

ADVERTISEMENT
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS
CITY OF HOT SPRINGS – UTILITY DEPARTMENT
HOT SPRING, ARKANSAS
DAVIDSON DRIVE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT IMPROVEMENTS
AND
GULPHA BASIN PUMP STATION IMPROVEMENTS

The City of Hot Springs, Arkansas (Owner) is requesting Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) from General Contractor Construction Manager (GC/CM) companies (Proposer) for pre-construction, procurement, construction management, and construction of the following Project packages:

- PACKAGE A Gulpha Basin Pump Station Improvements: Construct a new 22 MGD submersible pump station, valve vault, screening structure, electrical building, diesel motor driven generator with ATS.
- PACKAGE B Davidson Drive Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements: Aeration system improvement to increasing the biological capacity from 12 MGD to 16 MGD, Increase the hydraulic capacity from 24 MGD to 48 MGD, Yard Piping Improvements, New secondary clarifier, new chemical feed building, new diesel driven electric generator with ATS.
- PACKAGE C Davidson Drive Wastewater Treatment Plant UV Disinfection: Increase the capacity of the UV Disinfection system from 44 MGD to 75 MGD
- PACKAGE D Davidson Drive Wastewater Treatment Plant Outfall: Construct approximately 1,600 linear feet of 54-in. pipeline from the WWTP to Lake Catherine
- PACKAGE E Davidson Drive Wastewater Treatment Plant Lake Catherine Marine Phase: Construct approximately 300 linear feet of buried 54-in. pipeline and 80 linear feet of 54-in diffuser in Lake Catherine with anchor piles secured in rock.

The authority for this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) is found in Arkansas Code Annotated §19-11-801 thru §19-11-805 et seq. which establishes the policy of the State of Arkansas and political subdivisions that contract for professional services be negotiated on the basis of demonstrated competence and qualifications and prohibits the use of competitive bidding for selection. Those respondents soliciting RFQ's shall be appropriately licensed to conduct business as a General Contractor / Construction Manager in accordance with Arkansas State Licensing Law for Commercial Contractors, Act 150 of 1965 and Act 162 of 1987, as amended.

Owner will receive Statements of Qualifications (SOQ) demonstrating the Proposer's qualifications and the ability to provide GC/CM services for the Projects at the Davidson Wastewater Treatment Plant located at 320 Davidson Drive, and the Gulpha Basin Pump Station located at 109 Catherine Heights Road, both locations in Hot Springs, Arkansas until **November 14, 2023, at 2:00 PM**. After that time, the Owner will no longer accept Statements of Qualifications.

The Requests for Qualifications (RFQ) provides details on preparing and submitting the Statement of Qualifications. The RFQ package includes the description of services required, an outline for presentation of qualifications, and the method of selection.

The GC/CM Contract has an expected preconstruction services start date not later than **January 15, 2024**.

The Issuing Office for the RFQ Documents is Crist Engineers, Inc., 205 Executive Court, Little Rock, Arkansas 72205, 501.664.1552. The GC/CM firm can solicit their RFQ package by contacting Craig Johnson, P.E., via email at cjohnson@cristengineers.com. Electronic confirmation of receipt will be provided. No hard copies of the RFQ package will be distributed. The RFQ package along with supporting documentation, and addendum's thereto will be submitted through direct email and/or One Drive cloud-based server. The submitting GC/CM firm shall provide a single point of contact with a valid email address through the advertisement period at the time of the solicitation. Neither Owner, Owner's Advisor, nor Engineer will be responsible for RFQ Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than from the Issuing Office as indicated above.

Potential Proposers will be permitted to visit the sites from **9:00 AM to 4:00 PM on October 25, 2023**, to familiarize themselves with the proposed scope of work. Each Proposer shall not bring more than four attendees and shall register their visitation with Mr. Harold Mauldin at the Administration Building located at the Davidson Drive Wastewater Treatment Plant, 320 Davidson Drive, Hot Springs, Arkansas 71901, prior to entry to the facilities. No Owner representative or Owner designates will be available for questions.

The Proposers will be afforded the opportunity to ask questions during a non-mandatory web based informational conference to be held with potential proposers on **October 26, 2023, at 1:00 PM**. The meeting will not be recorded. The web platform will be Microsoft Teams. The Owner and the Engineer will participate to answer questions. Information to connect will be provided upon registration with the Issuing Office; otherwise, questions shall be submitted through the issuing office.

The contracting party shall not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, color, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, or disability.

It is the City's policy to encourage the involvement of Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (minority-owned and women-owned businesses) in this contract award process. DBE's are particularly invited to submit statements, either as a prime contractor, subcontractor, or as a part of a joint venture. Non- DBE firms are encouraged to arrange subcontracts or joint ventures with DBE's prior to the submission of their response.

Construction Management firms desiring to submit a statement of qualifications (SOQ) must submit their response to the RFQ to Mr. Todd Piller, P.E., Major Capital Projects Manager, Engineering Department, 133 Convention Blvd., Hot Springs, Arkansas, 71901 not later than **November 14, 2023 at 2:00 PM** in person or by parcel service. The proof of receipt by the deadline shall be the burden of the Proposer.

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