsection D4 "Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE)"

The City of Torrance hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, underutilized 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 <u>A</u> 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 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 successful bidder shall pay not less than the prevailing rate of per diem wages as determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations. These wage rates are available from the California Department of Industrial Relations' Internet website at http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR/PWD

Pursuant to Section 1725.5 of the California Labor Code, no contractor or subcontractor may be awarded a contract for public work on a public works project unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations at the time the contract is awarded. Contractors and subcontractors may find additional information for registering at the Department of Industrial Relations website at http://www.dir.ca.gov/Public-Works/PublicWorks.html.

Pursuant to Labor Code section 1771.1, no contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal for a public works project submitted on or after March 1, 2015 unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations. Furthermore, all bidders and contractors are hereby notified that no contractor or subcontractor may be awarded, on or after April 1, 2015, a contract for public work on a public works project unless registered with the Department of Industrial Relations.

Pursuant to Labor Code section 1771.4, all bidders are hereby notified that this project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the Department of Industrial Relations. Also refer to Special Provisions Section 7-2.6 of this document. (SB854)

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 Section F of this Bid book. 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, contact Shin Furukawa, Engineering Manager in the Public Works Department at (310) 618-3073 or SFurukawa@TorranceCA.gov, and Justin Gatza, Associate Engineer at (310) 618-3032 or JGatza@TorranceCA.gov.