



INVITATION TO BID
ITB-002-2016

Sealed bids will be accepted by the City of Lake City, Florida until **Tuesday, December 15, 2015, 11:00 A.M.** local time in the Procurement Department located on the 2nd floor of City Hall, 205 N Marion Avenue, Lake City, Florida 32055. **Any bids delivered to any other location will not be considered received by the Procurement Department.** Bids received after the above time will not be accepted under any circumstances. Any uncertainty regarding the time a bid is received will be resolved against the Bidder. Bids will not be accepted via fax. Bid opening will be promptly at **11:15 AM** in the City Council Chambers located on the 2nd floor of City Hall, at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud for:

FIRE HYDRANTS & RISERS

All bid proposals which are submitted through delivery services such as Federal Express, UPS, or United States Postal Service Express Mail, must be marked on the OUTSIDE of the delivery package with the company or Bidder's name, address, phone number, bid number ITB-002-2016, bid title FIRE HYDRANTS & RISERS the date and time DECEMBER, 15, 2015 @ 11:00 AM. The bid proposal must be in a sealed envelope INSIDE the delivery package with the same information as listed above. All bid proposals which are hand delivered or delivered through regular mail by the United States Postal Service must have all the same information as listed above on the OUTSIDE of the sealed envelope. Failure to comply may be reason to reject the bid.

One (1) original plus one (1) copy of your bid must be sealed and plainly marked on the outside of the envelope with the bid number, the bid name and opening date. Bids must be addressed to the following:

City of Lake City
Attn: Karen Nelmes
Procurement Department
2nd Floor
205 N Marion Avenue
Lake City, Florida 32055

Bids must be completed in English language, signed with ink, in spaces provided on the enclosed bid forms and submitted in duplicate or bid will be subject to rejection.

Any deviation from the specifications must be explained in detail on sheets attached to the bid form and labeled "Clarifications and Exceptions," and each deviation must be itemized by number and must specifically refer to the applicable specification paragraph and page. Otherwise it will

be considered that items offered are in strict compliance with these specifications and the successful Bidder will be held responsible for meeting the specification.

All questions must be in writing and directed to the Director of Procurement. All questions will be answered in writing. Any answers which may alter the scope of work will be answered in the form of addenda. Any and all Addenda must be signed and returned with the original response to be considered responsive. Deadline for receiving questions is **Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at 4:00 P.M.** Questions received after this date and time will not be considered. Questions may be submitted via e-mail to procurement@lcfla.com or by mail to City of Lake City, Procurement Department, 205 N. Marion Avenue, Lake City, FL 32055.

Bidder may not withdraw his/her bid for a period of sixty (60) days.

The City of Lake City is exempt from State Use Tax, State Retail Tax and Federal Excise Tax. The bid price must be net, exclusive of taxes. **Bidder's proposal must be dated, signed by authorized representative, title, firm name, address and telephone number.**

Local Vendor Preference: City of Lake City Administrative Policy #18 states that the bid of a resident of Columbia County, Florida will have a 5% preference over the bid submitted by any non-resident of Columbia County. A resident is defined as an individual whose primary residence is within Columbia County, Florida, a partnership whose principals are all residents of Columbia County, Florida, partnership or other business entity whose principal place of business is within Columbia County, Florida, or which maintains a full time business office open to the public within Columbia County, Florida. With these and other contributing factors the City Council reserves the right to award a bid or contract in the best interest of the City.

Respondents to this solicitation or persons acting on their behalf may not contact, between the release of the solicitation and the end of the 72-hour period following the agency posting the notice of intended award, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and city holidays, any employee or officer of the executive or legislative branch concerning any aspect of this solicitation, except in writing to the Procurement Department or as provided in the solicitation documents. Violation of this provision may be grounds for rejecting a response.

