

**INVITATION FOR BIDS**

Sealed bids for the City of De Soto, (hereinafter "Owner") Amvets Drive Sidewalk Improvements, TAP-2200(610) (hereinafter "Project") will be received by De Soto City Hall, 17 Boyd Street, De Soto Missouri 63020, until 2:00 p.m. local time, on Thursday, October 25, 2018, at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The Scope of Work includes sidewalk improvements to Amvets Drive within the City De Soto, Missouri and provides for sidewalks, concrete driveways, block retaining walls, pavement striping, traffic control and other incidental items and work described in the Project Manual, or reasonably inferable therefrom. The City of De Soto, Missouri anticipates issuing notice to proceed in the spring of 2018.

Bid packages in the form of pdf electronic files on a CD or printed copies are available and may be obtained from the St. Louis office of Cochran located at 737 Rudder Road, Fenton, MO 63026 between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, upon payment of a non-refundable fee of \$30 for the CD format or \$100/set for a printed copy. Cash is acceptable, or make checks payable to Cochran (no credit cards can be accepted). When picking up or receiving a bid package, you will be required to provide: a contact name and phone number, a complete company address and an e-mail address for receiving official bidding communications and addenda. Project and bidding questions shall be conducted exclusively via e-mail. Any questions regarding this project must be submitted to: mspalding@cochraneng.com, by 4:00 pm local time on October 17, 2018. No written questions after this date or any verbal questions will be recognized.

A bid security in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid amount must accompany each bid, in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

For a contractor to be awarded this project the contractor must have a fully responsive contractor questionnaire on file with the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission at least 7 days prior to the bid opening date. No Second Tier Subcontracting will be allowed.

The wage rates applicable to this project have been predetermined as required by law and are set forth in this specification. When Federal wage rates are applicable and included, this contract is subject to the "Work Hours Act of 1962", (P.L. 87-581: 76 Stat. 357) and implementing regulations. When state and federal wage rates are both required the higher of the two for each job classification shall be used.

Effective January 1, 2009 and pursuant to RSMo 285.530 (1), No business entity or employer shall knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ an unauthorized alien to perform work within the state of Missouri. The successful bidder must submit a sworn affidavit and documentation affirming the business entity's enrollment and participation in the federal work authorization program and that all of its employees working for the contracted services are not illegal immigrants.

Upon signing the contract, the successful contractor and any subcontractor performing the work shall provide a ten-hour Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) construction safety program for their on-site employees.

The City of De Soto, Missouri hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, businesses owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, creed, sex, age, ancestry, or national origin in consideration for an award.

The DBE Contract Goal for this project is 16%, and DBE firms must be certified by MoDOT to attain credit towards this contract goal. There is no On the Job Trainee goal.

**THE OWNER INTENDS TO AWARD THE CONTRACT TO THE LOWEST, RESPONSIVE, RESPONSIBLE BIDDER. THE OWNER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS, AND TO WAIVE ANY IRREGULARITIES IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE OWNER WITH MODOT'S CONSENT.**