NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed Proposals will be received by the Borough of North Plainfield, Somerset County, New Jersey for the:

SOMERSET STREET STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS-HOWARD STREET TO GRANDVIEW AVENUE FEDERAL PROJECT NUMBER DE-0531(300) JOB # 7214306

and opened and read in public by the Municipal Clerk or the Clerk's designee, at Borough Hall, 263 Somerset Street, North Plainfield, New Jersey 07060, 2nd Floor Conference Room on **Tuesday**, **September 15, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.** prevailing time.

Specifications for the proposed Work, prepared by David J. Testa, P.E., Borough Engineer, are available at Grotto Engineering Associates, LLC, 340 North Avenue East, Cranford, New Jersey, and may be purchased for Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) by prospective Bidders during business hours between 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

NO TELEPHONE INQUIRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED. NO ESTIMATED COSTS OR QUANTITIES SHALL BE GIVEN BY FAX OR TELEPHONE.

Proposals are being solicited through a fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.2, et seq., and as such, contractors are exempt from the limitations on making political contributions under the law. Further, for that reason, as well as because of a language in new Jersey's Annual Appropriation Act, refusal to disclose campaign contributions otherwise required by N.J.S.A. 19:44QA-20.2 et seq. and 19:44A-20.25 et seq., will not adversely affect your consideration for award.

This project is being funded by a Federal Aid Grant through the NJDOT and the contractor must follow and comply with all Federal Aid requirements and regulations.

The Disadvantaged Business Enterprise goal is 1% for this project. The Trainee Positions goal is zero for this project.

Bidders will be furnished with a copy of the Specifications by request upon proper notice. Proposals must be made on the standard Proposal Forms in the manner designated in the Contract Documents. Proposals must be enclosed in sealed envelopes bearing the name and address of the Bidder, and the name of the Work on the outside; addressed to Mayor and Council, Borough of North Plainfield; and must be accompanied by a statement of Consent of Surety from a surety company authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey and acceptable to the Borough; and either a Bid Bond or a Certified Check drawn to the order of Borough of North Plainfield for not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount bid, except that the check need not exceed \$20,000.00.

The Borough reserves the right to require a complete financial and experience statement from prospective Bidders showing that they have satisfactorily completed work of the nature required before awarding the Contract. A <u>Valid Business Registration</u> issued by the State of New Jersey is to be provided prior to the Award of Contract. The Business Registration Certificate must be obtained by the Bidder prior to the receipt of Bids; however, a Business Registration Certificate is not required in the submission of the Proposal Forms for this Contract.

The Borough reserves the right to reject any or all Bids or to waive any informality where such informality is not detrimental to the best interest of the Borough. The right is also reserved to increase or decrease the quantities specified in the manner designated in the Specifications.

The successful Bidder shall be required to comply with the following:

- A. Anti-Kickback Regulations under Section 2 of the Act of June 13, 1934, known as the Copeland Act.
- B. The Affirmative Action requirement of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27
- C. The provisions of the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, Chapter 150 of the Laws of 1963, effective January 1, 1964 and David Bacon Wage Act (Federal).
- D. All Bidders are required to comply with the Regulations of P.L. 1999, c.238, "The Public Works Contractor Registration Act" when dealing with repair, maintenance or improvements to a public building.
- E. All FHWA requirements as per this Specification and all attachments.

All Bids shall be binding upon the Bidder for a period of 60 days subsequent to the opening of Bids.

BY ORDER OF the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of North Plainfield, Somerset County, New Jersey.

Richard K. Phoenix., RMC