Any Bidder desirous of protesting a bid for any reason must file a written notice of bid protest with the City Manager's office within 72 hours following posting of notice of intended award. All protest will be in writing stating the bid being protested and the specific reason of the protest. All protest will be signed by the Protestor and include all detail for a complete and thorough review. The decision of the City Manager, after consultation with the City Attorney will be issued within five (5) working days of the receipt of the protest, unless additional time is agreed upon by all parties involved should circumstance warrant such a delay.

By submission of his/her bid, the Bidder certifies that:

A. The bid has been arrived at by the Bidder independently and has been submitted without collusion with any other vendor of materials, supplies or equipment described in the Invitation to Bid.

B. The contents of the bid have not been communicated by the Bidder, his/her employees or agents, to his/her best knowledge and belief, to any person not an employee or agent of the Bidder or his surety in any bond furnished herewith and will not be communicated to any such person prior to the official opening of the bids.

The City of Lake City reserves the right to accept or reject any/all bids and to award the contract in the best interest of the City of Lake City, Florida.

CITY OF LAKE CITY, FLORIDA

Wendell Johnson
City Manager

THE CITY OF LAKE CITY IS ACCEPTING PROPOSALS FOR THE PURCHASE OF
FIRE HYDRANTS & RISERS.

NOTE: ALL FITTINGS TO BE DUCTILE IRON AND MJ X MJ

"SPECIFICATIONS"

ITEM I: FIRE HYDRANTS

A. Fire hydrants must be 3' bury, 5 ¼" valve opening, traffic model, left hand open. AWWA (American Water Works Association) C502 equipped with two (2) 2 ½" outlets; one (1) 4 ½" pumper outlet.

a. Quantity – 10 (ten).

\$ _____ each \$ _____ total

B. Fire hydrants must be 4' bury, 5 ¼" valve opening, traffic model, left hand open. AWWA (American Water Works Association) C502 equipped with two (2) 2 ½" outlets; one (1) 4 ½" pumper outlet.

a. Quantity – 12 (twelve).

\$ _____ each \$ _____ total

C. Fire hydrants must be 5' bury, 5 ¼" valve opening, traffic model, left hand open. AWWA (American Water Works Association) C502 equipped with two (2) 2 ½" outlets; one (1) 4 ½" pumper outlet.

a. Quantity – 6 (six).

\$ _____ each \$ _____ total

ITEM II: RISERS

A. 12" Fire hydrant risers compatible with those provided in ITEM I: A, B, and C on this bid.

a. Quantity – 4 (four).

\$ _____ each \$ _____ total

B. 6" Fire hydrant risers compatible with those provided in ITEM I: A, B, and C on this bid.

a. Quantity – 4 (four).

\$_____ each \$_____ total

“PROPOSAL”

TOTAL ITEM I: FIRE HYDRANTS \$_____
_____ DOLLARS _____ CENTS

TOTAL ITEM II: RISERS \$_____
_____ DOLLARS _____ CENTS

GRAND TOTAL (I - II): \$_____
_____ **DOLLARS** _____ **CENTS**

FIRM NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

TELEPHONE _____

FAX # _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

Authorized Representative (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE)

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

THIS FORM MUST BE USED FOR BID PROPOSAL

"TERMS AND CONDITIONS"

A. DELIVERY:

Delivery will be F.O.B. City of Lake City Warehouse located at 200 NE Gumswamp Road, 32055 within fifteen (15) calendar days of Notice of Award. Contact Adam Woodham at (386) 758-5407 to coordinate delivery.

B. PAYMENT:

Payment will be lump sum within thirty (30) calendar days of acceptance by the City of Lake City.

C. INDEMNITY:

Successful Bidder will indemnify and hold City of Lake City harmless from any loss, cost, damage or injury sustained by any person(s) as a result of the actions of employees or officers of the Bidder, or the Bidders subcontractors or suppliers.

D. CONTRACT:

The proposal of the successful bidder together with the written Notice of Award and the terms, conditions and specifications contained in the Invitation to Bid will constitute the contract.

