

## INVITATION FOR BIDS

The Borough of Clarion (OWNER) will receive sealed bids for THE CLARION BOROUGH 2022-5 MAIN STREET PLANTERS PROJECT, at the Clarion Borough Administrative Office, 1400 East Main Street, Clarion, PA 16214 until 2:00 pm prevailing time on August 22, 2022. All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at 2:05 pm prevailing time on August 22, 2022 at the Clarion Borough Administrative Office. This project is being funded with Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds as administered by Clarion County, Clarion Borough and the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development.

### **Brief description of work:**

Bidders may bid on the installation of up to eight raised and four flat planter structures on Main Street between Fifth and Seventh Avenues. All planter structures will be located within existing empty tree wells between the Main Street curb line and the sidewalk. Additional work items include site preparation / excavation of the tree wells, concrete stamping and tinting, replacement of stamped and dyed sidewalk between the planters and curb, the repair or replacement of existing electrical services, the installation of topsoil in the planter structures and site restoration. Bidders are reminded that they may offer specified branded products or approved equivalent products in their bids. OWNER reserves the right to increase or decrease the actual amount of work awarded using the submitted bid unit prices, depending upon final bid price and available funding.

Copies of the Contract/Bid/Plan documents may be obtained at the Clarion Borough office, 1400 East Main Street, Clarion, PA 16214, (814) 226-7707, extension 109, by depositing \$40.00, nonrefundable, for each set. Bidders may also receive copies of the Contract/Bid/Plan documents by mail by sending a check or money order for \$50.00, nonrefundable, for each set, to the above address, payable to the Borough of Clarion.

A satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and an acceptable surety in an amount equal to five percent (5.0%) of the total bid price shall be submitted with each bid. The Bidder shall include the fully completed signature documents, including the Non-Collusion Affidavit, with the bid. Bids may be withdrawn at any time prior to the 2:00 pm, August 22, 2022 deadline set for receiving bids by contacting Clarion Borough at (814) 226-7707, Extension 109. The successful Bidder will be required to obtain performance and payment bonds prior to the start of work on this contract. A one year maintenance bond will be required of the contractor prior to final payment.

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the Clarion Borough Administrative Office on Monday, August 15, 2022 beginning at 2:00 pm.

In addition to the Equal Employment requirements of Executive Order 11246 regarding discrimination, the CONTRACTOR must establish, from the dollar amount of his/her bid, a 5.0% goal for minority business enterprises (MBE) participation and a 3.0% goal for women's business enterprise (WBE) participation in the project. The bidders/offerors must submit documentary evidence of minority and women business enterprises who have been contacted and to whom commitments have been made. Documentation of such solicitations and commitments shall be submitted concurrently with the bid.

In accordance with Executive Orders 11625, 12138, and the Borough of Clarion's MBE/WBE plan, the CONTRACTOR must utilize, to the greatest extent feasible, minority and/or women owned business concerns. Bidders are hereby notified that MBE/WBE firms will be afforded full opportunity to bid without discrimination. Federal Davis-Bacon Prevailing Wage and Related Acts apply to this project.

Bidders must also submit documentary evidence of Section 3 business concerns who have been contacted and to whom commitments have been made. Documentation of such solicitations and commitments shall be submitted concurrently with the bid.

Bidder acknowledges that this bid is for a public works contract and bidder is therefore subject to the provisions, duties, obligations and penalties of the Public Works Employment Verification Act, 43 P.S. 167.1-167.11, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Bids may be held by the Borough of Clarion for up to 60 days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the qualifications of bidders prior to awarding the contract. The Borough

of Clarion reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any irregularities or defects, or to negotiate contract amounts.



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