## SECTION 00020

## ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Town of Blacksburg will receive bids for the construction of the "HIGHWAY 5 SEWER PROJECT" until 10:00 AM on Tuesday, March 7, 2017 in the Council Chambers, at which time and place all bids will be opened and read aloud in public.

This project is to be bid as one (1) division of work. The Contract will be awarded to the responsible bidder producing the lowest total base bid. The following generally describes the work included:

Installation of a new wet well, duplex sewer pumps, valve pit, control panel, approximately 3,300 LF of 6-inch sewer force main, approximately 1,750 LF of 8-inch gravity sewer, 12 manholes and all appurtenances to serve a portion of the Highway 5 Corridor.

Contract and Bid documents and supportive information are on file at the following locations:

- OWNER: Town of Blacksburg 105 S. Shelby Street Blacksburg, SC 29702
- ENGINEER: Summit Engineering Group, Inc. 9601 Warren H. Abernathy Highway Spartanburg, SC 29301

CONTRACTOR SERVICES: iSqFt On-line at www.isqft.com

Copies of the contract drawings, specifications, and bid documents shall be obtained at the office of the Engineer upon receipt of a non-refundable payment of \$150.00 for each set. When requesting copies of the contract drawings, specifications and bid documents, provide the following information about your company: Mailing address, street / delivery address, telephone and facsimile numbers, and email address. All Bidders are required to purchase contract documents from the engineer.

Only those contract drawings, specifications and bid documents obtained from the Engineer are official. Bidders cannot rely on the accuracy of copies of the aforementioned documents, drawings, specifications, etc. obtained from any other sources. Bidders must be on the Engineer's official plan holders list for bids to be accepted by the Owner. Questions about the project must be received by February 28, 2017 and should be directed to Rich Anderson in writing at randerson@summitengineeringgroup.com.

Bidders must deposit security with all bids. Security shall be in the form of a certified check or bid bond made payable to the Owner, and shall be for an amount equal to not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid. Provisions of the security shall be as described in the Information for Bidders.

Performance and Payment Bonds, each in the amount of 100% of the contract price will be required of the successful bidder.

Funding for the project shall be provided via a grant from the S.C. Department of Commerce ARC Grant Program and local match funding provided by the Town of Blacksburg. All SC Consolidated

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## Procurement Code and Regulations will apply to the contract. All contractors and subcontractors are required to be registered in the federal System for Award Management (SAM).

Bidders will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11246 and Order No. 11375 which prohibit discrimination in employment regarding race, creed, color, sex or national origin. Bidders must comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Davis-Bacon Act, the Anti-Kickback Act, the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, and 40 CFR 33.240.

Bidders must also make positive efforts to use small and minority-owned business and to offer employment, training, and contracting opportunities in accordance with Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968. Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the contract.

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Any prospective bidder, contractor or subcontractor who is aggrieved in connection with the solicitation of this contract may protest to the Engineer (or) the Owner in accordance with Section 11-35-4210 of the SC Code of Laws, within 15 days of the date of issuance of the Notice of Intent to Award.

No bid will be considered unless the bidder is legally qualified, on the date of the bid, under the provisions of the South Carolina Contractor's Licensing Law (South Carolina Code of Laws as amended on April 1, 1999, Chapter 11, Sections 40-11-10 through 40-11-428). Contractors shall have a classification of <u>WL</u>.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids or waive any informality in the bidding. The Owner anticipates award of the contract within thirty (30) days from the date of the opening of bids; however, to allow adequate time for funding agency approval, bids may be held by the Owner for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days from the date of the opening of bids.

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