ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS BID NO. 50-00148234

Sealed Bids will be received electronically through our E-Procurement site at www.jeffparishbids.net until 2:00 p.m., **September 11, 2025** and publicly opened thereafter. At no charge, bidders may submit via Jefferson Parish's electronic procurement page by visiting www.jeffparishbids.net to register for this **free** site.

Bids will be accepted and received through Central Bidding until 2 p.m. The public bid opening will be held at the West Bank Purchasing Department at 200 Derbigny Street, Suite 4400, Gretna, LA 70053 beginning at 2:30 p.m. on each bid opening date for the following project:

BONNABEL SHORE WALKING TRAIL PROJECT-2024-022-CM

The project's primary goal is transforming an underutilized strip of land along the Lake Pontchartrain shore into a distinctive leisurely walk and passive recreation area along the Lake's edge. The walk will focus on pedestrian enhancements, beautification, and informative signage about the cultural history and environment of the lakeshore. Vegetation enhancements and tree cover along the existing sidewalks will create an improved pedestrian environment. Significant enhancements include trees, shrubs, paving, and the location for an iconic sculpture (not in this contract) representing the Lake Pontchartrain shore.

Purchases for this project shall be exempt from state sales and use tax according to La. R.S. 47:301(8)(c)(i). The successful bidder shall be granted the tax-exempt status of Jefferson Parish via Form R-1020, Designation of Construction Contractor as Agent of a Governmental Entity Sales Tax Exemption Certificate. Form R-1020 is distributed by the Louisiana Department of Revenue.

All bids must be in accordance with the contract documents on file with the Jefferson Parish Purchasing Department, Suite 4400, Jefferson Parish General Government Building, at 200 Derbigny Street, Gretna, Louisiana. **Late bids will not be accepted.**

Bid specifications may be obtained by visiting the Jefferson Parish Purchasing Department webpage at http://purchasing.jeffparish.net and selecting the LaPAC Tab. Bids may also be viewed and submitted online free of charge at: www.jeffparishbids.net.

Each Bid must be accompanied by an electronic bid surety bond in the amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total amount bid, and payable without condition to the owner. Vendors must submit an electronic bid bond through the respective online clearinghouse bond management system(s) as indicated in the electronic bid solicitation on Central Auction House. No scanned paper copies of any bid bond will be accepted as part of the electronic bid submission.

The drawings and specifications are on file and open for inspection in the Jefferson Parish Purchasing Department, Suite 4400, Jefferson Parish General Government Building, at 200 Derbigny Street, Gretna, Louisiana. . Geotechnical information related to this project is also on file for review with the Jefferson Parish Purchasing Department. This geotechnical information is for reference **for bidding purposes only**, and may not be representative of the total area of the project as soil characteristics may vary from one place to another. Contractor may be required to conduct their own geotechnical inspection and provide proof of said inspection prior to the start of work. A complete set of Contract Documents may be secured from Architecture/Engineering Firm Dana Brown & Associates, 1836 Valence Street, New Orleans, Phone: 504-345-2639 by licensed contractors upon receipt of \$150.00 per set. Deposit on the first set of documents furnished bona fide prime bidders will be fully refunded upon return of documents in good condition no later than ten (10) days after receipts of bids.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a performance bond guaranteeing faithful performance of the contract. Companies providing the bonds shall comply with the requirements of LA-R.S. 38:2218 and R.S. 38:2219 as applicable.

The Jefferson Parish Council reserves the right to reject all bids and to reject bids for just cause, pursuant to the law. Jefferson Parish and its partners as the recipients of federal funds are fully committed to awarding a contract(s) to firm(s) that will provide high quality services and that are dedicated to diversity and to containing costs. Thus, Jefferson Parish strongly encourages the involvement of minority and/or woman-owned business enterprises (DBE's, including MBE's, WBE's and SBE's) to stimulate participation in procurement and assistance programs.

All prospective bidders are invited to attend the non-mandatory pre-bid conference which will be held on August 21, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at Jefferson Parish Purchasing Department located in the General Government Building 200 Derbigny St. Suite 4400 Gretna, La. 70053. However, failure to attend the pre-bid conference shall not relieve the bidder of responsibility for information discussed at the conference. Furthermore, failure to attend the pre-bid conference and inspection does not relieve the successful bidder from the necessity of furnishing materials or performing any work that may be required to complete the work in accordance with the specification with no additional cost to the owner.

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For additional information, please visit the Purchasing Webpage at http://purchasing.jeffparish.net or you may call 504-364-2678.