TOWN OF OXFORD OXFORD, CONNECTICUT

Oxford Little River Nature Preserve and Municipal Center

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed Bids for the Oxford Little River Nature Preserve and Municipal Center will be received physically until **Thursday, March 7, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.** local time at which they will be publicly opened and read. Sealed hard copies of the bids shall be delivered to the First Selectman's office at the Town of Oxford Town Hall building located at 486 Oxford Road, Oxford, Connecticut 06478. **Physical copies must be received no later than March 7, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. to be considered for the Bid.**

The project consists of 10 ft wide asphalt multi-use trail and nature trail and patio along Oxford Road (Route 67) in the Town of Oxford. The project includes landscaping, bollards, striping, drainage improvements and pedestrian facilities including decorative lighting and benches. On the south side of Oxford Road (Route 67) there will be a connection to an existing nature preserve stone dust walking path and a new paver patio. The proposed asphalt sidewalk will start at the town hall and will continue south for 1,200 LF where it will terminate after the Oxford Center Municipal Annex Building.

Bidding and Contract Documents may be viewed and downloaded on the Town's website, oxford-ct.gov

Partial sets of Bidding and Contract Documents will not be available. The Town of Oxford will not be responsible for full or partial sets of Contract Documents, including any addenda, obtained from other sources.

The project is funded by the Community Connectivity Grant Program (CCGP) from the State of Connecticut, which was administered by the Connecticut Department of Transportation. The State Project number is 0170-3513GR.

The contractor who is selected to perform this State funded project must comply with Sections 4a-60 and 4a-60a of the Connecticut General Statutes and An Affirmative Action Plan must be filed with and approved by the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities prior to the commencement of construction.

State law requires a minimum of 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. as amended. (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=180

Contractor must coordinate directly with CHRO.

PRE-BID MEETING

A non-mandatory Pre-Bid meeting of bidders will be held in regards to this project. This meeting will take place on **Wednesday**, **February 14**, **2024 at 2:00 p.m.** local time in Room #1 at the Oxford Town Hall, 486 Oxford Road, Oxford, Connecticut 06478

BID SECURITY

Bid security in the amount of five (5) percent of the bid must accompany each bid in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders. The successful bidder must furnish a Performance Bond and Payment Bond in the amount of 100% of the Project bid cost.

OUALIFICATIONS OF BIDDERS

Bidders will be required to furnish information regarding their qualifications to perform the work as set forth in the Instructions to Bidders.

The attention of bidders is called to the requirements of non-discrimination in employment practices, conditions of employment, and prevailing wage rates to be paid. The Town of Oxford will not knowingly conduct business with providers of goods or services that are known to discriminate. The Town of Oxford encourages responses to its purchasing needs from Women-owned and Minority-owned enterprises. The Town of Oxford is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

No Bidder may withdraw his Bid within ninety (90) calendar days after the date set for the receipt thereof. In the event that the Town of Oxford requires more than ninety (90) calendar days after the actual date of the receipt of Bids and the selected, qualified Bidder does not grant an extension of time, the Town reserves the right to award the Contract to another qualified Bidder who does grant an extension of time to award.

Bidders are required to personally inspect the job site area to ascertain information on site conditions.

Bidder is required to self-perform a minimum of 50% of the total contract value.

Contract commencement and completion time will be in accordance with Article 3 of the Agreement, located within the project manual.

RIGHT TO REJECT BID

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids, in whole or in part, to award any items, group of items or total bid, and to waive any informality or technical defects, if it is deemed to be in the best interest of the Town of Oxford.

The Town reserves the right to reject any or all bids pursuant to Section 16 of Connecticut Special Act No. 77-98, as amended.

George R. Temple First Selectman Town of Oxford, CT Date: January 31, 2024

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