TOWN OF GREAT BARRINGTON INVITATION TO BID

The Town of Great Barrington, acting through its Department of Public Works, invites sealed bids from qualified contractors for the Great Barrington Town Hall Step Repairs & Related Work project. The plans and specifications will be available Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM until 4:30 PM starting Wednesday, October 3, 2018 at 2:00pm at Foresight Land Services, 1496 West Housatonic Street, Pittsfield, MA 01201, and electronically by email request with company name, address and phone number included to: mjacoby@foresightland.com. Hard copies are available upon payment of \$50.00 by check (company, cashiers or certified) made out to the Town of Great Barrington for each set, refundable if plans and specifications are returned unmarked within fourteen (14) calendar days after the bid opening. An additional SEPARATE payment of \$20.00, non-refundable is required if postal delivery is necessary. Specifications will not be faxed.

The work to be performed includes removal and replacement of existing failing steps, railings, landing, and walkways at the Great Barrington Town Hall entrances. All applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations and rules shall be observed.

Sealed bids from General Contractors, submitted on the proper forms and clearly marked "Great Barrington Town Hall Step Repairs & Related Work" shall be received at the Office of the Board of Selectmen, Great Barrington Town Hall, 334 Main Street, Great Barrington, MA 01230 until Tuesday October 30, 2018 at 2:00pm at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. See itemized proposal with special provisions for additional submittal requirements.

There will be a Pre-bid Conference at 2:00pm on Tuesday, October 23, 2018 on site.

The Bid Guaranty from each General Contractor shall be in the form of cash bid bond, certified check, Treasurer's or Cashier's check, drawn upon a responsible bank or trust company doing business in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and shall be made payable to the Town of Great Barrington. The Bid Guaranty shall be five percent (5%) of the bid amount for General Contractors.

The work under this contract shall be subject to the provisions of Chapter 30, Section 39M of the Massachusetts General Laws. Wages are subject to Massachusetts's minimum wage rates as required by M.G.L. Chapter 149, Sections 26 to 27D, inclusive. The contractor must certify that he shall not discriminate against any qualified employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, national origin, ancestry, age, sex, religion, or physical or mental handicap. The Contractor must agree to comply with all applicable Federal, State and Local statues, rules and regulations, prohibiting discrimination in employment.

A one hundred percent (100%) Performance Bond and a one hundred percent (100%) Payment Bond will be required of the successful bidder within 7 business days of Notice of Award.

The Town of Great Barrington reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in the bids received, and to accept the bid deemed to be most favorable to the best interest of the Town. No bid shall be withdrawn within thirty (30) calendar days after the date of opening the bids.

The Town of Great Barrington is an equal opportunity employer and encourages minority and woman owned businesses to submit bids.

The Town of Great Barrington is a municipal corporation and is exempt from the payment of sales and compensating use taxes to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on all materials, equipment and supplies sold to the Contractor pursuant to this contract, to the extent authorized by G.L.c. 64H, Section 6(f). These taxes are not to be included in the bid. Copies of the Owner's tax-exempt certificate will be available to the successful Bidder upon execution of the contract.

Questions during the Bid Phase should be directed to Foresight Land Services, Inc. (413) 499-1560.

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