

NOTICE INVITING BIDS

The **ESCONDIDO UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT** (“District”) will receive sealed bids for the HVAC Replacement at Hidden Valley, Bid No. 2023-08 at the Purchasing Department Office, 2310 Aldergrove Avenue, Escondido, California 92029 no later than 2:00 p.m. on December 16, 2022, at which time or thereafter said bids will be opened and read aloud. Bids received after this time may be returned unopened.

A mandatory bidder’s conference will be held on December 1, 2022, at 3:00 p.m., for the purpose of acquainting all prospective bidders with the bid documents and the work site. It is imperative that all bidders attend this conference. Failure to attend the conference will disqualify the non-attending bidder from the bid. Bidders will meet at Hidden Valley Middle School, 2700 Reed Road, Escondido, CA 92027. Please notify Julie Collins at (760) 432-2323 or jcollins@eusd.org to confirm attendance at the bidders’ conference.

In accordance with Public Contract Code Section 20111.6, for projects over one million dollars, it is the responsibility of prospective bidders and subcontractors to ensure they are properly prequalified with the District in advance of the bid opening. All prequalification packets are to be submitted to Quality Bidders no later than 2:00 p.m. on December 5, 2022. The prequalification application is available online at www.qualitybidders.com.

Bids must be submitted on the District’s Bid Forms. Each bid must conform and be responsive to the bid documents. Bidders may obtain forms and bid documents from the District’s Purchasing website <https://www.eusd.org/o/eusd/page/business-services-purchasing-contracts> under Current Bids/Requests for Proposals.

Bids must be accompanied by cash, a certified or cashier’s check, or a Bid Bond in favor of the District in an amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the submitted total bid price. Each bid shall also be accompanied by the non-collusion affidavit, the list of proposed subcontractors, and all additional documentation required by the Instructions to Bidders.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish the District with a Performance Bond and a Payment Bond equal to 100% of the successful bid, prior to execution of the Contract. All bonds are to be secured from a surety that meets all of the State of California bonding requirements, as defined in Code of Civil Procedure Section 995.120, and is admitted by the State of California.

Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 22300, the successful bidder may substitute certain securities for funds withheld by District to ensure his performance under the Contract.

The District shall award the Contract for the Project to the lowest responsible bidder as determined from the base bid. However, the District may choose to award the contract on the basis of the base bid alone or the base bid and any alternate or combination of alternates. The time required for completion of the alternate bid items has been factored into the Contract duration and no additional Contract time will be awarded for any of the alternate bid items.

This Project is a public works project and is subject to the payment of prevailing wages. The Director of Industrial Relations has determined the general prevailing rate of per diem wages in the locality in which this work is to be performed for each craft or type of worker needed to execute the contract which will be awarded to the successful bidder, copies of which are available to the

public on the internet at <http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR/> and at the District office. The successful bidder and all subcontractor(s) under him/her shall comply with all applicable Labor Code provisions, which include, but are not limited to the payment of not less than the required prevailing rates to all workers employed by them in the execution of the Contract, the employment of apprentices, the hours of labor and the debarment of contractors and subcontractors.

Each Bidder submitting a bid must be a Department of Industrial Relations registered contractor pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5 ("DIR Registered Contractor"), unless an exception expressly provided in the Labor Code applies. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by DIR. A Bidder who is not a DIR Registered Contractor when submitting a proposal for the work will be initially rejected as the District may not accept any bid proposal that does not satisfy the requirements of Labor Code section 1725.5, and may not enter into any contract for the completion of a public works project with a bidder that is not a DIR Registered Contractor pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5(e). Pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5, all subcontractors identified in a Bidder's Subcontractor List shall also be DIR Registered Contractors. If awarded the Contract, at all times during performance of the work, the Bidder and all Subcontractors of any tier shall be DIR Registered Contractors and continue to comply with all DIR requirements.

Disabled Veteran Contractors are encouraged to submit bids. This bid is subject to Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise requirements.

Each bidder shall be a licensed contractor pursuant to the Business and Professions Code and shall be licensed in the following classifications: C-20 Warm-Air Heating, Ventilating, and Air-Conditioning Contractor.

The District reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bids or in the bidding.

Dated this 15th day of November, 2022

Frank Huston

Clerk, Board of Education
Escondido Union School District
San Diego County, California

Publication: Daily Journal

Publication Dates: November 15, 2022 & November 22, 2022

END OF NOTICE INVITING BIDS