

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners of Elkhart County, Indiana, will receive sealed bids in accordance with Indiana law up to **9:00 AM on Monday March 25, 2024** for the following project:

CR 20 AND CR 37 SOUTHSIDE IMPROVEMENTS - ELKHART COUNTY PROJECT.

It is the responsibility of the bidder to ensure that its bid is delivered on time to the Office of the Elkhart County Commissioners, County Administration Building, 117 N. Second Street, Goshen, IN 46526.

Detailed Specifications, Plans, and bidding documents may be obtained from the **Elkhart County Highway Department, website** at www.elkcohwvy.org starting at **9:00 AM on March 8, 2024**. Plans, Specifications and Bidding Documents may not be obtained prior to this date. A pre-bid meeting will be held at the Elkhart County Highway Department Office, 610 Steury Ave, Goshen, Indiana at **1:00 PM on March 15, 2024**. The pre-bid meeting is not mandatory; however, attendance is recommended to receive the latest updates and have questions answered in the timeliest manner. Bidders who fail to participate in the pre-bid meeting and submit a bid do so at the risk of not having the best information. Further, it is the responsibility of interested bidders to check the Elkhart County Highway website for updates and/or addendums to project bids.

Proposals shall be properly and completely executed on proposal forms furnished by the County in accordance with Revised Indiana Form 96 and shall be accompanied by the Contractor's Financial Statement form taken from Form 96 for any proposal of \$5,000 or more.

The Contractor shall submit an itemized proposal of the approximate quantities and components of labor and materials to complete the contract. Said proposal shall be upon the standard bid sheets used by Elkhart County and said sheet must contain an authorized signature of the Contractor, or the bid of the Contractor may, at the discretion of Elkhart County, be rejected and declared invalid. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a non-collusion affidavit as required by the Statutes of Indiana. Bids shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope, bearing the title of the project and name and address of bidder.

Bids will be accepted only from bidders who are sufficiently and currently pre-qualified by the Indiana Department of Transportation. Proof of pre-qualifications must be submitted with the bid.

A current Contractor's Financial Statement taken from Form 96 and the Indiana Department of Transportation pre-qualification certificate may be placed on file with the Board of County Commissioners of Elkhart County at the Highway Division annually in lieu of executing these documents for each project.

Phase One work may begin **June 1, 2024 if the awarded bidder completes the necessary contract documents and receives a Notice to Proceed**. The Project Completion Date is **November 1, 2025**. Delays in completion beyond that date shall result in liquidated damages levied against the Contractor by Elkhart County. The damage charges shall be \$3,000 per day per item beyond the above stated date, any intermediate completion dates noted in the specifications, and the **Substantial Completion date of July 1, 2025**.

A satisfactory bid bond (10% of bid), payable to the Board of County Commissioners of Elkhart County, Indiana executed by the bidder shall be submitted with each bid.

No bids shall be withdrawn after the opening of the bids without the consent of the Board of Commissioners of Elkhart County for a period of thirty (30) days after the scheduled time of closing.

Said work shall be subject to all the provisions of the plans and specifications therefore herein above referred to including the completion date thereof and penalty clause as therein set forth.

The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to reject any and all Bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding.

Dated this 4th day of March, 2024:

Bradley D. Rogers, President
Elkhart County Commissioners

Attest:
Patricia A. Pickens
Elkhart County Auditor

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Wednesday, March 6, 2024
Wednesday, March 13, 2024