

INVITATION FOR BIDS

SEALED BIDS

for

Downtown North Augusta Decorative Lighting

for

**North Augusta Tourism Department
495 Brookside Avenue
North Augusta, SC 29841**

will be received by:

City of North Augusta Tourism Department
Attn. Karl Waldhauer
495 Brookside Avenue
North Augusta, South Carolina 29841

803-441-4307

Until **2:00 PM on Tuesday, July 23, 2024** at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read in the presence of all those interested.

The City of North Augusta reserves the right to waive any formalities and to reject any or all bids.

The City of North Augusta Tourism Department will receive BID proposals for providing infrastructure and installing decorative lighting in Downtown North Augusta according to the enclosed specifications.

All formal inquiries relating to this bid should be addressed in writing by Thursday, July 18, 2024 to:

City of North Augusta Tourism Department
Attn: Karl Waldhauer
495 Brookside Avenue
North Augusta, SC 29841
Or
kwaldhauer@northaugustasc.gov

ADDENDA:

In the event that modifications, clarifications, or additions to this bid become necessary, all vendors will be notified by adjustments to the advertisement at www.northaugustasc.gov.

SUBMISSION DATE AND LOCATION:

All bids must be submitted in writing, using the included form, to the office of:

City of North Augusta Tourism Department
Attn. Karl Waldhauer
495 Brookside Avenue
North Augusta, South Carolina 29841

prior to **2:00 PM on Tuesday, July 23, 2024**. All proposals must be in writing in an envelope sealed and clearly marked "Bid for Downtown Decorative Lighting" The City of North Augusta will not be responsible for late mail deliveries, and no bids will be accepted after **2:00 PM on Tuesday, July 23, 2024**.

REJECTION OF BIDS:

The City of North Augusta reserves the right to reject or accept any or all bids, or to take exception to these specifications. Vendors may also be eliminated from consideration for failure to comply fully with these bids specifications.

REVIEW AND EVALUATION PROCESS:

The City of North Augusta will select the vendor on the basis of greatest benefits to the City, not necessarily on the basis of lowest price. The vendor selected must have the necessary resources to provide for complete installation as no advances for payment will be made. The vendor's references, capabilities, commitment, and quality of proposal will be weighted heavily. The Selected Vendor shall purchase a City of North Augusta Business License and any necessary permits prior to commencing work.

PRICE QUOTATIONS:

Price quoted by vendors should be firm prices, not subject to increases during the term of installation and the warranty for both installation and material shall be for 12 months after project completion plus any manufacturer's warranty.

PROPOSAL RESPONSES:

All proposals submitted shall include a letter of transmittal which bears the signature of an authorized representative of the vendor and which also includes the names of individuals authorized to negotiate with the City of North Augusta.

REFERENCES:

A list of companies serviced by the vendor must be made an integral part of this proposal.

INSURANCE AND BONDS:

Vendors shall be fully covered by Workers Compensation, Public Liability of \$1,000,000, and property damage insurance. The selected vendor will be required to provide the City a copy of this insurance naming the City of North Augusta as an "Additional Insured".

CITY OF NORTH AUGUSTA
Tourism Department
Downtown North Augusta Decorative Lighting
BID PROPOSAL

Perspective Vendor:

The Bidder, having fully examined the specifications with related documents and being very familiar with all of the conditions surrounding the construction of the proposed project including the site conditions and the availability of labor and materials, hereby proposes and agrees that, if this proposal is accepted, he will contract with the City of North Augusta to furnish all manpower, equipment, materials, insurance and overhead necessary to complete this project in complete conformance to the project plans and specifications for the following lump sum/unit prices:

\$ _____

The bidder further agrees that all work shall be completed within **60** calendar days of issuance of Notice to Proceed. Any delay beyond this shall be assessed liquidated damages in the amount of \$150.00 per day.

This bid respectfully submitted by:

Name of Company

Signature of Authorized Bidder

Business Address

Phone Number

City, State, and Zip Code

Bid Specifications for Downtown North Augusta Decorative Lighting

The City of North Augusta Tourism Department is accepting **Sealed Bids** from a qualified contractor to provide construction services for a Downtown Lighting Enhancement Project. The project is intended to increase safety and enhance the experience of visitors to Downtown North Augusta by improving lighting in Downtown North Augusta. The project will prioritize a people-focused, high-quality built environment conducive for socializing, participating in the local economy, and enhancing the pedestrian experience.

This project extends through Georgia Avenue (both sides) from the Intersection of Georgia and Clifton Avenues northwards to the intersections of Georgia and Forest Avenues and Carolina and Forest Avenues as demonstrated by the outline below:



1.01 Scope of Work

- Contractor shall furnish all materials and labor for installation.
- Contractor shall supply all necessary equipment necessary for installation including lifts and arrangements for road closure (if deemed necessary).
- Contractor shall safely bury all wiring (rated for underground) and bore under sidewalks as necessary. Contractor may connect to existing power supplies (as approved by City officials) but the City of North Augusta will not supply any necessary transformers, electrical boxes dedicated to lighting, etc. Any upgrades to existing electrical supplies shall be the responsibility of the contractor.
- Contractor shall supply “astronomic” timers to all installed lights that can program lights to engage fifteen minutes prior to official sunset and turn off at a time desired by the owner. These timers shall automatically adjust to daylight savings time throughout the year.
- The area highlighted above contains a variety of existing trees consisting of Crepe Myrtles and hardwoods at differing maturity levels. The City of North Augusta requests that 9,400 Linear Feet of “strand lights” shall be included (as a minimum) to the lighting project for “C9” shatter-proof, fade-resistant style LED bulbs at 15” spacing. It is estimated that each of the trees existing in the area from the Georgia/Clifton Avenue intersection extending northward to the Georgia/Carolina Avenue intersection will absorb approximately 250’-450’ foot strings of C9 lights.
- There are thirteen mature oaks outlining Calhoun Park and lining the streets from the Carolina/Georgia Avenue intersection to Carolina/Forest Avenue & Carolina/Georgia Avenue intersection to Georgia/Forest Avenue at the northernmost section of the project. It is requested that twenty-eight (two per tree) canopy flood lights be placed at the base of each tree at 27W 2700k (warm white) or equivalent. There are also four trees in this area that the city desires to place eight (two per tree) canopy flood lights at the base of each tree at 9W 2700k (warm white) or equivalent. All canopy lights shall be safely anchored.
- It is required that the prospective bidder submit a signed form (page 4 of this document) with the bid submittal to include a lump sum price.
- Prospective bidders should also submit an itemized price sheet to provide clarity of products proposed, quantities and labor prices.
- Prospective bidders should also submit a list of at least three references for projects they have completed of similar magnitude.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

