NOTICE TO BIDDERS ON CONSTRUCTION OF PRECAST CULVERT REPLACEMENTS OF KENSETT 26 ON 415TH ST. AND LINCOLN 42 ON MALLARD AVE., IN AND FOR WORTH COUNTY, IOWA, AND THE TAKING OF BIDS FOR SAID IMPROVEMENTS

Sealed proposals, subject to the conditions contained herein, will be received by the County Auditor of Worth County, Iowa, at their office in Northwood, Iowa, until 3:00 p.m. on the 5^{th} day of July, 2023 for:

Construction of "Structure Replacements of Kensett 26 (FHWA #356115) on 415th St. and Lincoln 42 (FHWA #355600) on Mallard Ave.", as hereinafter described in general and as described in detail in the plans and specifications now on file in the office of the Worth County Engineer, Northwood, Iowa.

Proposals received will be opened, read aloud, tabulated, and referred to the Board of Supervisors for consideration following the public hearing that begins at 8:45 a.m. on the 10^{th} day of July, 2023, in the Board Room of the Worth County Courthouse in, Northwood, Iowa. Bids will be acted upon at such time or at such later time as may then be fixed.

The extent of the work involved is the replacement of the existing culverts at each location, approximately including, but not limited to the following:

Removal of the existing reinforced concrete box culverts and installing twin precast concrete culverts.

The Proposal shall be made out on the form furnished by Worth County and obtained from WHKS & Co., Engineers, Planners, and Surveyors, and must be accompanied in a sealed envelope by either: (1) a certified check, or a cashier's check drawn on an Iowa bank, or a bank chartered under the laws of the United States, in an amount of 5% of bid amount; or (2) a certified share draft drawn on a credit union in Iowa or chartered under the laws of the United States, in an amount of 5% of bid amount; or (3) a bid bond executed by a corporation authorized to contract as a surety in the State of Iowa, in the penal sum of 5% of bid amount.

The bid security shall be made payable to the Engineer of Worth County, Iowa.

The bid security must not contain any conditions either in body or as an endorsement thereon. The bid security shall be forfeited to the County as liquidated damages in the event the successful bidder fails or refuses to enter into contract within ten (10) days after the award of contract and post bond satisfactory to the County insuring the faithful fulfillment of the contract and the maintenance of said work, if required, pursuant to the provisions of this notice and the other contract documents. The County will accept bid bond forms that meet the Requirements of Iowa Code, Section 26.8.

<u>Sales Tax Exemption</u>. Contractors and subcontractors shall not include sales tax for material purchases. At the time of the contract acceptance by the Board of Supervisors, the prime contractor and all subcontractors will be issued a certificate of exemption.

Bidders shall not be permitted to withdraw their bids for a period of thirty (30) days after the same are opened.

By virtue of statutory authority, a preference will be given to products and provisions grown and produced within the State of Iowa and to Iowa domestic labor.

In accordance with lowa statutes, a resident bidder shall be allowed a preference as against a nonresident bidder from a state or foreign country if that state or foreign country gives or requires any preference to bidders from that state or foreign country, including but not limited to any preference to bidders, the imposition of any type of labor force preference, or any other form of preferential treatment to bidders or laborers from that state or foreign country. The preference shall be equal to the preference given or required by the state or foreign country in which the nonresident bidder is a resident. In the instance of a resident labor force preference, a nonresident bidder shall apply the same resident labor force preference to a public improvement in this state as would be required in the construction of a public improvement by the state or foreign country in which the nonresident bidder is a resident.

Bidders will be required to complete a Bidder Status Form from the Iowa Department of Labor regarding the Contractor's resident status within the State of Iowa. Failure to submit a fully completed Bidder Status Form with the bid may result in the bid being deemed nonresponsive and rejected.

The Contractor shall commence work after the Notice to Proceed is issued and shall be completed on or before <u>November 30th, 2023.</u>

Payment to the Contractor for said Project will be made in cash derived from the proceeds of the issuance of bonds as may be legally used for such purposes, governmental grants and/or from cash on hand. Any combination of the above methods of payment may be used at the discretion of the Owner.

