

CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA

NOTICE INVITING BIDS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids for performing the following described work will be received at the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Torrance, California, **until 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 24, 2011**, after which time they will be publicly opened and read at 2:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers of said City:

**CONSTRUCTION OF
TORRANCE BLVD REHABILITATION, T-43/44 – PHASE 2
SARTORI AVENUE TO WESTERN AVENUE**

B2011-09

Plans, Bid Schedule and Specifications are available for viewing and printing by prospective bidders and subcontractors on the City's website at <http://www.torranceca.gov/22122.htm>

An official and required form of Proposal shall be obtained at the Office of the City Clerk (310) 618-2870, City Hall, 3031 Torrance Boulevard, Torrance, California, at no cost if picked up at City Hall, or payment of \$5 if requested by mail. The amount includes tax and is not refundable. A prospective bidder must provide the firm's name, address, telephone and fax numbers, a contact person and a valid email address. Addenda will be issued only by email and only to those that provide the required information to the City Clerk. Receipt of any Addendum must be acknowledged by a bidder in its submitted form of Proposal.

Full-size 24" x 36" Plans and a bound Specifications booklet may also be obtained at the Office of the City Clerk (310) 618-2870, City Hall, 3031 Torrance Boulevard, Torrance, California upon payment of \$30 if picked up at City Hall, or payment of \$35 if requested by mail. Both amounts include tax. Neither amount is refundable.

If requesting any item(s) by mail, please send check to the following:

**CITY OF TORRANCE
OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK
3031 TORRANCE BLVD
TORRANCE, CA 90503-2970
ATTN: B2011-09**

The Engineer's estimate for the Base Bid is between \$575,000 and \$605,000. All work on Torrance Boulevard shall be completed prior to June 30, 2011. All other work shall be completed within ninety (90) working days from the date of the Notice to Proceed (NTP).

Per Division 2, Chapter 2 of the Torrance Municipal Code, the Torrance City Council may reject any and all bids, waive any informality or irregularity in such bids, and determine the lowest responsible bidder.

No facsimile bids shall be accepted by the City.

Bidders are advised that, as required by federal law, the State has established a statewide overall Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal. To provide assistance in meeting the statewide goal, the Agency is including a DBE availability Advisory of 9% in this contract.

Although bidders need not achieve this DBE Availability Advisory as a condition of award, they are encouraged to solicit bids from DBE subcontractors and suppliers.

Substitution of securities for withheld funds is permitted per Section 22300 of the Public Contract Code.

The City has determined that a Class A Contractor's license is necessary to bid this project, but reserves the right to accept another Class at the sole discretion of either the Public Works Director or City Engineer.

Pursuant to Section 1770 et seq. of California Labor Code, the minimum prevailing rate of per diem wages for each craft, classification, or type of workman needed to execute the Contract shall be those determined by the Director of Industrial Relations of the State of California and is available in the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Torrance. Certified payrolls shall be submitted monthly by the contractor hired for this project.

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) provides a toll-free "hotline" service to report bid rigging activities. Bid rigging activities can be reported Mondays through Fridays, between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., eastern time, Telephone No. 1-800-424-9071. Anyone with knowledge of possible bid rigging, bidder collusion, or other fraudulent activities should use the "hotline" to report these activities. The "hotline" is part of the DOT's continuing effort to identify and investigate highway construction contract fraud and abuse and is operated under the direction of the DOT Inspector General. All information will be treated confidentially and caller anonymity will be respected.

By order of the City Council of the City of Torrance, California.

For further information, please contact Lauren Sablan, Associate Engineer, in the Public Works Department at 310-618-6259, lsablan@TorranceCA.gov or Beth Overstreet, Engineering Manager, at 310-618-3074 eoverstreet@torranceca.gov