E. ADDENDUM:

It will be the sole responsibility of the bidder to contact the Procurement Department prior to submitting a bid to determine if any addenda have been issued, to obtain such addenda and to acknowledge addenda with their bid.

F. REFERENCES:

Bidders must provide with their proposal, material for evaluating the ability of the potential Bidder to execute a project of this type. Therefore, the Bidder is required to provide a minimum of (3) three references for similar projects, which will be verified. The list of references must be attached with the bid proposal on the form provided within these specifications. All reference materials provided become the property of the City and also become public record.

G. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

The enclosed documents must be executed and returned with bid proposal or the proposal may be considered non-responsive. (Conflict of Interest Statement, Disputes Disclosure Form, Drug Free Workplace Certificate, Non-Collusion Affidavit of Proposer, Reference, Public Entity Crime Statement and E-verify Affirmation Statement.)

H. PUBLIC ENTITY CRIME:

Public Entity Crimes – Section 287.133 (3) (n) of the Florida Statutes requires that a vendor/contractor submit a sworn statement concerning Public Entity crimes. Bidders are required to submit the enclosed form with their bid, failure to do so may be reason for rejection of bid.

I. EMPLOYMENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION (E-VERIFY)

In accordance with State of Florida, Office of the Governor, Executive Order 11-116 (superseding Executive Order 11-02; Verification of Employment Status), in the event performance of this Agreement is or will be funded using state or federal funds, the CONTRACTOR must comply with the Employment Eligibility Verification Program (“E-Verify Program”) developed by the federal government to verify the eligibility of individuals to work in the United States and 48 CFR 52.222-54 (as amended) is incorporated herein by reference. If applicable, in accordance with Subpart 22.18 of the Federal Acquisition Register, the CONTRACTOR must (1) enroll in the E-Verify Program, (2) use E-Verify to verify the employment eligibility of all new hires working in the United States, except if the CONTRACTOR is a state or local government, the CONTRACTOR may choose to verify only new hires assigned to the Agreement; (3) use E-Verify to verify the employment eligibility of all employees assigned to the Agreement; and (4) include these requirement in certain subcontracts, such as construction. Information on registration for and use of the E-Verify Program can be obtained via the internet at the Department of Homeland Security Web site: <http://www.dhs.gov/E-Verify>.

J. PUBLIC RECORD:

The Owner is a public agency subject to Chapter 119, Florida Statutes. The Contractor shall comply with Florida’s public records law. Specifically, the Contractor shall:

- a. Keep and maintain public records that ordinarily and necessarily would be required by the Owner in order to perform the service;

- b. To Provide the public with access to such public records on the same terms and conditions that the Owner would provide the records and at a cost that does not exceed that provided in Chapter 119, Florida Statutes, or as otherwise provided by law;
- c. Ensure that public records that are exempt or that are confidential and exempt from public record requirements are not disclosed, except as authorized by law;
- d. Meet all requirements for retaining public records and transfer to the Owner, at no cost, all public records in possession of the Contractor upon termination of the contract and destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt. All records stored electronically must be provided to the Owner in a format that is comparable with the information technology systems of the Owner.

K. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The City of Lake City Procurement Department reserves the right to request any additional information needed for clarification from any Bidder for evaluation purposes.

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REFERENCES

List three (3) client/customer references including company name, address, contact person, telephone number and length of time services provided. (Note: only list those client/customers in which a similar type of equipment/product of scope of work/service was provided.)

- 1. Company Name: _____
Address: _____
Business Phone #: _____
Contact Person: _____
Email: _____
Length of time services provided: _____
- 2. Company Name: _____
Address: _____
Business Phone #: _____
Contact Person: _____
Email: _____
Length of time services provided: _____
- 3. Company Name: _____
Address: _____
Business Phone #: _____
Contact Person: _____
Email: _____
Length of time services provided: _____

THIS FORM MUST BE INCLUDED WITH PROPOSAL

**SWORN STATEMENT UNDER SECTION
287.133(3)(n), FLORIDA STATUTES ON PUBLIC ENTITY CRIMES**

THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED IN THE PRESENCE OF A NOTARY PUBLIC OR OTHER OFFICER AUTHORIZED TO ADMINISTER OATHS.

