

INVITATION FOR BIDS
IFB# 22-04

The City of Fall River Purchasing Department invites sealed bids for the Edmond P. Talbot Middle School Drainage Improvements Project located at 124 Melrose Street, Fall River, MA 02720 in accordance with documents prepared by Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc. entitled, “Edmond P. Talbot Middle School Drainage Improvements”, dated July 7, 2021.

Solicitation packages will be available electronically beginning **Thursday, July 8, 2021** by request at purchasing@fallriverma.org

The work of this Contract, without limiting the generality thereof, consists of furnishing all labor, materials and equipment necessary to create a new access driveway and associated improvements including, but not limited to, new bituminous asphalt driveway, parking, walking paths, site drainage and stormwater improvements, pavement markings, landscape improvements, establishment of lawns and other related work as shown on the plans and as specified herein.

Total Project Cost is estimated at: \$1,200,000.00

All bids for this project are subject to applicable public bidding laws of Massachusetts, including G.L. c.30, § 39M, as amended.

Bids are subject to Prevailing Wage Rates.

All parties must submit, with their bids, all required documents and certificates.

All bids shall be in triplicate and enclosed in a sealed envelope, endorsed with the category of work being bid on, the name and address of the bidder, marked “**BID IFB # 22-04 – Edmond P. Talbot Middle School Drainage Improvements**” and addressed to:

Purchasing Department, Room 234,
One Government Center, Fall River, MA 02722
by 2:00pm., local time, Monday, August 2, 2021

Bids are to be submitted by the deadline noted above, at which time they will be publicly opened and read. The bid opening will be witnessed, opened, read, video-taped and made public directly at: https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLwZ_O3BIFINUMV6xfTfVJsDvTb6HyaRkE. Postmarks will not be considered. Bids submitted on any other form will not be accepted as valid bids.

Bids may be delivered or mailed to the Purchasing Department or hand-delivered to the attendant at the Third Street entrance of Government Center between the hours of 8:00am and 4:00pm, Monday through Friday. Envelopes must be clearly marked: **BID IFB #22-04 – Edmond P. Talbot Middle School Drainage Improvements.**

A pre-bid conference will be held at the Site at **2:00 PM on Thursday, July 15, 2021.**

All inquiries and questions concerning this IFB must be addressed via email at purchasing@fallriverma.org and will be accepted until **11:00 AM on Thursday July 22, 2021.**

The City of Fall River has established a policy to extend contract opportunities to Minority and Women Businesses. MBE/WBE Businesses are encouraged to participate. Accordingly, this project contains a **5% goal** of the overall construction cost, and applicable compliance forms must be submitted with each bid.

The successful bidder will be required to submit within five (5) working days of award of the contract, a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond in the amount of 100% of the contract value. The bonds must be furnished by a responsible surety company authorized to do business in the State of Massachusetts and licensed by the State Division of Insurance.

Each bidder must submit with their bid a bid deposit equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of bid. The bid deposit may be in the form of a certified check, bank treasurer's check, or a bid bond from a responsible surety company licensed to do business in the state of Massachusetts.

A bidder may correct, modify or withdraw a bid by written notice received in the Purchasing Department prior to the time and date set for the bid opening. After bid opening, a bidder may not change the price or any other provision of the bid in the manner prejudicial to the interest of the City or fair competition. No bidder may withdraw a bid thirty (30) days after the actual date of the opening of the bids. The City may waive information or allow the bidder to correct. General Bid and filed-sub bid forms may be found in the solicitation package.

This contract contains a price adjustment for hot mix asphalt mixtures (New Method). The base price for liquid asphalt on this project is \$542.50/TON posted by MassDOT for June 2021.

The City of Fall River reserves the right to accept or reject any Bids when doing so is deemed to be in the best interest of the City of Fall River.

The Fall River School Committee, on behalf of the City of Fall River, intends to award a contract within thirty (30) working days from the bid opening date.

Tammy Moutinho
Purchasing Agent