INVITATION TO BID

Missouri Botanical Garden Is soliciting sealed bids for work described below

An endorsed "bid" for constructing will be received by Missouri Botanical Garden until 3:00 o'clock PM (prevailing local time) on Wednesday November 7, 2012 at the Ridgway Visitor's Center Security desk of the Missouri Botanical Garden, 4344 Shaw Blvd., St. Louis, MO, 63110, and at that time all bids will be publicly opened and read in the Botanical Room at the Ridgway Visitor's Center. The project will be awarded to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder. MoDOT has set the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal of 16% for this project.

The proposed work is generally described as follows:

Streetscape improvements along Shaw Blvd. (between Tower Grove Ave. and Vandeventer Ave.) and Alfred Ave. (between Shaw Ave. and Magnolia Ave.) including walkways, curbs, signage, lighting, landscaping, retaining walls and underground sprinkler systems for the Missouri Botanical Garden at 4344 Shaw Blvd, St. Louis, MO 63110. Porous pavers and porous rubber are an integral part of this project.

Plans and specifications may be inspected in the offices of the Manager, Construction Administration, Missouri Botanical Garden, 4344 Shaw Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63110. Beginning Monday October 15, 2012 complete instructions to bidders and bidding documents (hard copy) or a CD may also be obtained from Cross Rhodes Reprographics (314-678-0087), for a non-refundable fee.

A MANDATORY Pre-Bid meeting will be held on Tuesday October 23, 2012 at 3:00 o'clock PM (prevailing local time) in the Ridgway Center, Botanical Room of the Missouri Botanical Garden, 4344 Shaw Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63110. The bidder, or an authorized officer or agent of the bidder MUST attend this meeting in order to submit bids for this construction project. Any and all bids received by bidders not attending the MANDATORY Pre-Bid meeting will be rejected.

Sealed bids must be on forms provided. Facsimile Bids will not be accepted.

Special Needs: If you have special needs addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act, please notify Charles Zidar, at 314-577-0837, or TDD 1-800-735-2966, at least five (5) working days prior to the prebid and/or bid opening you plan to attend.

The wage rates applicable to this project have been predetermined as required by law and are set forth in the appendices to the bidding documents. When Federal wage rates are applicable and included, the contract is subject to the "Work Hours Act of 1962", (P.L. 87-581: 76 Stat. 357) and implementing regulations. The Missouri Botanical Garden hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises 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.

MoDOT's Standard Specifications – 2011 Edition are being used for this project. The prime contractor must have a fully responsive contractor questionnaire on file with the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission (MHTC) at least 7 days prior to the bid opening date. For more information concerning MoDOT's contractor listing, or for questions regarding qualifications needed to have a fully responsive contractor questionnaire on file with the MHTC, please contact Chrissy at (573) 751–8305 or e-mail her at: contractorsupport@modot.mo.gov. Any and all bids received by bidders without a contractor questionnaire on file with MHTC 7 days prior to the bid opening date will be rejected.

Bidder questions: John Hock, Engineering Design Source, Inc. (EDSI), JH@EngDesignSource.com

By Charles Zidar, Manager, Construction Administration, Missouri Botanical Garden