

**Downtown Water Tower
City of Fargo, North Dakota**

**Apex Project No. 18.351.0088
Fargo Project No. WA1910**

Section 00030 - ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for the construction of Downtown Water Tower, according to the drawings and specifications will be received by the City Auditor until 11:30 a.m. on December 2, 2020 by one of the following options:

1. Mail to City of Fargo, Auditor's Office, 225 4th St N, Fargo ND 58102 (Write "Downtown Water Tower" on the outside of your envelope)
2. Deposit your envelope in the Drop Box located at the entrance of the City Hall employee parking ramp, on 3rd Ave N. (Write "Downtown Water Tower" on the outside of your envelope)

Bids will then be opened and read aloud at 11:45 a.m. on December 2, 2020 in the Engineering Conference Room in Fargo City Hall. The public is encouraged to view this bid opening from their computer, tablet, or smartphone by visiting www.fargobidopenings.com.

The Contract Documents may be examined at the following locations:

Apex Engineering Group, Inc. – 4733 Amber Valley Parkway South, Fargo, ND 58104
Fargo-Moorhead Builder's Exchange – 1010 Page Drive, Fargo, ND 58103
Bismarck Mandan Builder's Exchange – 805 Adobe Trail, Mandan, ND 58554
Minot Builder's Exchange – 2424 Burdick Expressway E, Minot, ND 58701
Minneapolis Builder's Exchange – 1123 Glenwood Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55405
Fargo Water Treatment Plant – 435 14th Avenue South, Fargo, ND 58102

The Contract Documents are available for download from the QuestCDN.com web site for \$60.00 (QuestCDN Project #7385503). Bidders may also obtain hard copies of the Contract Documents from the office of Apex Engineering Group, Inc., 4733 Amber Valley Parkway South, Fargo, ND 58104 upon payment of a non-refundable fee of \$200.00.

Bids shall be based upon cash payment for the following general items:

Construction of a new 2.5 million gallon composite elevated water storage tank, site building demolition, site utilities, mechanical, electrical, demolition of existing 0.5 million gallon multi-leg elevated water storage tank and associated appurtenances.

Bids will be received as a Lump Sum bid for combined General, Mechanical, and Electrical Construction and also for separate General, Mechanical, and Electrical work The Owner intends to award the Bid based on either the lowest separate Bids or lowest combined Bid, whichever is in their best interest. The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all Bids.

A pre-bid site tour will be held on Wednesday November 18, 2020 at 1:30 pm. Attendees shall meet at 1102 7th Avenue North, Fargo, North Dakota at the designated time. The Owner and Engineer will be available for questions during the site tour.

Each Bid shall be accompanied by a separate envelope containing a Bidder's Bond in a sum equal to five percent (5%) of the full amount of the Bid, executed by the Bidder as principal and by a surety company

authorized to do business in this state, conditioned that if the principal's Bid is accepted and the contract awarded to the principal, the principal, within ten (10) days after Notice of Award, shall execute and effect a contract in accordance with the terms of his Bid and a Contractor's Bond as required by law and the regulations and determinations of the governing body. The Bid Bond of the three lowest Bidders will be retained until the contract has been awarded and executed, but not longer than ninety (90) days. The Bid security is a guarantee that the Bidder will enter into contract for the work described in the Proposal. The bidder may submit a Bid Bond, certified check, or cashier's check payable to the City of Fargo, North Dakota.

All Bidders shall have a valid North Dakota Contractor's license of the appropriate Class for the work, as required by Section 43-07-05 (NDCC). Bidders shall enclose a copy of the license or Certificate of Renewal in the same envelope as the Bidder's Bond, as required under Section 43-07-12 (NDCC). Failure to do so will render the Bid invalid.

Receipt of all Addenda issued during bidding shall be acknowledged by the Bidder on the outside of the Bid Envelope. Failure to acknowledge any Addenda issued during bidding shall render the Bid invalid.

No Bid will be read or considered unless it fully complies with the Bond and license requirements. Any deficient Bid will be resealed and returned to the Bidder immediately.

The successful Bidder shall be required to furnish both a Performance Bond and Payment Bond in the full amount of the Contract.

Work under this Contract shall be Substantially Completed by July 28, 2023. Final Completion shall be achieved by September 29, 2023.

ALL QUESTIONS REGARDING THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS SHALL BE DIRECTED TO THE OFFICE OF: Apex Engineering Group, Inc., Timothy J. Paustian, PE by email at Tim.Paustian@ApexEngGroup.com. All questions must be received in writing or by email on or before seven (7) days prior to the bid opening. Responses to technical questions will be issued by addendum within five (5) days prior to the bid opening.

Dated this 2nd day of November, 2020.

Steve Sprague, City Auditor
Fargo, North Dakota