

SECTION A: REQUEST FOR BIDS

The City of Chester, SC is soliciting sealed bids from selected qualified Contractors for: **RFB NO: 2024-004, CHESTER FARMERS AND ARTISAN MARKET IMPROVEMENTS.**

Project Description:

The City of Chester is soliciting sealed bids from qualified Contractors for improvements to the existing building for the Farmer's and Artisan Market at 111 Columbia Street, Chester, SC 29706. The interior improvements to the Farmer's and Artisan Market will include flooring installation, ceiling insulation and finishing, installation of HVAC and ducts in the building, window tinting for all exterior windows, removal and replacing of rear rolling-doors, installation of locking swinging doors for kitchen, weather proofing exterior doors, addressing of wooden frames around all windows and possible removal and replacing if necessary to insulate windows, water damage repairs to rear walls of the building, miscellaneous masonry repairs, and caulking where air penetrates the building. The exterior scope will include miscellaneous repairs to the retaining wall, installation of a trench drain at the side door, and an installation of two trench drains of the rear rolling doors. The project will be bid based upon estimated quantities at a unit price and the City of Chester reserves the right to increase or decrease the quantities associated with the project at its discretion and as necessary to perform the work.

Sealed Bids Clearly Marked "RFB NO: 2024-004, CHESTER FARMERS AND ARTISAN MARKET IMPROVEMENTS", with the bidders name, address and South Carolina Contractor's License Number on the outside of the envelope shall be accepted by the City of Chester Office of Procurement, 100 West End Street, Chester, South Carolina 29706, until **9:00 AM, Thursday, May 9, 2024**. Mailed bids are to be delivered to City of Chester, City Administrator, 100 West End Street, Chester, South Carolina 29706, and must be received prior to the time and date indicated above. No bids will be accepted after the above date and time. After closing, the bids will be opened publicly in the Chester City Hall located at 100 West End Street, Chester, South Carolina 29706. **Bid Prices shall remain valid for 60 days following the bid opening.**

Owner

City of Chester
100 West End Street
Chester, SC 29706

Engineer

Dennis a Bowman Company
1800 Huger Street
Columbia, SC 29201

Pre-Bid Conference: A Pre-Bid Conference will be held **on Thursday, April 25, 2024 at 12:00 PM** for this project. The Pre-Bid Conference will be held at the Project Location, located at 111 Columbia Street, Chester, SC 29706. Attendance is not mandatory to submit a bid, but is strongly encouraged.

Bidding Documents, including details and specifications can be delivered electronically in PDF format to prospective Bidders from the office of the Engineer, Dennis a Bowman Company, 1800 Huger Street, Columbia SC 29201, by emailing ccole@denniscorporation.com. Hard copies may also be obtained from the office of the Engineer, for a non-refundable charge of \$15.00 not including shipping (if requested). **Bidders must notify the Engineer in order to receive updates regarding this solicitation.**

Questions concerning the bid documents shall be addressed to Dennis a Bowman Company, Attn: Claire Cole 1800 Huger Street, Columbia, SC 29201, email ccole@denniscorporation.com. All questions must be in writing and received by **5:00 PM on May 2, 2024**.

Bids Will Not Be Considered unless the bidder is legally qualified under the provisions of the South Carolina Contractor's Licensing Law (South Carolina Code of Laws as amended). No bidder may withdraw the bid within 60 business days after the actual date of the opening.

Bids Will Not Be Considered unless sealed and accompanied by a bidder's bond for five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid. Bid bond will be duly executed by the bidder as principal & having as surety thereon a surety company licensed to do business in the State of South Carolina. Successful bidder will be required to furnish a satisfactory performance & payment bond, each in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the bid.

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All Work On The Project Must Be Completed within 60 Days.

The City of Chester Reserves the Right in all cases to reject any and / or all bids, or parts of bids, to waive technicalities, and to make such an award as is deemed in the best interest of the City. The City also reserves the right to waive informalities, to negotiate further with the Contractor of its choice, and to request additional information, to interview and to make an award deemed in its own best interest. All submittals shall become property of the City and is subject to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) regulations.

Malik Whitaker, City Administrator, City of Chester