

Form 1: INVITATION TO BID

BID ADVERTISEMENT DATE: **February 5, 2026**

PRE-BID MEETING: **February 19, 2026**

BID DATE: **March 5, 2026**

PROJECT: **Dardenne Greenway: Mexico Road to Dardenne Park – 231(A)**

The Great Rivers Greenway District (District), the Developer, is soliciting sealed bids for Dardenne Greenway 231(A) in St. Peters, Missouri.

The suggested method of submitting bids is electronically. Bids may be submitted electronically **until 2:00 P.M. prevailing Central time, March 5, 2026** via the Bid Express website at bidexpress.com. All electronic bidders must register with Bid Express to obtain a digital ID. Bid Express has indicated it could take up to 5 business days to process the digital ID. GRG will open bids on the date and time indicated above. All documents necessary to submit a bid will be available on the bidexpress.com website including plans, specifications, and bid packages beginning **February 5, 2026** at Bid Express.

Questions should be directed to Tom Schweiss, Senior Project Manager at tschweiss@grgstl.org or Bid Express. All requests for clarification on these bidding documents must be received in writing by **February 26, 2026**. A Pre-Bid Conference will be held on **February 19, 2026 at 2:00 PM** prevailing Central time at Great Rivers Greenway office at 3745 Foundry Way, Suite 253, St. Louis, Missouri 63110. The bid opening will also be held virtually via Zoom. Login information is listed here:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83962006360?pwd=fnIZbGXipgtC48mZn0wwb5pL85J7Os.1&from=add_on

Sealed hard copy bids will also be accepted and may be submitted at the offices of The Great Rivers Greenway District, 3745 Foundry Way, Suite 253, St. Louis, MO 63110 until **2:00 prevailing Central time March 5, 2026**, and will be publicly opened and read aloud in the GRG Conference Room on the date and time indicated above. The bid opening will also be held virtually via Zoom. Login information is listed here:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89710425634?pwd=LOONQqSIpUQbaoHHl5FaAp49QkWlxj.1&from=addon>

A 5% Bid Security in the form specified in the bidding documents is required. The District reserves the right to waive informalities in bids, and to reject any and all bids submitted.

DBE Contract Goal: bidders to certify that the bidder is familiar with the DBE Program Requirements in this contract. The contract DBE goal for the amount of work to be awarded is 0% of the total project price including all alternates with 0 trainees for 0 hours each.

Hard copies of the Bid Documents can be obtained **February 5, 2026** from Cross Rhodes Reprographics, 2731 S Jefferson Ave, St. Louis, MO 63118 (phone: 314-678-0087). The Contractor is responsible for the drawing costs.

Successful Bidder shall be required to comply in all respects with applicable statutory provisions concerning payment of prevailing wages on public works, Sections 290.210 through 290.340 R.S. Mo. 1959, as currently amended, and shall pay to all workmen performing under work contract not less than prevailing hourly rate of wages as determined by the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations of the State of Missouri.

Scope of Work:

Construction of a 12 foot wide trail in the City of St. Peters along the existing Dardenne Trail from Mexico Road to Dardenne Park, adjacent to the St. Peters Golf Course, a distance of approximately 2,800 linear feet. Improvements include a concrete trail, precast boardwalk system, a prefabricated bike-pedestrian bridge, lighting, wayfinding, grading and drainage, sewers, retaining walls, and landscaping.

Additional Instructions to Bidders:

1. BIDDER QUALIFICATIONS

- 1.1. Award of Contract shall be made to the lowest, responsive, responsible Bidder capable of performing class of work covered by Bid.
- 1.2. Bidder must submit a complete Equipment Hourly Rates Schedule with his/her bid.
- 1.3. District specifically reserves the right to reject any bid if evidence submitted by, or investigations of, such Bidder fails to satisfy District that such Bidder is responsible and qualified to carry out obligations of Contract and to complete class of Work contemplated therein.
- 1.4. Bidder is specifically advised that all Contractors, including any person, firm, or other party to whom it is proposed to award a Sub-contract under this Contract, must comply with Nondiscrimination in Employment requirements set forth in the General Conditions of Contract for Construction (GRG Form 5).

2. BID SECURITY

- 2.1. Each Bid must be accompanied by a bond duly executed by Bidder as principal and having as surety thereon a surety company approved by District, in the amount of 5% of total Base Bid, or by a cashier's check payable to THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT, in like amount.
- 2.2. Bid security shall be forfeited to District, if successful Bidder fails or refuses to execute and deliver Contract, and bonds required, within ten (10) days after he has received notice of acceptance of his/her Bid.
- 2.3. Any surety company which proposes to execute a bond as required by Contract shall furnish, at its own cost, a certified copy of its Certificate of Authority to transact business in the State of Missouri, such Certificate to remain on file with District. No surety bond will be approved by District until such Certificate is furnished. However, if there be already on file with District such Certificate of the surety company, then an additional Certificate will not be required during the period of time for which Certificate is issued.

