SAMPLE INVITATION FOR BIDS

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS 20XX (PROJECT TITLE)
CDBG – PF GRANT #XXXX-XX-XXX-PF-XX
TOWN/CITY/COUNTY OF _______, MISSISSIPPI

Sealed bids will be received by the Town/City/County of _______, Mississippi, located at (street address) (P.O. Box), _______, Mississippi _____, until 1:00pm local time on (weekday), (month day, year), for supplying all labor and materials (as specified) necessary for construction of the 20XX (project title).

The work generally consists of (Give a description of the work required).

The above general outline of features of the work does not in any way limit the responsibility of the Contractor to perform all work and furnish all plant, labor, equipment and materials required by the specifications and the drawings referred to therein.

Contract time shall be XXX consecutive calendar days from the effective date shown in the Notice to Proceed. Liquidated damages will be assessed in the amount of the actual costs incurred for each consecutive calendar day beyond the specified contract time.

Special Damages: In addition to the amounts provided for liquidated damages, expenses and other losses, Contractor, in the event of such default, shall pay to the Owner the actual costs, expenses and other losses reasonably incurred by Owner.

Bidder must be qualified under Mississippi Law and show current Certificate of Responsibility issued by the Mississippi State Board of Public Contractors establishing his classification as to the value and type of construction on which he is authorized to bid.

Each Bidder shall write his Certificate of Responsibility Number on the outside of the sealed envelope containing his proposal.

Proposals be submitted in duplicate, sealed and deposited with the City/Town/County of _______, Mississippi prior to the hour and date hereinbefore designated. No bidder may withdraw his bid within 90 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Each Bidder must submit with his proposal a separate attachment stating his qualifications to perform the work. The Statement of Qualifications shall list past projects of similar size and nature, a list of references with name and telephone number, a list of key personnel who will perform the work, and other information supporting the Bidder’s qualifications.

Awarding public contracts to non-resident Bidders will be on the same basis as the non-resident Bidder’s state awards contracts to Mississippi Contractors bidding under similar circumstances. In order to ensure that Mississippi’s so-called Golden Rule is followed state law requires a non-resident bidder to attach to his bid a copy of his resident state’s current laws pertaining to such state’s treatment of non-resident contractors.

Each Bidder must deposit with his proposal, a Bid Bond or Certified Check in an amount equal to five percent of his bid, payable to the City/Town/County of _______, Mississippi, as bid security.
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Bidders shall also submit a current financial statement, if requested, by the City/Town/County of _____, Mississippi.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a Payment Bond and Performance Bond each in the amount of 100 percent of the contract amount.

Contract Drawings, Contract Specifications, Instructions to Bidders and Bidders Proposal Forms are on file and open to public inspection in the office of the City/Town/County Clerk of _____, Mississippi. Copies of the Instructions to Bidders, Bid Forms, Contract Drawings and Contract Specifications may be procured at the office of the Engineer between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM, Local Time, Monday through Friday, upon payment of $100.00 for each set, which will not be refunded. Checks are to be made payable to the Engineer.

The work to be performed under this contract is subject to the requirements of Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended 12 U.S.C. 1701u (Section 3). CDBG regulations governing the grant require that, to the greatest extent feasible, opportunities for contracting, subcontracting, training and employment arising in connection with this CDBG project will be extended to Section 3 businesses and Section 3 residents.

A pre-bid meeting will be held on (Weekday), (Month Day), 20XX, at XX:00PM at ______________ to discuss the Section 3 requirements of the Contract and outline Contractor’s action steps during the bidding process which are necessary to comply with the current CDBG requirements.

Minority and women’s business enterprises are solicited to bid on this contract as prime contractors and are encouraged to make inquiries regarding potential subcontracting opportunities, equipment, material and/or supply needs.

The City/Town/County of _____ is an Equal Opportunity Employer. The City/Town/County of _____ hereby notifies all Bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in an contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement will be afforded the full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, sexual preference, marital or veteran status, or any other legally protected status in consideration for an award.

The Engineer is (Name, Address and Telephone Number of Engineer).

The City/Town/County of _____ reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities or irregularities therein.

BY: _____________, Mayor/President
City/Town/County of _____, Mississippi
Dates of Publication: ______________