

## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that Hardyston Township (Township) will receive sealed Bids for "**SIDEWALK AND RAMP REPLACEMENT**". Sealed Bids will be received at the offices of the Township, located at the Hardyston Township Municipal Building, 149A Wheatsworth Road, Hardyston, New Jersey 07419 until Wednesday, April 13, 2022 at 10:00 a.m., at which place and time, the Bids which have been received will be opened and read in public.

Contract Documents, prepared by USA Architects, Planners, & Interior Designers, P.A., and approved by the Township, may be examined and obtained at the Hardyston Township Municipal Building. A non-refundable payment in the amount of \$25.00, made payable to Hardyston Township, will be required for each hard copy of Contract Documents requested by prospective Bidders or any other party. Contract Documents will be made available electronically at [www.hardyston.com](http://www.hardyston.com) at no cost.

Bidders are encouraged to schedule a site inspection prior to submitting a bid to understand the site conditions. Site inspections are by appointment only. Site inspections must be scheduled with the Director of Public Works by no later than Friday, March 25, 2022. Contact Robert Schultz at (973) 827-3525 or [bschultz@hardyston.com](mailto:bschultz@hardyston.com) to schedule an inspection.

Questions relating to the bid documents or project specifications shall be submitted in writing by no later than 3:00 p.m. on Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. All questions shall be directed to Robert Schultz, [bschultz@hardyston.com](mailto:bschultz@hardyston.com) and Susan DeHart, USA Architects, [sdehart@usarchitects.com](mailto:sdehart@usarchitects.com). The Township will provide a written response to all questions by April 1, 2022.

Bids shall be submitted to the Township in the Contract Document Book, which shall be left whole and intact in every respect. Bids shall be enclosed in an opaque, sealed envelope, plainly marked "**SIDEWALK AND RAMP REPLACEMENT**" and shall show the name and address of the Bidder. Bids may be forwarded by certified mail. If mailed, the sealed envelope containing the Bid and marked as above, must be enclosed in another envelope properly addressed for mailing as follows:

Jane Bakalarczyk, Township Clerk  
Hardyston Township  
149 Wheatsworth Road  
Hardyston, New Jersey 07419

973-823-7020 Ext. 9409 (phone)  
973-823-7021 (fax)

The delivery or non-delivery of the Bid is the sole responsibility of the Bidder. The Township will not be responsible for late postal delivery or late delivery of courier service and no Bids will be accepted after the time stipulated and set forth above.

Bidders are required to comply with the provisions of the New Jersey Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11 et seq.) and the requirements of the Public Works Contractors Registration Act. All Bids must be accompanied by: Bid Guarantee in the form of a certified check or cashier's check or bid bond for not less than ten (10%) percent of the bid amount, provided said check or bond need not be more than \$20,000.00; Certificate from a Surety Company guaranteeing that the successful Bidder will furnish performance and payment (labor and materials) bonds, each in a sum not less than 100% of the total price for the complete bid if awarded, with an approved surety company authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey and acceptable to the Township; Statement of Corporate Ownership, setting forth the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation who own ten percent (10%) or more of the stock in any class, or of the individual partners in the partnership who own ten percent (10%) or greater interest therein; Listing of Subcontractors; Notarized Non-Collusion Affidavit; Notarized Bidder's Affidavit; Acknowledgment of Receipt of Changes to Bid Documents Form; and Bid Document Submission Checklist. The Standard Bid Forms, Non-Collusion Affidavit and Disclosure Statement are included with the specifications. Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and Chapter 127 of P.L. 1975 (N.J.A.C. 17:27) and any amendments thereto, regarding equal employment opportunity and affirmative action. All Bidders are notified that the Contract will include the mandatory equal employment opportunity language. The successful Bidder will be required to submit an Initial Project Manning Report (Form AA201) within three (3) days of the Notice of Award of the Contract. If the successful Bidder fails to submit said report, the Township may declare the Contractor non-responsive and award the Contract to the next lowest responsible bidder.

This Contract is subject to all of the Department of Labor Safety and Health Regulation and to the applicable provisions of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970.

The successful Bidder shall be required to comply with the following:

- A. Affirmative Action requirements (P.L. 1975, C.127, N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. & N.J.A.C. 17:27-1 et seq.).
- B. The provisions of the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act (N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25 et seq.).
- C. Anti-Kickback Regulations under Section 2 of the Act of June 13, 1934, known as the Copeland Act.
- D. Worker and Community Right-to-Know Act (N.J.S.A. 34:5A-1).
- E. Anti-Drug/Alcohol plan in accordance with 49 CFR Parts 40, 199 and 391.

No Bidder may withdraw his Bid within sixty (60) days after the actual date of the opening of Bids.

The Township reserves the right to waive minor defects and informalities in any Bid and to reject any and all Bids, or to accept Bids that are, in the opinion of the Township, in the best interest of the Township. The Township reserves the right to reject any Bids which exceed the available financial appropriation for this Project.

By order of the Township Council and Clerk of Hardyston Township: