SECTION 00020 INVITATION FOR BIDS

May 22, 2020

The City of Americus will accept sealed bids on the work below at the City of Americus, 101 West Lamar Street, Americus, Georgia 31709, until 10 a.m. local time, August 21, 2020 at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

Project Title: SR 3/US 19 & SR 27/SR 49/US 280 - Pedestrian Improvements

Funding sources for this project include:

• Georgia Department of Transportation TE Funds PI No. 0010213

Bidders should note that Georgia Department of Transportation Standard Specifications, 2013 Edition, Supplemental Specifications Book, 2016 Edition, and applicable Supplemental Specifications and Special Provisions apply to this project. The applicable GDOT specifications govern over any conflicting requirements that may be found in the Agreement, Supplemental General Provisions, and General Conditions. The Federal-Aid Certification, DBE Goals Form, and the Georgia Security and Immigration Compliance Act Affidavit are required to be submitted with the bid. Failure to submit this information may subject the bidder to be declared non-responsive in accordance with GDOT Specification 102.07.

The City of Americus in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and 78 Stat. 252, 42 USC 2000d—42 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, part 21, Nondiscrimination in federally assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, sex, or national origin in consideration for an award.

A DBE participation goal of thirteen percent (13%) applies to this project.

Bidders submitting bids over \$2,000,000 shall be prequalified with the GDOT. Bidders submitting bids \$2,000,000 or less shall be prequalified or registered subcontractors with the GDOT.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held onsite at **10 a.m.** local time, **August 5, 2020**. The meeting is not mandatory, but it is highly recommended that potential bidders attend. The meeting will be held at 101 West Lamar Street, Americus, Georgia 31709. The last date to post questions regarding the contract will be August 7, 2020. The last date of Addendums will be August 12, 2020.

If the Contract is awarded, it will be awarded to the lowest reliable bidder whose proposal shall have met all the prescribed requirements. (GDOT Standard Specifications Section 103.02). The low bid will be determined based on the sum of the Base Bid plus any Additive Alternates selected by the Owner.

The project consists of:

6,710 SY 4" & 6" Concrete, 6,960 LF Traffic Striping, 530 LF Concrete Retaining Wall, 530 LF Aluminum Handrail, 362 LF Type T Guardrail, Pedestrian Park with Landscaping, 3 Flagpoles, Benches, Waste Receptacles, and a Park Lighting System with 22 Luminaires.

The Instructions to Bidders, Form of Bid, Form of Agreement, Specifications, and Forms of Bid Bond, Performance Bond, and other contract documents may be examined at:

The City of Americus 101 West Lamar Street Americus, GA 31709

Digital plan sets may be obtained for a fee of \$50 by contacting Palmer & Hilliard Engineering at (229) 349-0166. No refunds will be made.

The Owner reserves the rights to waive any and all informalities, to reject any and all bids, and to disregard all nonconforming, nonresponsive, unbalanced or conditioned bids.

Each BIDDER must deposit with his bid, security in the amount of <u>5%</u> and shall be subject to the conditions provided in Section 00200 "INSTRUCTION TO BIDDERS."

Performance and Payment Bonds are required as per Section 103.05 of the GDOT Standard Specifications. Performance Bond requirement is 100% of the contract amount and the Payment Bond requirement is 110% of the contract amount.

The Work will be substantially completed within 150 days after the date when the Contract Times commence to run as provided in Paragraph 2.03 of the General Conditions and completed and ready for final payment in accordance with Paragraph 14.07 of the General Conditions within 180 days after the date when the Contract Times commence to run.

All bids will remain subject to acceptance for 90 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.