3. CONDITIONS OF WORK

- 3.1. Before submitting a proposal, it is important that each Bidder visit the site of work, carefully examine drawings and specifications, and fully inform himself/herself as to all existing conditions and limitations affecting his/her proposal.
- 3.2. Bidder must inform himself/herself of conditions relating to construction of project and employment of labor thereon. Failure to do so will not relieve a successful Bidder of his/her obligation to furnish all labor and materials necessary to carry out provisions of Contract. Insofar as possible, Contractor, in carrying out his/her Work, must employ such methods or means as will not cause any interruption of, or interference with, work of any other Contractor.

3.3. Bidder shall accept site as it exists at time of invitation to bid and will provide and maintain, during work required for this project, adequate protection of public and private property adjacent to site.

4. ADDENDA AND INTERPRETATION

4.1. Necessary changes or corrections in plans or specifications during time of bidding will be issued in writing or as drawings in form of Addenda to all Bidders. Receipt of all such Addenda shall be acknowledged in Bid Express. Failure of any Bidder to receive any Addendum or interpretation shall not relieve Bidder from any obligation under his/her Bid as submitted. All Addenda issued will become part of Contract Documents.

4.2. Should a Bidder find discrepancies in, or omission from, drawings or other documents, or should he/she be in doubt as to their meaning, he/she shall immediately post a question or clarification in Bid Express or email tschweiss@grgstl.org. The District's Representative will post a response on Bid Express or notify all Bidders. During the bid period it is requested that all questions be directed to the District's Representative identified above or Bid Express, with no direct phone calls to the Landscape Architect/Engineer. All requests must be received by the date and time noted above. District will not be responsible for any oral instructions or any other explanation or interpretation of Documents.

5. PERFORMANCE AND PAYMENT BOND

5.1. Simultaneously with delivery of executed Contract, Contractor shall furnish Performance and Payment Bonds in amount of 100% of total Contract sum, as security for both faithful performance of Contract and for payment of all persons performing or furnishing labor, materials or supplies on the project under this Contract as specified in Contract Documents. Surety on the bond shall be a duly authorized surety company approved by District.

5.2. Cost of Performance and Payment Bonds shall be paid for by the successful Bidder.

6. METHOD OF AWARD

6.1. District will enter into a Contract for the entire project with the successful Bidder for general construction, which shall include all subcontract work.

6.2. Subject to provisions of the Invitation to Bid (GRG Form 1), Contract shall be awarded by District to the lowest, responsive, responsible Bidder within ninety (90) consecutive calendar days after date and time of opening of bids as provided for in Invitation to Bid. The bid will be determined by the amount of combined Total Base Bid, as adjusted by accepted alternates, if any.

6.3. The successful Bidder shall be required to execute a Contract with District, using Contract form provided herein in such number of counterparts as District may request, within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of Notice of Award by District.

6.4. The Contract shall not be considered binding upon District until an award by District has been entered on record, and until successful Bidder has executed it and filed a satisfactory Performance and Payment bond, and until Contract has been signed by the Contractor, and District.

6.5. All Subcontractors shall be subject to terms and conditions of General Contract.

7. TIME OF COMPLETION

- 7.1. Bidder agrees to commence and complete the work of this contract in accordance with the Time requirements identified in Section 3 of the Contract (GRG Form 4).
- 7.2. It is hereby understood and mutually agreed, by and between the Contractor and the DISTRICT, that the date of beginning and the time for completion as specified in the Contract for the work to be done hereunder are Essential Conditions of this Contract; and it is further mutually understood and agreed that the work embraced in this Contract shall be commenced on a date to be specified in the written "Notice to Proceed."

