

INVITATION TO BID

PART 1. GENERAL

1.1 COMPETITIVE COST SEALED BIDS

Sealed bids for construction of the **FY 2021 CDBG Water System Improvements** will be received until **February 3, 2023 at 2:00 P.M.** at the **Flovilla City Hall, 308 Heard Street, Flovilla, GA 30216**, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read aloud. **Any bid received after said time and date will not be considered by the Owner.** No bid may be withdrawn after the closing time for the receipt of bids for a period of sixty (60) days except as specifically may be provided in the Instructions to Bidders and/or by State law.

1.2 SCOPE OF WORK

This project shall include furnishing all products and equipment and performing all labor necessary to construct the following: installation of approximately 6,100 L.F. of 6" PVC Water Main, approximately 150 L.F. of Jack & Bore Steel casing to be bored under Norfolk Southern Right-Of-Way, installation of new fire hydrants, water service transfers, abandonment of existing water mains and all other appurtenances necessary to complete the project in accordance with the specifications and construction drawings. This project will be awarded in one (1) contract.

Time allotted for completion of work is **180 consecutive calendar days**. All Work shall be completed in accordance with the plans and specifications. The Work will be awarded in **one (1) Contract**.

1.3 PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND CONTRACT DOCUMENTS

Plans, Specifications and Contract Documents are on file at CARTER & SLOOPE, INC. Copies may be obtained from CARTER & SLOOPE, INC., 6310 Peake Rd., Macon, Ga, 31210, Phone: (478) 477-3923, Fax: , upon payment of **\$300 for each physical set or \$250 for a PDF set (non-refundable)**. A copy of your check is needed in order to ship the documents. You can fax it to the fax number above or email a scanned copy to macon_admin@cartersloope.com. All plans and documents will be shipped via UPS Ground. If you choose to have them shipped overnight or via another carrier, please submit your Fed Ex Overnight or UPS Express account number.

1.4 CONTRACTOR LICENSE

The Scope of Work as described herein is defined as “utility contracting” in accordance with O.C.G.A 43-14-2(17) so the Contractor performing the work must provide proof of a valid license by the State of Georgia as a “Utility Contractor” and must also employ a “Utility Manager” certification holder who will have oversight of all the utility work. **Therefore, the Contractor submitting a bid must list the license number of the Contractor**

performing the utility contracting on the face of the bid envelope and on the bid form and provide proof of a valid license with the bid. No bid will be opened unless it contains the Contractor's Utility License Number on the envelope. See Instruction to Bidders for additional bidding requirements.

1.5 BONDS

Bids shall be accompanied by a bid bond or certified cashier's check in an amount not less than 10% of the base bid. All bonds shall be by a surety company licensed in Georgia with an "A" minimum rating of performance and a financial strength of at least five (5) times the contract price as listed in the most current publication of "Best's Key Rating Guide Property Liability". Performance and Payment Bonds, each in an amount equal to 100% of the contract price shall be required of the successful bidder if contract is awarded. Each Bond shall be accompanied by a "Power of Attorney" authorizing the attorney-in-fact to bind the surety and certified to include the date of the bond.

1.6 PERMITS

The status of Federal, State, and/or Local permits for this project are as follows:

	<u>PERMITS/AGENCIES</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
A.	Land Disturbance Permit	Not Required
B.	NPDES GAR 100002 (Stormwater)	Not Required
C.	GA Environmental Protection Division	Submitted
D.	Georgia Department of Transportation	Not Required
E.	Norfolk Southern	Not Yet Submitted

1.7 EASEMENTS & RIGHTS-OF-WAY

All easements and rights-of-way for permanent installations have been obtained or will be obtained by the Owner prior to issuing the Notice to Proceed.

1.8 GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE ACT AFFIDAVIT

All qualifying Contractors and Subcontractors performing work with the **City of Flovilla** must register and participate in the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, to verify the work eligibility information of new employees. In order for a Bid to be considered, it is mandatory that the Bidder's Affidavit of Compliance with O.C.G.A. §13-10-91 be completed and submitted with the Bid.

1.9 FUNDING SOURCES

Section 3 Covered Contract: This project is covered under the requirements of the Section 3 of the HUD Act of 1968. This contract opportunity is a Section 3 Covered Contract. Section 3 Business Concerns are encouraged to apply. If a bidder wishes to claim Section 3 preference, properly signed Section 3 documents **MUST** be submitted with the bid.

All Bidders must comply with 41 CFR 60-4, in regard to affirmative action, to ensure equal opportunity to females and minorities and will apply the timetables and goals set forth in 41 CFR 60-4, as applicable to the area of the project. Bidders must also comply with OCGA-13-10-91 and utilize the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify.

Wage Rates: Attention of BIDDERS is particularly called to the requirements regarding as to conditions of employment to be observed and wage rates to be paid under the contract documents on this project must be paid as per the WAGE RATES in the CDBG Contract Clauses indicated in the Contract Documents on this project, and that the contractor, subcontractor, must also comply with all Federal, State, and local requirements. Minority and female owned firms are encouraged to participate in the Federally funded project. Procurement will be in compliance with the Common Rule, 24 CFR 84.36. Potential respondents are particularly called to the requirements of Title VI; of Civil Rights Act of 1964 and CFR 570.602; and Executive Order 11246 – Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action. The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, 12 U.S.C. 1701 u (Section 3). The purpose of Section 3 is to ensure that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD assistance or HUD-assisted projects covered by Section 3, shall to greatest extent feasible, be directed to Section 3 residents and businesses in the area especially low- and very low income persons, particularly persons who are recipients of HUD assistance for housing. Neither the United States nor any of the departments, agencies, or employees is or will be a party of any contract awarded to this Invitation to Bid.

1.10 RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, including without limitation, the rights to reject any or all nonconforming, nonresponsive, unbalanced or conditional Bids and to reject the Bid of any Bidder if Owner believes that it would not be in the best interest of the Project to make an award to that Bidder, whether because the Bid is not responsive or the Bidder is unqualified or of doubtful financial ability or fails to meet any other pertinent standard or criteria established by the Owner.

CITY OF FLOVILLA
OWNER

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