1. This sworn statement is submitted with Bid No._____.
2. This sworn statement is submitted by _____ whose business address is_____ and (if applicable) its Federal Identification No.(FEIN) is _____. If entity has no FEIN, include the Social Security Number of the individual signing this sworn statement_____.
3. My name is _____and my relationship to the entity named above is_____.
4. I understand that a “public entity crime” as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(g), Florida Statutes, means a violation of any state or federal law by a person with respect to, and directly related to, the transaction of business with any public entity or with an agency or political subdivision of any other state or with the United States, including, but not limited to, any bid or contract for goods or services to be provided to any public entity or an agency or political subdivision of any other state or of the United States and involving antitrust, fraud, theft, bribery, collusion, racketeering, conspiracy or material misrepresentations.
5. I understand that “convicted” or “conviction” as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(b), Florida Statutes, means a finding of guilt or a conviction of a public entity crime, with or without an adjudication of guilt, in any federal or state trial court of record relating to charges brought by indictment or information after July 1, 1989, as a result of a jury verdict, non-jury trial, or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere.
6. I understand that an “affiliate” as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(a), Florida Statutes means:
 - b. A predecessor or successor of a person convicted of a public entity crime; or
 - c. an entity under the control of any natural person who is active in the management of the entity and who has been convicted of a public entity crime. The term

“affiliate” includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members and agents who are active in the management of an affiliate. The Ownership by one person of shares constituting a controlling interest in another person, or a pooling of equipment or income among persons when not for fair market value under an arm’s length agreement, shall be a prima facie case that one person controls another person. A person who knowingly enters into a joint venture with a person who has been convicted of a public entity crime in Florida during the preceding 36 months shall be considered an affiliate.

7. I understand that a “person” as defined in Paragraph 287.133(1)(c), Florida Statutes, means any natural person or entity organized under the laws of any state of the United States with the legal power to enter into a binding contract and which bids or applies to bid on contracts for the provision of goods or services let by a public entity, or which otherwise transacts or applies to transact business with a public entity. The term “person” includes those officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members and agents who are active in management of an entity.

8. Based on information and belief, the statement, which I have marked below, is true in relation to the entity submitting this sworn statement. (Please indicate which statement applies)

_____ Neither the entity submitting this sworn statement, nor any officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members or agents who are active in neither management of the entity, nor any affiliate of the entity have been charged with or convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989.

_____ The entity submitting this sworn statement, or one or more of the officers, directors, executives, partners, shareholders, employees, members or agents who are active in management of the entity, or an affiliate of the entity has been charged with, and convicted of a public entity crime subsequent to July 1, 1989, and (Please indicate which additional statement applies)

_____ There has been a proceeding concerning the conviction before a hearing officer of the State of Florida, Division of Administrative Hearings. The final order entered by the hearing officer did not place the person or affiliate on the convicted vendor list. (Please attach a copy of the final order)

_____The person or affiliate was placed on the convicted vendor list. There has been a subsequent proceeding before a hearing officer of the State of Florida, Division of Administrative Hearings. The final order entered by the hearing officer determined that it was in the public interest to remove the person or affiliate from the convicted vendor list. (Please attach a copy of the final order)

_____The person or affiliate has not been placed on the convicted vendor list. (Please describe any action taken by, or pending with, the Department of General Services)

Signature: _____ Date _____

STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF _____

Personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority, _____ who after first being sworn by me, affixed his/her signature in the space provided above on this _____ day of _____ 20_____.

