

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids will be received by the Metropolitan Sewerage District (DISTRICT) of Buncombe County, North Carolina at the second floor conference room of the MSD W. H. Mull Building, 2028 Riverside Drive in Asheville, North Carolina, until **2:00 PM** (local time), **Thursday, October 12, 2023**, and shall be immediately opened publicly and read aloud for the project described as follows:

Buchanan Avenue Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project No. 2014023

Generally consisting of the furnishing of all services, supplies, materials and equipment, and performing of all labor for the construction and installation of approximately 2,204 L.F. of 8-inch DIP mainline sewer, including manholes and all appurtenances related thereto.

Complete plans, specifications and contract documents may be **examined** at the DISTRICT website: www.msdbc.org/adsforprojects.php

Copies of the complete plans, specifications, and contract documents may be **obtained** by contacting Denise Moore at (828) 225-8277 or denisem@msdbc.org

The plans, specifications, and contract documents on the DISTRICT'S website are provided as a courtesy to interested parties. **Contractors planning to submit a bid for DISTRICT projects must purchase an official set of plans and specifications in order to be a registered planholder.**

A non-refundable deposit of seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) is required. Orders for plans and specifications which are to be delivered by parcel post or other carriers will not be accepted for a period of five (5) days prior to bid date.

The Metropolitan Sewerage District of Buncombe County encourages qualified minority businesses to bid on or participate as a subcontractor in District Contracts. To learn more about the Minority Businesses in the Asheville area, access the *Office of Historically Underutilized Businesses* for the State of North Carolina at www.doa.state.nc.us/hub. Local minority vendors are listed on this site.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a deposit with the Metropolitan Sewerage District of Buncombe County of cash, or a cashier's check, or a certified check on some bank or trust company insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in an amount equal to not less than five percent (5%) of the bid amount. In lieu of making the cash deposit as above described, a satisfactory Bid Bond in the amount of 5% of the total bid, executed by a corporate surety licensed under the laws of North Carolina to execute such bonds, shall be submitted with each bid, conditioned that the surety will upon demand forthwith make payment to the obligee upon said bond if the bidder fails to execute the contract in accordance with the bid bond. This deposit shall be retained if the successful bidder fails to execute the contract within ten (10) days after the award of bid or fails to give satisfactory surety as required in North Carolina General Statute Section 143-129.

Each bidder must have current North Carolina licenses for all work for the project, and be appropriately licensed as a Contractor as provided in Chapter 87 of the North Carolina General Statute. Each Bidder must comply with MSD's Guidelines for Recruitment and Selection of Minority Business.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract amount. Those bonds shall meet the requirements of North Carolina General Statute Section 143-129 and of Article 3 of Chapter 44A of the North Carolina General Statute.

No bid may be withdrawn after bids have been opened, except as provided in North Carolina General Statute Section 143-129.1.

The contract shall be awarded to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, taking into consideration quality, performance and time of delivery. The DISTRICT reserves the right to reject any and all bids, including, without limitation, the right to reject any or all non-conforming, non-responsive, unbalanced or conditional bids, and to reject the bid of any bidder if the DISTRICT believes that it would not be in the best interest of the DISTRICT to make an award to that bidder. The DISTRICT also reserves the right to waive informalities.

**METROPOLITAN SEWERAGE DISTRICT OF
BUNCOMBE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**

**BY: Thomas E. Hartye, P.E.
GENERAL MANAGER**