

## INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Borough of Somerset will receive bids for 2024 Street Restoration ("Project") under the following: **Contract Nos. 2024-G-01 and 2024-G-02**. Bids will be received until **10:00 A.M.**, prevailing time, on **Wednesday, July 31, 2024**, at Borough of Somerset Municipal Building, 347 West Union Street, Somerset, Pennsylvania 15501 at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

### **Description of Work**

The project is comprised of 3 separate contracts that will be awarded to a single bidder. Work under each contract includes:

**Contract 2024-G-01 Center Avenue Paving:** Compliance with federal CDBG funding and all labor, equipment, and material to perform asphalt milling and placement of wearing course on Center Avenue and portions of Main Street and Union Street. The approximate square yardage of asphalt milling and placement is 3,760 SY on State Highways and 170 SY on Municipal streets. Contractor shall be responsible for disposal of millings and traffic control. Line painting is considered as an additive alternate.

**Contract 2024-G-02 Municipal Street Paving:** base bid for all labor, equipment, and material to perform asphalt milling and placement of wearing course on Columbia Avenue. The approximate square yardage of asphalt milling and placement is 4,444 SY. Contractor shall be responsible for disposal of millings and traffic control.

Additive Alternates shall be considered for all labor, equipment, and material to perform asphalt milling and placement of wearing course on Race Street, Union Street, and Church Street. The approximate square yardage of asphalt milling and placement is 10,125 SY. Contractor shall be responsible for disposal of millings and traffic control.

A non-mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at **10:00 A.M.** prevailing time on **Wednesday, July 24, 2024**, at the Borough of Somerset, 347 West Union Street, Somerset, PA 15501.

Contract documents are on file for review at the office of Somerset Borough, 347 West Union Street, Somerset, PA 15501 for viewing by interested bidders. Contract Documents may be purchased from The EADS Group, Inc. for the nonrefundable fee of **\$30.00** for the electronic format set of contract documents and plans, which includes 6% Pennsylvania sales tax. Plans will only be made available electronically. To access the electronic format the bidder must have a valid email address and will require an internet connection. All checks shall be made payable to The EADS Group, Inc. Bidders must purchase the Contract Documents and Plans from The EADS Group, Inc. to be eligible to bid this project.

**Bid Security:** All bids shall be accompanied by a Bid Bond in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the bid amount. All bonds shall be in a form acceptable to the Owner.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the minimum salaries and wages as set forth in the Contract Documents must be paid on this project; that the Contractor must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, age, color, religion, sex, national origin or handicap; that a mandatory ratio of apprentices and trainees to journeymen is required in each craft and the Contractor (and any subcontractors) is obliged to make a "diligent effort" to achieve these ratios; and that to the greatest extent feasible, opportunities for training and employment be given lower income of the project area and must to the greatest extent feasible utilize project area businesses located in or owned in substantial part by project area residents.

In addition to the Equal Employment requirements of Executive Order 11246, the Contractor must also establish a 5% goal for minority participation and a 3% goal for female participation and in his aggregate on-site construction workforce for contracts more than \$25,000 whether part of the workforce is performing work on a Federal or Federally assisted construction contract or subcontract.

The Contractor, in accordance with Executive Orders 11625 and 12138, must utilize to the greatest extent feasible minority and/or women-owned business concerns which are located within the municipality, county or the general trade.

The Borough of Somerset is utilizing federal funds for **Contract 2024-G-01**, and the County of Somerset has adopted a Minority and Women Business Enterprise (MBE/WBE) in accordance with Executive Orders 11625, 12138, and 12432 and a Section 3 Action Plan in accordance with Title 24 Part 75 Code of Federal Regulations. As such, the bidders/offerors must submit documentary evidence of minority and women business enterprises and Section 3 business concerns who have been contacted and to whom commitments have been made. Documentation of such solicitations and commitments shall be submitted with the bid.

Moreover, the CONTRACTOR shall strive to meet the MBE goal of 5% and the WBE goal of 3% for contracts of \$25,000 or more. The Section 3 Action Plan applies to contracts of \$200,000 or greater and requires the CONTRACTOR to strive to meet the minimum participation level of 10% of the contract amount to be awarded to Section 3 business concerns, and Twenty-five percent (25%) or more of the total number of labor hours worked by all workers on a Section 3 project are Section 3 or Five percent (5%) or more of the total number of labor hours worked on projects funded by Section 3 are Targeted Section 3 workers, as defined at §75.21 The County of Somerset, in accordance with its Section 3 Action Plan, may provide a bid preference to a bidder who is a Section 3 business concern. MBE/WBE and Section 3 business concerns shall be afforded full opportunity to bid without discrimination. Davis-Bacon and Related Acts apply to this Project.

This project is being funded in part by local funds and local funds will be used for **Contracts 2024-G-02** only. The project was developed in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) and PennDOT has issued a permit for a portion of the work. PennDOT bidding and contractual documents shall govern all contracts. Additional requirements to meet federal regulations for **Contract 2024-G-01** must be followed as well. All requirements of the permitting and funding agencies shall be adhered to by prospective bidders and contractors.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informality in the bidding review process. Bids may be held by the Owner for a period not to exceed 60 days from the date of opening of bids for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of bidders, prior to awarding the contract.

By: Borough of Somerset  
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