

CALL FOR BIDS
CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS
M I N N E S O T A

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PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
330 Second Avenue South - Suite 552
Minneapolis, MN 55401

Public Works – Surface Waters & Sewers

AN AFFIRMATIVE ACTION EMPLOYER

For information call
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"BIDS FOR TWO (2) CSO 056 GRIT CHAMBERS"

To furnish and deliver two CSO 056 Grit Chambers as directed by the Public Works – Surface Waters & Sewers, all in accordance with the provided specifications and bid form.

Complete project documents are available from electronic download at <http://www.questcdn.com> entering ebid doc #4442566 on the "Search Projects" page. Please contact QuestCDN.com at (952) 233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance.

All plan holders who order electronic proposals through QuestCDN will receive addenda as they are released; however, it is the Contractor's full responsibility to ensure they have received all addenda prior to the submittal of bids.

All plan holders who order electronic proposals through the City Web Site will receive addenda as they are released; however, **it is the Contractor's full responsibility to ensure they have received all addenda prior to the submittal of bids.**

Please e-mail questions concerning this solicitation to Traci.Reimringer@minneapolismn.gov. Questions received later than 8 days prior to bid opening may not be addressed.

Successful bidders with cumulative contracts exceeding \$50,000 will be required to submit a written affirmative action plan (AAP) to the Minneapolis Department of Civil Rights (MDCR) in accordance with Chapter 139.50(b) of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances.

The successful bidder shall be subject to a pre-award compliance review by the MDCR in accordance with Chapters 139.50 and 423. In addition to the pre-award review, MDCR will also monitor SUBP participation, minority and female employment participation and prevailing wage throughout all construction projects. As of May 1, 2012 the employment goals for onsite labor on all city construction contracts are 6% female and 32% minority. Employee hours and wages are required to be filed electronically with a free online account at LCPTracker.net. Information regarding Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) may be found on the web at www.ci.minneapolis.us.gov/civilrights/compliance. Questions may be directed to the Department of Civil Rights at contractcompliance@minneapolismn.gov.

The City of Minneapolis hereby notifies all bidders that in regard to any invitations to bid, advertisements, solicitations, or contracts to be entered into pursuant to this Plan, businesses owned and controlled by minorities or women will be afforded maximum feasible opportunity to submit bids and/or proposals in response and will not be subjected to discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, including sexual harassment, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, age, marital status, or status with regard to public assistance or familial status.

Prospective bidders' attention is called to Minnesota Statutes 13.591 Business Data. This section states in part:

Data submitted by a business to a government entity in response to a request for bids as defined in Section 16C.02, Subdivision 11, are private or non-public until the bids are opened. Once the bids are opened, the name of the bidder and the dollar amount specified in the response are read and become public. All other data in a bidder's response to a bid are private or non-public data until completion of the selection process. For the purposes of this section, "completion of the selection process" means that the government entity has completed its evaluation and has ranked the responses. After a government entity has completed the selection process, all remaining data submitted by all bidders are public with the exception of trade secret data as defined and classified in Section 13.37. A statement by a bidder that submitted data are copyrighted or otherwise protected does not prevent public access to the data contained in the bid.

Bidders are hereby advised that their bid document may become available to the public once a successful bidder has been chosen.

The City of Minneapolis has adopted an Environmental Purchasing Policy (EPP) that is incorporated into all bids. A copy of the policy can be found at this link: http://www.minneapolismn.gov/sustainability/approach/policies/sustainability_purchasing

Prompt Payment: Per Minnesota Statutes 471.425 contractors shall pay all certified small subcontractors for undisputed work completed, within ten (10) days after the City of Minneapolis has paid the contractor for the completed work.

Chapter 471.895 of the Minnesota Statutes prohibits gifts from interested persons to local officials. Local Officials includes any individuals who purchase or advise or recommend on the purchase of goods and/or services.

Conflict of Interest/Code of Ethics: Contractor agrees to be bound by the City's Code of Ethics, Minneapolis Code of Ordinances, Chapter 15. Contractor certifies that to the best of its knowledge, all City employees and officers participating in this Agreement have also complied with that Ordinance. It is agreed by the Parties that any violation of the Code of Ethics constitutes grounds for the City to void this Agreement. All questions relative to this section shall be referred to the City and shall be promptly answered.

Minneapolis Code of Ordinances, Section 18.200, relating to equal benefits for domestic partners, applies to each contractor and sub-contractor with 21 or more employees that enter into a "contract" as defined by the Ordinance that exceeds \$100,000.00. Compliance with Section 18.200 is required commencing January 1, 2004. The categories to which the ordinance applies are services; the sale of purchase of supplies, materials, equipment or the rental thereof; and the construction, alteration, repair or maintenance of personal property. The categories to which the ordinance does not apply include real property and development contracts.

The contract is in a category to which the ordinance applies.

Please be aware that if the contract initially does not exceed \$100,000.00, but is later modified so that the contract does exceed \$100,000.00, the ordinance will then apply to the contract.

A complete text of the ordinance is available on the internet at: <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/citywork/city-coordinator/finance/purchasing>. Copies are also available in the office of City Purchasing. It is the contractor's and sub-contractors responsibility to review and understand the requirements and applicability of this ordinance.

All successful bidder(s) will be required to comply fully with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA).

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Sealed bids will be received and time stamped by receptionist until **10 AM, Local Time, May 3rd, 2016** at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. **Do not fax** sealed bids to Purchasing.

Envelopes must bear the name of the firm submitting the bid and be addressed as follows:

**City of Minneapolis Purchasing Department
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The City of Minneapolis reserves the right to waive informalities in bids, to accept or reject any or all bids or any part of any bid. Bids must be typewritten, or printed in ink, and signed in ink in handwriting.

TWO complete bid form responses, including attachments, are to be returned, one of which **must** be an original.

BIDS CONTAINING ANY ALTERATION OR ERASURE WILL BE REJECTED UNLESS ALTERATION OR ERASURE IS CROSSED OUT AND CORRECTION PRINTED IN INK OR TYPEWRITTEN AND INITIALED IN INK BESIDE CORRECTION BY THE PERSON SIGNING THE BID.

Automatic Bid/RFP Notification:

Visit the Purchasing website at - http://www.minneapolismn.gov/business/business_doing_business_with_city to sign up for e-mail updates and to view Formal Bids, Informal Bids and RFPs

Taxes:

Effective January 1, 2014, State of Minnesota requires vendors to obtain an ST-3 exemption certificate to substantiate a full (State & Local) sales tax exemption on sales to Minnesota cities, counties, and townships. This form can be found on the City of Minneapolis website at <http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/finance/procurement>.