

Sealed bids for the construction of “Rhea County Health Department Renovation” will be received at the conference room of:

Rhea County Government  
Finance Department  
375 Church St., Ste. 200  
Dayton, Tennessee 37321

until Wednesday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024 @ 2:00 p.m. local time at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read.

Drawings and Specifications and other Contract Documents may be viewed by contacting the following locations:

Associated General Contractors of East Tennessee in Chattanooga, Tel: 423-265-1111  
Knoxville Builders Exchange of Tennessee, Tel: 866-941-BXTN (2986)

A digital file, or file link, containing PDFs of the Contract Documents may be emailed to the general contractors for bidding purposes by calling the office of the Architect (MBI Companies, Inc.; (865-584-0999). General contractors will be added to the bidder’s list only by contacting the office of the Architect. Bid deposit is not required. Subcontractors, vendors, and others who desire individual drawings and specification sections may obtain them from American-Campbell, Chattanooga, Tennessee, 423-698-2876, by paying the costs of reproduction, which is not refundable. Addenda will be issued only to those parties obtaining digital files directly from the Architect. Bidders not obtaining files directly from the Office of the Architect do so at their own risk and will be held to the requirements of the documents and addenda as issued by that office.

Each bid must be accompanied by a Bid Security in the form of a Cashiers Check or a Bidders Bond, executed by the bidder and a surety company in the sum of not less than five percent (5%) of the total amount of the bid including all additive alternates, as a guarantee that, if the bid is accepted, the required contract will be executed, and the required performance and payment bonds furnished. Bid Bond shall be executed on AIA Document A310. Said bond will be returned to the unsuccessful bidders as soon as the contract has been awarded and the successful bidder has executed the contract and furnished the necessary bonds, and the contract has been executed by the Owner. Such bond shall be from a surety Company authorized to transact business in the State of Tennessee and Company shall be registered in Federal Register, Department of the Treasury, Fiscal Service, Companies Holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Sureties on Federal Bonds and as Acceptable Reinsuring Companies, Notice. Attorneys in Fact who sign any bonds must file with each instrument a certified and effective dated copy of their power of attorney.

The successful bidder will be required to execute a performance bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum and a payment bond covering and including labor and materials in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the Contract Sum. Performance and Labor and Material Payment Bond shall be on AIA Form A312.]

All bidders must be licensed contractors as required by the contractors Licensing Act of 1976, enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee on March 18, 1976 and as amended to date as codified by Tennessee Code Annotated (TCA) Sections §62-6-119. Bidder's name, license number, date of expiration of license, license limit, and that part of license classification applying to the bid must be placed on the envelope containing the bid, otherwise the bid cannot be opened or considered. As applicable by Tennessee Annotated Code and/or TDEC regulations, the names of the Mechanical, Plumbing, Electrical, and Roofing Subcontractors, License numbers, date of expiration of their licenses, license limit, and license classification must also be on the bid envelopes otherwise the bid cannot be opened or considered. General Contractors performing Mechanical, Plumbing, Electrical, Masonry, Roofing and/or Geothermal work must designate this information on the outside of the envelope.]

Each bidder and each person signing on behalf of any bidder certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of its knowledge and belief that each bidder is not a person included within or on the list created pursuant to TCA §12-12-106.

No bidder will be permitted to withdraw his bid within sixty (60) days after the date of opening of bids. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any informalities therein.

A Prebid Conference will be held on Wednesday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 @ 2:00 pm local time at the project site. Attendance at this Prebid Conference is not mandatory for Prime Bidders; and optional for HVAC, Plumbing, and Electrical Sub-bidders. Representatives of the Owner, the Architect, and Architect's Engineering Consultants will be present to describe and explain the scope of the work to be bid and to answer questions. Representatives of all Subcontractors bidding are invited to attend.

Upon award of the construction contract to the successful bidder, construction shall commence on a date to be specified in the "Notice to Proceed" to the Contractor and shall be completed on or before the completion date specified in the Contract Documents as time is of the essence in the performance of the contract for construction.

Upon receipt of Notice to Proceed, the Contractor will complete the work regularly, diligently, and uninterruptedly at such rate of progress as will ensure full completion thereof within the time specified on the Bid Form.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any information in or to reject any or all bids and to accept the bid deemed favorable to the interest of the Owner.

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