Notary Public, State at large

My Commission Expires:

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT

STATE OF FLORIDA, CITY OF _____

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared _____, who was duly sworn deposes and states:

1. I am the _____ of _____ with a local office in _____ and principal office in _____ and principal office in _____.
City & State City & State
2. The above named entity is submitting a Proposal for the City of Lake City **ITB-002-2016** described as **Fire Hydrants & Risers**.
3. The Affiant has made diligent inquiry and provides the information contained in the Affidavit based upon his/her own knowledge.
4. The Affiant states that only one submittal for the above proposal is being submitted and that the above named entity has no financial interest in other entities submitting proposals for the same project.
5. Neither the Affiant nor the above named entity has directly or indirectly entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraints of free competitive pricing in connection with the entity’s submittal for the above proposal. This statement restricts the discussion of pricing data until the completion of negotiations if necessary and execution of the Contract for this project.
6. Neither the entity nor its affiliates, nor anyone associated with them, is presently suspended or otherwise ineligible from participation in contract letting by any local, State, or Federal Agency.
7. Neither the entity nor its affiliates, nor anyone associated with them have any potential conflict of interest due to any other clients, contracts, or property interests for this project.
8. I certify that no member of the entity’s ownership or management is presently applying for an employee position or actively seeking an elected position with the City of Lake City.
9. I certify that no member of the entity’s ownership or management, or staff has a vested interest in any aspect of the City of lake City.
10. In the event that a conflict of interest is identified in the provision of services, I, on behalf of the above named entity, will immediately notify the City of Lake City.

DATED this _____ day of _____ 20_____.

(Affiant)

Typed Name and Title

Sworn to and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____ 20_____.

Personally Known _____ Or produced identification _____.

Identification type: _____

Notary Public-State of _____

Printed, typed, or stamped commissioned name of notary public.

My commission expires _____.

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DISPUTES DISCLOSURE FORM

Answer the following questions by placing an “X” after “YES” or “NO”. If you answer “YES”, please explain in the space provided, or via attachment.

Has your firm or any of its officers, received a reprimand of any nature or been suspended by the Department of Professional Regulations or any other regulatory agency or professional association within the last five (5) years?

YES _____ NO _____

Has your firm, or any member of your firm, been declared in default, terminated or removed from a contract or job related to the services your firm provides in the regular course of business within the last five (5) years?

YES _____ NO _____

Has your firm had against it or filed any request for equitable adjustment, contract claims, bid protest, or litigation in the past five (5) years that is related to the services your firm provides in the regular course of business?

YES _____ NO _____

If yes, state the nature of the request for equitable adjustment, contract claim, litigation, or protest, and state a brief description of the case, the outcome or status of the suit and the monetary amounts or extended contract time involved.

I hereby certify that all statements made are true and agree and understand that any misstatement or misrepresentation or falsification of facts shall be cause for forfeiture of rights for further consideration of this proposal for the City of Lake City.

Firm

Date

Authorized Signature

Printed or Typed Name and Title

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DRUG FREE WORKPLACE CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned, in accordance with Florida Statute 287.087, hereby certify that, _____ (print or type name of firm) publishes a written statement notifying that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace named above, and specifying actions that will be taken against violations of such prohibition.

- Informs employees about the dangers of drug abuse in the work place, the firm's policy of maintaining a drug free working environment, and available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs, and the penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug use violations.
- Gives each employee engaged in providing commodities or contractual services that are under bid or proposal, a copy of the statement specified above.
- Notifies the employees that as a condition of working on the commodities or contractual services that are under bid or proposal, the employee will abide by the terms of the statement and will notify the employer of any conviction of, plea of guilty or nolo contendere to, any violation of Chapter 1893, of any controlled substance law of the State of Florida or the United States, for a violation occurring in the work place, no later than five (5) days after such conviction, and requires employees to sign copies of such written (*) statement to acknowledge their receipt.
- Imposes a sanction on, or requires the satisfactory participation in, a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program, if such is available in the employee's community, by any employee who is so convicted.
- Makes a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug free work place through the implementation of the drug free workplace program.

