

INVITATION TO BID

The City of Cambridge, Massachusetts, the Awarding Authority, invites sealed bids for the project:

Graham & Parks School Front Entry and Back Schoolyard Improvements

Nature and scope of work: *The Work includes furnishing all labor, materials and equipment necessary to construct ADA accessible entrances and access to both the front entry and back schoolyard at Graham and Parks School, located on Linnaean Street between Avon and Walker Street. Improvements to the school's front entrance include the removal and replacement of concrete pavement, a new concrete ramp and stair system, new brick veneer masonry walls, and the installation of concrete unit pavers to replace the existing bluestone paving. Improvements to the back schoolyard include demolition of existing stairs and landings, and the construction of new concrete walls, ramps, and stair systems. The Work also includes the replacement of three building doors and thresholds, new playground surfacing, asphalt and concrete paving, installation of new and salvaged site furnishings, installation of new handrails and guardrail, the pruning and protection of existing trees, and installation of new trees*

Bidding procedures shall be in accordance with M.G.L. c. 30, §39M, as most recently amended, and all other applicable laws.

The estimated project value is **\$ 370,000.00**

Plans and specifications will be available from 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Mondays; 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tuesdays thru Thursdays; and 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon on Fridays, at the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 795 Massachusetts Avenue, Room 303, Cambridge, MA 02139 from **Thursday June 11, 2015** upon deposit of \$50.00 for each set in the form of a check made payable to the City of Cambridge. **The deposit will be refunded after the return of the documents in good condition within and no later than the time periods set forth in the instruction to Bidders, whether or not a bid was submitted. NO PARTIAL SETS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED.**

All contractor questions must be submitted by Thursday June 18 by 4:00 PM. Any questions received after such time will be answered at the discretion of the City.

Sealed general bids will be received at the Purchasing Department, City Hall, 795 Massachusetts Avenue, Room 303, Cambridge, MA 02139 until **Thursday June 25, 2015 2:00pm** at which time all general bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

An original and one copy of the bid forms must be submitted.

All general bids shall be accompanied by a bid deposit in the form of a certified, cashier's or treasurer's check (**NO CASH**) issued by a responsible bank or trust company made payable to the City of Cambridge or a bid bond, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the value of the bid.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Performance Bond and a Labor and Material (Payment) bond each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract sum. Bonds shall be obtained from a surety licensed to do business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the form shall be satisfactory to the City of Cambridge.

The successful bidder will also be required to comply with the provisions of Chapter 306 of the Acts of 2004 in regard to required OSHA approved safety & health training.

The City of Cambridge reserves the right to reject any or all general bids if it is in the public interest to do so.

No less than the wage rates as set forth in the schedule contained in the Contract Documents must be paid on this project.

Attention is called to the following programs and ordinances of the City of Cambridge:

1. Minority Business Enterprise Program
2. Cambridge Employment Plan: minority/women/resident hiring ordinance
3. Cambridge Responsible Employer Plan
4. Living Wage
5. Cambridge CORI Ordinance
6. OSHA

Copies of the above are bound in the bid documents and are fully integral portions of the conditions of the contract with which each contractor and sub-contractor must comply.

A pre-bid conference for all bidders will be held as follows:

Date: **Thursday June 18, 2015**
Time: **10:00 AM**
Place: **Graham and Parks School**
44 Linnaean Street
Cambridge, MA 02138

Amy L. Witts
Purchasing Agent