

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that Monroe Fire Protection District ("Owner"), by and through its Board is requesting bids from qualified contractors to provide work and services related to a public work project located at 478 East Chambers Pike, Bloomington, IN 47404

The sealed bids for the project will be received until **September 4, 2024, at 1:00 PM (EST)**. Bids must clearly be labeled "Attn: Monroe Fire Protection District—Station 26 Sealed Bid—Do not open." Bid opening will occur at the Nat U Hill room at the Monroe County Courthouse, 100 W. Kirkwood Ave., Bloomington, IN, on September 4, 2024, at 1:00 PM. Bids may be delivered at the time of bid opening or in advance to Ferguson Law at 403 E. Sixth Street, Bloomington, IN.

All Bids received at such place, date, and time will be opened and read aloud in public at the address listed above immediately after the posted time. All bids received after such time will not be considered and returned to the respective bidder unopened.

All work for the complete construction of and services for the project shall be performed under one prime contract with the Owner. Bidders must submit a completed SBOA Form 96 (<https://www.in.gov/sboa/about-us/electronic-forms/>) financial statement, statement of experience, proposed plan or plans for performing the work, and the resources, labor, technology, materials, supplies, and equipment bidder has available for the performance of the work. Bidders must include a satisfactory bid bond or certified check pursuant to Ind. Code § 36-1-12-4.5, payable to "Monroe Fire Protection District." Bid security shall be in the amount of 5% of the bidder's total contract price. Bidders must also include an affidavit that the bidder has not entered into a combination or agreement: 1. Relative to the price to be bid by a person; 2. To prevent a person from bidding; or, 3. To induce a person to refrain from bidding and that his bid is made without reference to any other bid. Should a successful bidder within ten (10) days after written notice of acceptance of bid withdraw its bid, fail to provide the required payment and performance bonds, or execute a satisfactory contract, the Owner may then declare that bid security forfeited as liquidated damages, not as a penalty.

All contractors and sub-contractors must comply with all applicable laws including but not limited to the requirements of Ind. Code § 36-1-12, § 5-16-13 et seq., and as detailed in the bidding documents. Contractors must also be able to meet all requirements found in applicable licensing, public works, purchasing, and contract statutes.

Bidding documents for each project, including plans and specification are available at: <https://www.monroefd.org/bid-request.html> and hard-copy prints are available for purchase at Mr. Copy, 501 E. 10th St., Bloomington, IN 47408.

Bidders must register for the project bid with tbovenschen@monroefd.org in order to be added to a distribution list to allow the bidder to receive communications, notices, and addendums related to the bidding documents.

Prior to approval and execution of the Owner's contract, each contractor who is the successful bidder for a project shall furnish an approved performance and labor and materials payment bond in the amount of 100% of the contract amount, which shall cover the faithful performance of the contract and the payment of all obligations arising thereunder. Performance and payment bonds shall remain in full force and effect for a period of one year after the Owner's acceptance of the work and Owner's final settlement with the successful bidder.

The Owner expects to award a contract for the work to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder for the project at its **September 11, 2024**, board meeting, which will take place at 9094 S. Strain Ridge Road, Bloomington, IN at 6:00 PM. Owner reserves the right to hold bids, including any alternates, for up to 60 days from the date of the bid opening. Owner reserves in its sole discretion the right to cancel the solicitation, reject any and all bids, is not obligated to accept the lowest or any other bid, and may waive any irregularities, discrepancies, omissions, variances or informalities in the bidding procedure. A Prebid meeting for the project will be held at the Nat U Hill room at the Monroe County Courthouse, 100

W. Kirkwood Ave., Bloomington, IN, on **August 21, 2024**, at 1:00 p.m., local time. Prime bidders are required to attend.