

# ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

*1<sup>st</sup> Advertisement – Friday, July 30, 2021*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Advertisement – Friday, August 6, 2021*

*Project No.:* TWDB C.W.S.R.F. NO. 73749

*Owner:* City of River Oaks, Texas

Separate sealed bids for *Sanitary Sewer Collection System Improvements Phase 3*, will be received by the *City of River Oaks, Texas at the City Hall, 4900 River Oaks Blvd., River Oaks, Texas 76114*, until 11:00 o'clock A.M. Local Time, **Wednesday, August 18, 2021**, and then publicly opened and read aloud at 1:00 P.M.

Bids received after stated date and closing time of 11:00 o'clock A.M. will be returned unopened

A Pre-Bid meeting will be conducted on *Friday, August 13, 2021* beginning at 10:30 A.M. at the City of River Oaks City Hall, 4900 River Oaks Blvd., River Oaks, Texas 76114. Said meeting will be held in the office of the Director of Public Works.

This contract is subject to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) "fair share policy", which includes EPA-approved "fair share goals" for Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) and Women Business Enterprise (WBE) firms in the Construction, Supplies, Equipment and Services procurement categories. EPA's policy requires that applicants and prime contractors make a good faith effort to award a fair share of contracts, subcontracts, and procurements to Small Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises. Although EPA's policy does not mandate that the fair share goals be achieved, it does require applicants and prime contractors to demonstrate use of the six affirmative steps. The current fair share goals for the State of Texas are as follows:

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>MBE</u>	<u>WBE</u>
EQUIPMENT	16.28%	11.45%
SERVICES	20.41%	13.66%
SUPPLIES	25.34%	8.82%
CONSTRUCTION	19.44%	9.71%

Prime contractors are required to comply with EPA's good faith effort policy when awarding sub-agreements for construction, supplies, equipment and services. A complete version of Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Disadvantage Business Enterprise Program is available at:

<http://www.twdb.texas.gov/financial/programs/DBE/>

## TWDB REQUIREMENTS:

This contract is to be funded through a loan obtained from the TWDB as part of the Clear Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF). There are a number of special provisions for this funding that bidders, by submitting a bid, acknowledge understanding of the following:

A contract is contingent upon release of funds from the TWDB,

Any contract or contracts awarded under this Notice to Bidders are expected to be funded in part by financial assistance from the TWDB. Neither the State of Texas nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees are or will be a party to this Invitation for Bids or any resulting contract.

Equal Opportunity Employment – All qualified Applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or handicap. The contractor shall carry out applicable requirements of 40 CFR Part 33 in the award and administration of contracts awarded under TWDB financial assistance agreements. Failure by the contractor to carry out these requirements is a material breach, which may result in the termination of the awarded financial assistance.

American Iron and Steel (AIS) – This project is subject to the American Iron and Steel (AIS) requirements of 33 U.S.C.; 1388 for Clean Water State Revolving Fund projects or Public Law 114-113, Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016, or subsequent appropriations acts, for Drinking Water State Revolving Fund projects. Any contract(s) awarded under this Invitation for Bids is/are subject to the American Iron and Steel (AIS) requirements of these laws.

The project will consist of the following:

The City of River Oaks, Texas (herein called the "Owner") intends to replace and install approximately 39,555 linear feet of new sanitary sewer lines varying in size from 8" through 12" in diameter by utilizing pipe bursting construction technology and open cut. This project will also include replacing and reconstructing approximately 126 new manholes to replace old manholes. The contractor shall excavate and connect existing sanitary sewer services to said new sewer lines and excavate and connect new sewer lines to new manholes. The contractor shall include all excavation, pipe bursting, manholes, pipe materials, equipment, labor and incidentals to construct the project in accordance with the plans, specifications and contract documents.

The Information for Bidders, Form of Bid, Form of Contract, Plans, Specifications and Form of Bid Bond, Performance and Payment Bonds and other contract documents may be examined at the following:

E.S. & C.M., Inc.  
8241 Mid-Cities Blvd., Ste. 100  
North Richland Hills, Texas 76182  
Office Telephone (817) 268-0408

Please direct any questions to Trevor Truss, P.E. or to Bill Lohrke, Senior Project Manager.

Hard copies may be obtained at the office of E.S. & C.M., Inc., 8241 Mid-Cities Blvd., Suite 100, North Richland Hills, Texas 76182 upon payment of \$100.00 for each set. This payment is non-refundable. Please make checks payable to E.S. & C.M., Inc.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informality or to reject any or all bids.

Each bidder must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders. A Certified Check or Bank Draft, payable to the City of River Oaks or a negotiable U.S. Government Bond (at par value) or a satisfactory Bid Bond, executed by the Bidder of an acceptable Surety in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total bid shall be submitted with the bid.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within 60 (*sixty*) days after the actual date of opening thereof.

Small and minority firms are encouraged to submit bids on this project.