

CITY OF GASTONIA ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT INVITATION TO BID

City of Gastonia will hold a pre-bid conference in the Environmental Study Center, Schiele Museum, 1500 East Garrison Blvd, Gastonia, at **2:00 PM, Tuesday, November 1, 2016.**

Mailed sealed proposals will be received by the City of Gastonia, NC in the office of Margo Tauzel, Project Administrator, 150 S. York Street, Gastonia, NC. Hand delivered sealed proposals will be received in Room 131 of the Garland Center, 150 S. York Street, until **2:00 PM, Thursday, November 17, 2016** at which time and place all bids will then be publicly opened and all bid prices read aloud for the following:

SCHIELE MUSEUM FOUNDATION REPAIR AND MODIFICATIONS

Bidders must be a licensed contractor in the State of North Carolina. Subject to the provisions of the State of North Carolina Contractor's Licensing Law, it will be necessary for the contractor to place his contractor's license number on the envelope containing his bid.

No bid shall be considered or accepted by the City of Gastonia unless at the time of its filing the same shall be accompanied by a deposit of cash or 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 proposal. In lieu of making the cash deposit, bidder may file a bid bond executed by a corporate surety licensed under the laws of North Carolina to execute such bonds, 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 or fails to give satisfactory surety as required herein.

This successful bidder shall be required to enter into a contract with the City of Gastonia in writing and shall be required to furnish bond from some surety company authorized to do business in the State of North Carolina, make deposit of money, certified check, or government sureties for the full amount of said contract for the faithful performance of the terms of said contract as required by Section 143-129 of the General Statutes of North Carolina.

Copies of the Instructions to Bidders, the Agreement to be executed, Special Provisions, forms for bonds and other documents and Project Plans may be obtained from the City Engineer's office at a cost of \$25.00 or at <https://www.questcdn.com/questcdn/action/questLogin>, use eBidDoc # (4705588) at a cost of \$10.00 (non-refundable). A set of the City of Gastonia Standard Specifications and Standard Details may be obtained free of charge on the City's website at <http://www.cityofgastonia.com/city-specifications-standard-details/>. The City of Gastonia Standard Specifications and City of Gastonia Standard Details shall apply to this project.

No bid shall be withdrawn after the opening of bids without the consent of the City of Gastonia, for a period of sixty (60) days after the scheduled time of closing bids. The Bid securities of all bidders, except those submitted with the three (3) lowest proposals, will be returned within fifteen (15) days after the time of opening the bids. The bid security accompanying the three (3) lowest acceptable proposals may be held by the City of Gastonia, North Carolina, until a construction contract has been executed and a satisfactory Performance Bond in the sum of the full amount of the contract has been delivered to the City of Gastonia.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a letter from the bidder's insurance representative certifying that said insurer read the insurance requirements as set forth in the General Conditions of the contract and will issue the required policies.

The award of any contract will be made by the City of Gastonia, North Carolina, to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder. Responsible bidder will be defined as one who furnishes satisfactory evidence that he has the requisite experience and ability and that he has sufficient capital, facilities, and plant to enable him to perform the work successfully and promptly, and to complete the work within the time specified in the contract documents. At a minimum, responsible bidder shall be appropriately licensed by the State of North Carolina, have provided the required bid bond, have the capability of meeting bonding and insurance requirements, and be in compliance with Federal, State and local laws and regulations applicable to the project.

The City of Gastonia reserves the right to reject any proposal for failure to comply with all requirements of this notice or of any of the contract documents; however, it may waive any minor defects or informalities at its discretion. The City of Gastonia further reserves the right to reject all proposals or award a contract which, in its judgment, is in the best interest of the City.

Envelopes containing bids shall be marked as follows:

Your Company's Address	
License Number	
TO: CITY OF GASTONIA Post Office Box 1748 Gastonia, North Carolina 28053-1748	
Attention: Margo Tausel, Project Administrator	
Bids on the: SCHIELE MUSEUM FOUNDATION REPAIR & MODIFICATIONS	
Bid Opening: <u>2:00 PM Thursday, November 17, 2016</u>	Garland Center 150 S. York Street Gastonia, NC 28052