



NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS AND
INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed bids will be received by the Town of Bluffton for the Possum Point Sewer Extension Phase 4, and they are due by **9:00 a.m.** (Local Time) on **July 1, 2016** at Town Hall, P.O. Box 386, 20 Bridge Street, Bluffton, South Carolina (29910) at which time they will be publicly opened and read. Bids shall be clearly marked as **“IFB 2016-47 Possum Point Sewer Extension (Phase Four)”** and offerors shall submit one (1) original and four (4) copies by the stated deadline.

The work under this Contract will consist generally of the following:

- Sewer main extensions
- Water and sewer services
- Surface rehabilitation

The Plans and Specifications are available for inspection on the Town of Bluffton’s website (www.townofbluffton.sc.gov/governing/Pages/requestforproposals.aspx)

All questions concerning the Plans, Specifications, and other Contract Documents shall be directed to Gerry Diaz at the Town of Bluffton, P.O. Box 386, Bluffton, South Carolina (29910), or via facsimile (843) 706-4533, or e-mail at gdiaz@townofbluffton.com. All questions must be submitted no later than seven (7) days prior to the bid opening or June 13, 2016.

Bidders on this Work will be required to comply with the President’s Executive Order No. 11246 and Order No. 11375 which prohibit discrimination in employment regarding race, creed, color, sex or national origin.

Bidders must comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Davis-Bacon Act, the Anti-Kickback Act, the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, and 40 CFR 33.240.

This project will be partially constructed with funds provided by the South Carolina Department of Commerce, Division of Community Grant Programs, under the State’s Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program.

Bidder must make positive efforts to use small and minority owned businesses.

Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to the conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the contract.

Bids must be accompanied by a certified check or Bid Bond in the amount of five percent of the amount bid. The successful bidder must be able to provide a Payment Bond and Performance Bond within ten days of Notice of Award. These bonds must be in the amount of 100 percent of the contract amount. Provisions of the Security shall be as described in the Instruction and Information for Bidders.

Any prospective bidder, offeror, contractor or subcontractor who is aggrieved in connection with the solicitation of this contract may protest to Owner (Town of Bluffton) in accordance with Section 27 of the Town of Bluffton Purchasing Ordinance within 15 days of the date of issuance of the Notice of Intent to Award.

No bid will be considered unless the bidder is legally qualified under the provisions of the South Carolina Contractor's Licensing Law (South Carolina Code of Laws as amended on April 1, 1999, Chapter 11, Sections 40-11-10 through 40-11428).

The successful bidder must furnish proof that they have an appropriate State of South Carolina Utility Contractor's License and a Town of Bluffton Business License before a contract will be executed.

Bids must be signed by an official of the company authorized to bind the offeror, and it shall contain a statement that the proposed price is good for a period of at least ninety (90) days from the Bid opening date.

The Town reserves the right to refuse any or all bids and to waive any technicalities and formalities. The Town reserves the right to negotiate with all qualified offerors. The Town may cancel this solicitation in part or in its entirety if it is in the Town's best interest to do so.

This solicitation does not commit the Town to award a contract, or to pay for any cost incurred in the preparation of your bids, or to procure or contract for any articles of goods or services.

The Town does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or in the provision of goods or services.

All bidders must comply with the latest version of Beaufort/Jasper Water & Sewer Technical Specifications & Details.