A. **TIME FOR COMPLETION:** The work which the Contractor is required to perform under this contract shall be commenced at the time stipulated by the Owner in the Notice to Proceed to the Contractor and shall be fully completed within **60** consecutive calendar days thereafter.

B. **LIQUIDATED DAMAGES:** The Contractor shall pay to the owner as liquidated damages the sum of \$150.00 for each calendar day that the Contractor shall be in default of completing the work within the time limit named herein.

C. **AVAILABILITY OF CONTRACTOR:** The Contractor shall insure that an employee in a reasonable position with the company will be available to the Owner 24 hours per day, including week-ends, holidays, and during extended shutdown periods. Prior to beginning construction, the Contractor shall furnish the Owner a list of persons, including names, addresses, and telephone numbers. The purpose of this requirement is to enable the Owner to contact the contractor in case of emergencies or other problems that may arise during non-working hours.

D. **LOCAL CODES:** All work under this contract shall be done between 7:00 AM and 7:00 PM, Monday through Saturday, unless otherwise approved in writing by the Owner.

G. **ORDER AND DISCIPLINE:** The Contractor shall at all times enforce strict discipline and good among his employees. Any employees of the Contractor who shall appear to be incompetent, disorderly, intemperate or in any way disqualified for or unfaithful to work entrusted to him, shall be discharged immediately on the request of the Owner, and he shall not again be employed on the work without the Owner's written consent.

H. **CLEANING UP:** The Contractor shall keep the premises free from the accumulation of waste material and rubbish and upon completion of the work, prior to the final acceptance of the completed project by the Owner, he shall remove from the premises all rubbish, surplus materials, implements, tools, etc. and leave his work in a clean condition, satisfactory to the Owner.

General Conditions

A. **Permits and Regulations:** The Contractor shall secure and pay for all permits, licenses and approvals necessary for the execution of this contract. The Contractor shall comply with all laws, ordinances, rules, orders, and regulations relating to the performance of the work and protection of adjacent property.

B. **Contractor's Insurance:** The Contractor shall comply with all Federal, State and Local laws governing compensation insurance and shall procure and maintain adequate public liability and property damage insurance, and shall protect the OWNER from any and all claims resulting in the execution of this contract. Bodily injury and Automotive property damage insurance in the amount of \$500,000 to any one person and subject to the same limit for each person, in an amount of not less than \$1,000,000 on account of one accident must be maintained. Property

damage in an amount not less than \$500,000 for any one damage claim, and in an aggregate amount not less than \$1,000,000 during a period of twelve (12) months must be maintained.

- C. **Indemnity:** The Contractor shall indemnify and save harmless the OWNER from and against all losses and claims, demands, payments, suits, actions, recoveries and judgments of every nature and description made, brought, or recovered against the OWNER by reason of any act or omission of the Contractor, his agents or employees, in the execution of the work or in guarding the same.
- D. **Extra Work:** Without invalidating the contract, the OWNER may order extra or make changes by altering, adding to or deduction from the work and the contract sum will be adjusted accordingly. No claims for extra work or materials shall be allowed unless the work is ordered in writing by the City representative, acting officially for the OWNER, and the price is stated in such order.
- E. **Correction of Work:** The Contractor shall remove, at his own expense, all work or materials condemned by the City Representative, and shall rebuild and replace same without extra charge.
- F. **City's Representative:** The City's Representative in acting as the OWNER'S agent shall give orders and directions contemplated under this contract and specifications relative to the execution of the work. The City's Representative shall determine the amount, quality, acceptability and fitness of the several kinds of work and materials, which are to be paid for under this contract and shall decide all questions which may arise in relation to said work and the construction thereof. The City's Representative estimates and decisions shall be final and conclusive. The City's Representative shall decide all questions which may arise as to the interpretation of the plans and specifications relating to the work.
- G. **Cleaning UP:** The Contractor shall remove from the site, at his own expense, all temporary structures, and rubbish and waste materials resulting from the operation. Suitable waste material may be placed on site as directed by the OWNER.
- H. **Payments to Contractor:** The Contractor shall submit an approved final pay form to the City Representative when the work is completed. Final complete payment shall be made to the Contractor not later than 15 days after the formal acceptance of the completed project by the City's Representative.
- I. **General Guaranty:** The Contractor shall remedy any defects in the work and pay for any damage to other work resulting therefrom, which shall appear within a period of one (1) year from the date of final acceptance of the work. The Contractor shall supply the City of North Augusta, a suitable one (1) year's written guarantee.
- J. **Bonds:** No bid or performance bond is required on this project.
- K. **Acceptance of Bids:** The City of North Augusta reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and to waive any bidding formalities.

- L. **Site Examinations:** The Bidder is required to fully examine the work location to fully acquaint himself with the conditions prior to bid time. All bid prices are to accurately reflect this site examination.