

**TOWN OF DURHAM, CONNECTICUT
HIGGANUM ROAD IMPROVEMENTS**

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed Bids for the **Higganum Road Improvements** will be received by the **Town of Durham** at the Issuing Office until **2:00 PM** local time on **Thursday, February 7, 2019** at which time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud. **The Project consists of road improvements including hot mix asphalt wedge paving areas, overlay and full depth replacement areas, culvert replacement, guiderail replacement, signage, and stormwater drainage system improvements.**

Bids will be received for a single prime Contract. Bids shall be on a lump sum and unit price basis as indicated in the Bid Form.

The Issuing Office is the **Office of the First Selectman, Durham Town Hall, 30 Town House Road, Durham, Connecticut (860-349-3625)**. Prospective Bidders may examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office during normal business hours.

Printed copies of the Bidding Documents may be obtained from the Issuing Office upon payment of a non-refundable fee of **\$150** for each set. Checks shall be payable to "**Town of Durham**". There will be an additional charge of \$10 for mailing. To receive the documents via package services, send a completed pre-paid pickup label from either UPS or FEDEX to the Issuing Office. PDF copies are available upon request after the receipt of the non-refundable fee.

The date that the Bidding Documents are transmitted by the Issuing Office is the Bidder's date of receipt of the Bidding Documents. Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available from the Issuing Office. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including Addenda if any, obtained from sources other than the Issuing Office.

A pre-bid conference will be held at **10:00 AM** local time on **Thursday January 24, 2019** at the **3rd Floor Meeting Room, Durham Town Hall, 30 Town House Road, Durham, CT**. Pre-bid conference attendance is encouraged but is not mandatory.

Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Bond in the amount of five percent of the Bid.

The successful Bidder will be required to provide Performance and Payment Bonds each in the amount of one hundred percent of the Contract Price.

The successful Bidder shall comply with the requirements of Prevailing Wage Rate Laws in accordance with Section 31-51 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

The contractor who is selected to perform this State funded project must comply with CONN. GEN. STAT. §§ 4a-60, 4a-60a, 4a-60g, and 46a-68b through 46a-68f, inclusive, as amended by June 2015 Special Session Public Act 15-5.

State law requires a minimum of twenty-five (25%) percent of the state-funded portion of the contract for award to subcontractors holding current certification from the Connecticut Department of Administrative Services ("DAS") under the provisions of CONN. GEN. STAT. § 4a-60g. (25% of the work with DAS certified Small and Minority owned businesses and 25% of that work with DAS certified Minority, Women, and/or Disabled owned businesses.) The contractor must demonstrate good faith effort to meet the 25% set-aside goals.

For municipal public works contracts and quasi-public agency projects, the contractor must file a written or electronic non-discrimination certification with the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities. Forms can be found at http://www.ct.gov/opm/cwp/view.asp?a=2982&q=390928&opmNav_GID=1806.

Prospective bidders must be prequalified by the Department of Transportation for the work to be performed for Group numbers appropriate to the work.

The Contract Documents require affirmative action of the Contractor and any subcontractors to ensure equal employment opportunity as noted in Governor's Executive Orders 3 and 17.

The Owner is exempt from payment of Sales and Use Taxes on all materials and equipment to be incorporated in the Work. These taxes shall not be included in the Bid.

Any contract or contracts awarded under this invitation for bids are expected to be funded by a grant from the State of Connecticut Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTICIP). Neither the State of Connecticut nor any of its Departments, agencies, or employees is or will be a party to this invitation for bids or any resulting contract.

Unless provided for by the Instruction to Bidders, no Bid may be withdrawn until sixty (60) days after the Bid Opening. The Town reserves the right to: reject any or all bids; make extensions to review Bids; waive informalities or defects; and to accept the Bid that, in the Town's judgement, will be in its best interests.

The Town is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Minority/Women Business Enterprises are encouraged to apply.

Owner: Town of Durham, Connecticut

By: Laura L. Francis, First Selectman

Date: **January 10, 2019**

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