8. SPECIAL NOTICE TO BIDDERS

- 8.1. No claim for additional compensation will be entertained on behalf of or paid to a Contractor on account of his/her failure to be fully informed of all requirements of Contract Documents.
- 8.2. The following rights are reserved by District:
 - 8.2.1. To reject any or all bids without compensation to Bidders, and to waive any or all informalities or defects in any bids.
 - 8.2.2. To hold all bids valid for ninety (90) consecutive calendar days from time and date of receipt and opening of bids.
 - 8.2.3. Bidder's attention is directed to the fact that all applicable state laws, municipal ordinances, and rules and regulations of all authorities apply to Contract throughout, and will be deemed to be included in Contract the same as though herein written out in full.
 - 8.2.4. At time of opening of bids, each Bidder will be presumed to have inspected Site and to have read and be thoroughly familiar with Contract Documents (including all Addenda). Failure or omission of any Bidder to examine any form, instrument, or document, shall in no way relieve any Bidder from any obligation in respect to his/her Bid.
- 8.3. Any contract awarded for this bid will require the consultant to execute and deliver to GRG an affidavit confirming the consultant's enrollment in the e-verify federal work authorization program with respect to its employees, in compliance with Section 285.530 R.S.Mo. as well as a copy of the consultant's e-verify MOU. Consultants shall not be required to execute the affidavit and supply an e-verify MOU copy if either (i) the compensation to be paid is \$5,000 or less, or (ii) the consultant does not have any employees (though an affidavit attesting that the Consultant has no employees will still be required).
- 8.4. Any contract awarded for this bid will also require the consultant to meet GRG's insurance requirements, identified in Section 9 of the General Conditions of Contract for Construction (GRG Form 5).
- 8.5. Any contract awarded for this bid will require the consultant to execute and deliver to the District an affidavit confirming the consultant's compliance with Anti-discrimination Against Israel Act (Section 34.600 R.S.Mo), when requested by District. Consultants shall not be required to execute such affidavit if the compensation to be paid under the contract is less than \$100,000 or if the consultant has less than ten employees, (however, the Consultant must sign an affidavit attesting that it has fewer than ten employees in such event).

9. BIDS OF INDIVIDUALS

- 9.1. A Bid of an individual, including those doing business under a fictitious name, must be signed by the individual, and his/her address shown.

10. BIDS OF PARTNERSHIPS OR JOINT VENTURES

10.1. A Bid by a partnership or joint venture, including individuals doing business under fictitious names or corporations, must be executed by at least one of the partners, followed by title "Partner," or one of the joint ventures, followed by title "Joint Venture" and business address of partnership or joint venture shown. True legal name and address of each partner and joint venture must also be shown.

11. BIDS BY CORPORATION

11.1. A Bid by a corporation, whether acting alone or as a joint venturer, must show address and name of corporation and be signed by person authorized by its Board of Directors to bind the corporation, with his/her title shown.

12. FICTITIOUS NAMES

12.1. A Bidder doing business under a fictitious name shall have on file with County Clerk, before Award, a certified copy of his/her Registration of Fictitious Names issued by Secretary of State, State of Missouri.

13. FOREIGN CORPORATIONS

13.1. Each Bidder which is a corporation organized in a state other than Missouri shall attach to its Bid a certified copy of a valid certificate of authority and license to do business in Missouri issued by Secretary of State, State of Missouri.

14. IRREGULAR BIDS

14.1. Bids that show any omissions, alterations of form, additions not called for, conditional or alternate bids unless called for, irregularities of any kind, or which are not responsive to requirements of Contract Documents may be rejected. Any comment in a Bid limiting or qualifying the reserved right of District to make awards that will be to the best interest of District shall constitute an irregular Bid which may be rejected.

15. RIGHT TO REJECT BIDS

15.1. District reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to advertise for new bids, or to proceed to do the work otherwise if in the judgment of District and best interests of District will be thereby promoted.

16. SUBSTITUTIONS

16.1. Changes In products, materials, equipment and methods of construction required by Contract Documents proposed by the Contractor are considered to be requests for substitutions.

16.2. Requests for Substitutions will be considered only If received with Bid and with complete documentation described below and approved by District prior to Bidding.

16.3. Provide complete documentation of substitution showing compliance with the following Information:

- Product Data, Including drawings and description.
- Samples, where applicable or requested.
- Indicate effect of proposed substitution on overall Contract Time.

- Cost Information and proposal, If any, In Contract Sum.
- Certification that proposed substitution conforms to requirements
In the Contract Documents.

17. ANTIDISCRIMINATION

The Contracting Authority hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure 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.

18. OSHA TEN HOUR TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

Missouri Law, 292.675 RSMO, requires any awarded contractor and its subcontractor(s) to provide a ten-hour Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Construction Safety Program (or a similar program approved by the Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations as a qualified substitute) for their on-site employees (laborers, workmen, drivers, equipment operators, and craftsmen) who have not previously completed such a program and are directly engaged in actual construction of the improvement (or working at a nearby or adjacent facility used for construction of the improvement). The awarded contractor and its subcontractor(s) shall require all such employees to complete this ten-hour program, pursuant to 292.675 RSMO, unless they hold documentation on their prior completion of said program. Penalties, for Non-Compliance include contractor forfeiture to the Contracting Authority in the amount of \$2,500, plus \$100 per contractor and subcontractor employee for each calendar day such employee is employed beyond the elapsed time period for required program completion under 292.675 RSMO.