“As a person authorized to sign this statement, I certify that the above named business, firm or corporation complies fully with the requirements set forth herein”

Authorized Signature

Date Signed

State of Florida

County of _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me this ____ day of _____ 20__.

Personally known _____ or Produced Identification _____

(Specify type of identification)

Signature of Notary

My Commission Expires: _____

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NON-COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF _____

COUNTY OF _____

_____, being duly sworn, deposes and says that:

1. He/She is _____ of _____, the Bidder,
Title Company Name
that has submitted the attached proposal;

2. He/She is fully informed respecting the preparation and contents of the attached proposal and of all pertinent circumstances respecting such proposal;

3. Such Proposal is genuine and is not a collusive or sham proposal;

4. Neither the said Bidder nor any of its officers, partners, owners, agents, representatives, employees, or parties in interest, including this affiant, has in any way colluded, connived, or agreed, directly or indirectly, with any other Bidder, firm or person to submit a collusive or sham Proposal in connection with such Contract, or has in any manner, directly or indirectly, sought by agreement or collusion or communication or conference with any other Bidder, firm, or person to fix the price or prices in the attached proposal or any other Bidder, or to fix any overhead, profit or cost element of the proposal price or the proposal price of any other Bidder, or to secure through any collusion, connivance, or unlawful agreement any advantage against the City of Lake City, Florida or any person interested in the proposed Contract; and

5. The price or prices quoted in the attached proposal are fair and proper and are not tainted by any collusion, conspiracy, connivance, or unlawful agreement on the part of the Bidder or any of its agents, representatives, owners, employees, or parties in interest, including this affiant.

SIGNED _____

TITLE _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me this ____ day of _____ 20____.
Personally known _____ or Produced Identification _____
(Specify type of identification)

Signature of Notary
My Commission Expires: _____

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E-VERIFY AFFIRMATION STATEMENT

RFP/Bid /Contract No:

Project Description:

Contractor/Proposer/Bidder acknowledges and agrees to utilize the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify System to verify the employment eligibility of,

- (a) all persons employed by Contractor/Proposer/Bidder to perform employment duties within Florida during the term of the Contract, and,
- (b) all persons (including subcontractors/vendors) assigned by Contractor/Proposer/Bidder to perform work pursuant to the Contract.

The Contractor/Proposer/Bidder acknowledges and agrees that use of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify System during the term of the Contract is a condition of the Contract.

Contractor/Proposer/ Bidder Company Name:

Authorized Company Person's Signature:

Authorized Company Person's Title:

Date: _____

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CITY OF LAKE CITY BIDDER'S CHECK LIST

BIDS MAY NOT BE CONSIDERED if the following documents and/or attachments are not completely filled out and submitted with your bid.

Before sending in your bid, please make sure you have completed all of the following:

_____ Enclose two (2) sets of the Bid form (one marked original and one copy), including all handwritten sections. Please make and retain a separate copy of this bid package for your records.

_____ Bid Form, must be complete and have a manual signature (original signature) preferably signed in blue ink.

_____ Every page that has anything hand written on it, must be imprinted with the company's name on the top right-hand corner of the page.

_____ Return bid in an envelope with the bid number and name of bid printed on the front of the envelope. If Fed-Ex or UPS, please keep bid in a separate sealed envelope when placing it in their packaging.

_____ Acknowledge in the bid any and all addendums issued and manually sign each addendum sheet and submit it with your bid.

_____ Erasures or other descriptive literature, brochures and/or data must be initialed by the person signing the bid.

FORMS

- _____ References
- _____ Public Entity Crime Statement
- _____ Conflict of Interest
- _____ Disputes Disclosure
- _____ Drug Free Work Place
- _____ Non-Collusion Affidavit
- _____ E-verify Affirmation Statement

_____ **PLEASE INITIAL**