

**ADVERTISEMENT/INVITATION FOR BIDS
REQUEST FOR SEALED PROPOSALS**

PROJECT: City of Alton – USDA Sanitary Sewer Yard Line Project

DESCRIPTION: Work of the Project consists of decommissioning of existing residential septic tanks and the installation of a plumbing inside residential properties and connecting to the existing wastewater collection system.

PROPOSAL DUE DATE: Thursday, March 28, 2019 **TIME:** 3:00 P.M. C.S.T.

The City of Alton will receive sealed bids for the US Department of Agriculture (USDA) Sanitary Sewer Yard Line Project until 3:00 p.m. on Thursday March 28, 2019 addressed to the City of Alton in the office of the city manager, Alton City Hall, 509 S. Alton Blvd. Suite F, Alton, Texas 78573. The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud as near as practical after 3:00 p.m. on the date of submittal at the Alton City Hall. Bids received after closing time will be returned unopened.

Bid/Contract Documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications are available from LEMC, LLC. located at 208 S. Alton Blvd. Alton, Texas 78574 the phone number is 956-687-5362, upon request and payment of \$150.00. The payment is non-refundable. Electronic drawings will be provided at no cost.

A pre-bid conference will be conducted by the Owner on Thursday March 21, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. The pre-bid conference shall be conducted at the City of Alton City Hall office located at, 509 S. Alton Boulevard, Alton, Texas 78573. Sub-contractors, suppliers, and equipment suppliers may attend.

A bid bond in the amount of 5 percent of the bid issued by an acceptable surety shall be submitted with each bid. A certified check or bank draft payable to the City of Alton or negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (as par value) may be submitted in lieu of the Bid Bond.

This contract is subject to the requirements of the Davis Bacon Wage Act and all reporting requirements. Wages paid on this project will be governed by USDA requirements and the Department of Labor (DOL) Wage General Decision or Decisions included within the bid documents for this project. The contract will also be subject to monitoring and reporting requirements described in the bid documents.

Attention is called to the fact that the successful Bidder will be required to make good faith efforts to achieve Minority Business Enterprise (MBE)/Women's Business Enterprise (WBE) "fair share" goals. Also not less than the federally determined prevailing (Davis-Bacon and Related Acts) wage rate, as issued by the Texas Department of Rural Affairs and contained in the contract documents, must be paid on this project. In addition, the successful bidder must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex age or national origin.

Any contract or contracts awarded under this invitation for bids are expected to be funded in part by a loan from the USDA. Neither the State of Texas nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees are or will be a party to this Invitation for Bids or any resulting contract.

Equal Opportunity in Employment – All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap or national origin. Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11275, and as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations 41 CFR Part 60.

The City of Alton is an Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity Employer.

The City of Alton reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informality in the bidding. In case of ambiguity or lack of clearness in stating prices in any bid, the Owner reserves the right to consider the most advantageous construction thereof or to reject the bid. The contract will be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder.

Bids may be held by the City of Alton for a period not to exceed 90 days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the bidder's qualifications prior to the contract award.

All contractors/subcontractors that are debarred, suspended or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation on federal assistance programs may not undertake any activity in part or in full under this project.

Contract is contingent upon release of funds from the USDA.