

**INVITATION FOR BIDS**

Sealed bids for the City of Union, Main Street Improvements and Enhancements Project (hereinafter "Project") will be received by Union City Hall, 500 East Locust Street, Union Missouri, 63084, until 2:00 p.m. local time, on Thursday, December 8, 2011. The bids will be publicly opened and read aloud immediately.

The Scope of Work includes street improvements and enhancements to Main Street within the City of Union and provides for a roundabout with concrete pavement, concrete curb, approaches and sidewalk, asphalt pavement, storm sewer, pavement marking and signage, traffic control, street lighting, landscaping and other incidental items and work described in the Project Manual, or reasonably inferable therefrom. The City of Union anticipates issuing the notice to proceed March 15, 2012.

Bid packages will be available Monday, October 24, 2011 and may be obtained from the Fenton office of Cochran located at 737 Rudder Road, Fenton, MO 63026, upon payment of a non-refundable fee of \$100.00 per set. Make checks payable to Cochran. For directions, please call 314-842-4033.

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.

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 Union, 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 both projects is 15% individually and DBE firms must be certified by MoDOT to attain credit towards this contract goal. The On the Job Trainee goal for the Main Street Improvements project is 1 slot at 1000 hours per slot. The On the Job Trainee goal for the Main Street Enhancements project is 0.

**THE OWNER INTENDS TO AWARD THE CONTRACT TO THE MOST RESPONSIVE, RESPONSIBLE BIDDER SUBMITTING THE LOWEST BID. 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.**