

**TOWN OF OLD SAYBROOK, CONNECTICUT
ROUTE 1 AND ELM STREET SIDEWALKS**

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed Bids for **Route 1 and Elm Street Sidewalks** will be received by the **Town of Old Saybrook** electronically via the internet bidding service or by hard copy via mail at the Issuing Office until **10:00 AM** local time on **Thursday, February 9, 2023**, at which time the Bids received will be opened online. **The Project consists of concrete sidewalk, curbing, bituminous concrete driveway construction, and minor storm drainage construction.**

Bidding Documents are available for free download from the Project's bidding service webpage. To download Bidding Documents: go to the bidding service homepage listed below; select this project's solicitation; sign in and/or register as directed; and select the Bidding Documents for download. A non-refundable \$35 fee to the bidding service is required to submit an electronic Bid. Notify the Issuing Office with questions in this regard. Digital ID is not required for this online bid.

Bidding service homepage: <http://www.bidexpress.com/businesses/27674/home>.

Bids will be received for a single prime Contract. Bids shall be on a lump sum and unit price basis as indicated in the Bid Form.

The Issuing Office is: **Office of the First Selectman, Old Saybrook Town Hall, 302 Main Street, Old Saybrook, Connecticut (860-395-3123).**

Printing Bidding Documents is the responsibility of the prospective Bidder. Printed copies will not be issued by the Town. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for Bidding Documents that differ from documents available from the Project's bidding service webpage.

A pre-bid meeting will be held at **9:00 AM** local time on **Wednesday, January 18, 2023 in the first floor conference room** at the **Issuing Office**. Attendance at the pre-bid conference is encouraged but is not mandatory.

Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Bond in the amount of five percent of the Bid.

The successful Bidder will be required to provide Performance and Payment Bonds each in the amount of one hundred percent of the Contract Price.

The successful Bidder shall comply with the requirements of Prevailing Wage Rate Laws in accordance with Section 31-51 of the Connecticut General Statutes.

The contractor who is selected to perform this State funded project must comply with CONN. GEN. STAT. §§ 4a-60, 4a-60a, 4a-60g, and 46a-68b through 46a-68f, inclusive, as amended by June 2015 Special Session Public Act 15-5.

State law requires a minimum of twenty-five (25%) percent of the state-funded portion of the contract for award to subcontractors holding current certification from the Connecticut Department of Administrative Services ("DAS") under the provisions of CONN. GEN. STAT. § 4a-60g, as amended. (25% of the work with DAS certified Small and Minority owned businesses and 25% of that work with DAS certified Minority, Women and/or Disabled owned businesses.) The contractor must demonstrate good faith effort to meet the 25% set-aside goals.

For municipal public works contracts and quasi-public agency projects, the contractor must file a written or electronic non-discrimination certification with the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities. Forms can be found at http://www.ct.gov/opm/cwp/view.asp?a=2982&q=390928&opmNav_GID=1806.

The Owner is exempt from payment of Sales and Use Taxes on all materials and equipment to be incorporated in the Work. These taxes shall not be included in the Bid.

Any contract or contracts awarded under this invitation for bids are expected to be funded by a grant from the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation. Neither the State of Connecticut nor any of its Departments, agencies, or employees is or will be a party to this invitation for bids or any resulting contract.

Bid preference for local vendors under Section 5.4 of the Code of the Town of Old Saybrook (Ordinances) does not apply to this project because of the conflict with State Guidelines which is the source of funding for this project.

Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirement for all contractors and subcontractors to provide affirmative action to ensure equal opportunity employment as noted in the Governor's Executive Orders 3 and 17.

The bidder agrees that its bid shall be good, capable of being accepted, and may not be withdrawn for a period of ninety [90] days after the opening of bids.

The Town reserves the right to waive any technical defects in the bids; to reject bids which do not conform to the terms and conditions described in the specifications; to reject any, any part of, or all bids; to waive informalities or irregularities in the bidding process; and to accept that bid which the Town deems to be in its best interest, whether or not it is the lowest dollar proposed.

All work to be performed in connection with the proposed project will be subject to all applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances and regulations.

If the Town determines, in its sole discretion, to proceed with the work, the successful bidder must execute and deliver an Agreement, and furnish valid Certificates of Insurance and Payments and Performance Bonds to the Town prior to the start of any work.

It is the responsibility of the bidder to ensure that it has received any and all addendums to this Invitation To Bid prior to submitting a bid.

This Invitation To Bid is not binding on the Town.

This Invitation To Bid has been prepared solely to solicit bids and does not constitute a contract offer.

The Town reserves the right to amend, cancel, postpone, withdraw, or resubmit this Invitation for Bid at any time if it is in the best interest of the Town to do so.

The Town is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Minority/Women Business Enterprises are encouraged to apply.

Owner: Town of Old Saybrook, Connecticut

By: Carl Fortuna, First Selectman

Date: January 11, 2023