

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Municipality of Princeton in the County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, at the Municipal Building, 400 Witherspoon Street, Princeton, New Jersey 08540 on **February 15, 2017 at 11:00 AM** prevailing time and place publicly opened and read for the following:

CHERRY VALLEY ROAD TREE REMOVAL PROJECT

The base bid project includes the removal of 165 trees (in total) of 6 inches or more in diameter at breast height (DBH), defined as 4½ feet above ground level measured on the downhill side, as follows: 100 trees of 6"-18" DBH, 40 trees of 18"-24" DBH, 8 trees of 24"-30" DBH, 9 trees 30"-45" DBH, and 8 trees greater than 45" DBH and related miscellaneous work. Bidders are advised that the contract time is **thirty (30) calendar days** and tree removal shall be completed before April 1, 2017.

Plans, specifications and bid documents may be obtained for the non-reimbursable sum of \$30.00 at the office of the Municipal Engineer, located at the Princeton Municipal Building, 400 Witherspoon Street, Second Floor, Princeton, New Jersey between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. In accordance with applicable law, the bidders' list will not be disclosed.

All bids shall be on approved bid forms which shall be submitted in sealed envelopes, addressed to the Municipal Clerk, Municipal Building, 400 Witherspoon Street, First Floor, Princeton, New Jersey 08540, bearing the name and address of the bidder and the purpose for which the bid is submitted. Required documents to be submitted are set forth in Paragraph 1C of the "Instructions to Bidders".

Bids may be submitted in person or by mail and they will be received at the Municipal Clerk's Office and publicly opened, examined and announced. No bids will be received after the above-designated time. The Municipality assumes no responsibility for the loss or the non-delivery of any bid sent to it prior to the bid opening.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check, bank cashier's check or bid bond of an amount equal to at least ten percent (10%) of the total bid, but not to exceed \$20,000.00, payable to the Municipality of Princeton and a Consent of Surety. The surety shall be bound to furnish performance and payment bonds as required in the "Instructions to Bidders".

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1 et seq., concerning Equal Employment and Affirmative Action, N.J.S.A. 52:25-24.2 (P.L. 1977, c.33), requiring a Statement of Ownership Disclosure, and all other requirements as set forth in the Instructions to Bidders.

The Municipality intends to award this project to the lowest responsible bidder whose bid is responsive and complies with its requirements for same, provided that in the judgment of the Municipality it is reasonable, within available funds and in the interest of the Municipality. The Municipality reserves the right to reject any and all bids to the extent permitted by law. An award will be made or bids will be rejected within 60 days after the opening of bids, unless extended as provided by law.

Kathleen Brzezynski
Municipal Clerk