The Contractor will be paid each month ninety-five (95) percent of the Engineer's estimate of the value of acceptable work completed at the end of the preceding month. Final payment will be made in accordance with Iowa Code chapters 26 and 573, as amended. No partial or final payment will be due until the Contractor has certified to the County that the materials, labor and services involved in each estimate have been paid for in accordance with the requirements stated in the specifications.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a bond in an amount equal to one hundred (100) percent of the contract price, said bond to be issued by a responsible surety approved by the Owner and which shall guarantee a faithful performance of the Contract and the terms and conditions therein contained and shall guarantee the prompt payment of all materials and labor and protect and save harmless the Owner from claims and damages of any kind caused by the operations of the Contractor and shall also guarantee the maintenance of the improvements constructed for a period of two (2) year(s) after completion and acceptance by the Owner. Plans and specifications governing the construction of the proposed improvements have been prepared by WHKS & Co., Engineers, Planners, and Surveyors, which plans and specifications and the proceedings of the Owner referring to and defining said proposed improvements are hereby made a part of the Notice by reference, and the proposed contract shall be executed in compliance therewith. Copies of said plans and specifications are now on file with the Engineers Office and at the offices of WHKS & Co., and may be examined by the bidders.

Plans and specifications are available to download free of charge at www.questcdn.com. Plans and specifications for private use may also be obtained from WHKS & Co., Engineers, Planners, and Surveyors, 1412 6th Street SW, Mason City, IA 50402-1467, for a refundable deposit of \$50. If the plans and specifications are not returned to WHKS & Co. within fourteen (14) days after the award of the project and in reusable condition, the deposit shall be forfeited.

Published upon order of the Board of Supervisors of Worth County, Iowa.

Worth County, IOWA

Attest:_____

/s/ Jacki Backhaus County Auditor

NOTICE OF HEARING

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS, PROPOSED FORM OF CONTRACT AND ESTIMATE OF COST FOR THE OF KENSETT 26 ON 415TH ST. AND LINCOLN 42 ON MALLARD AVE., IN AND FOR WORTH COUNTY, IOWA.

On Monday at 8:45 AM, local time, at the Worth County Courthouse, in the Board Room, July 10, 2023, the Worth County Board of Supervisors shall hold a public hearing and said Board proposes to adopt plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost.

At said hearing, the Board of Supervisors will consider the proposed plans, specifications, form of contract and estimate of cost for the project, the same now being on file in the office of the County Auditor, reference to which is made for a more detailed and complete description of the proposed improvements, and at said time and place the said Board will also receive and consider any objections to said plans, specifications and form of contract or to the estimated cost of said improvements made by any interested party.

The location and description of the work to be done and the kinds and sizes of materials proposed to be used are as follows:

Precast Culvert Replacements

The project is composed of two replacements located on <u>415th St. over a drainage ditch 0.2</u> miles east of Quail Ave. (Design 1) and Mallard Ave. over a drainage ditch 0.25 miles north of 380th St. (Design 2), in Worth County, IA.

The extent of the work involved is the Construction of a twin 12' x 6' x 44' precast concrete box culvert (Design 1) and a twin 10'- x 4' x 62' precast concrete box culvert (Design 2), but not limited to the following:

Temporary stream diversion, excavation, and miscellaneous associated work.

The method of construction of all improvements shall be by contract in accordance with the plans and specifications and general stipulations for said improvements approved by the Board of Supervisors.

Plans and specifications governing the construction of the proposed improvements have been prepared by WHKS & Co., Engineers, Planners, and Surveyors, which plans and specifications and the proceedings of the Owner referring to and defining said proposed improvements are hereby made a part of the Notice by reference, and the proposed contract shall be executed in compliance therewith. Copies of said plans and specifications are now on file with the County Auditor and at the offices of WHKS & Co., and may be examined by the bidders.

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