

NOTICE INVITING BIDS

- SUMMARY OF WORK:** This is the City of San Diego's (City) solicitation process to acquire Construction services for **SBWRP Reverse Osmosis System**. For additional information refer to Attachment A.
- CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT:** Prime Contractors must sign and submit a notarized Confidentiality Agreement (Attachment I) prior to being granted access to the Plans and Technical Specifications, and prior to attending the mandatory site visit.

The signed and notarized Confidentiality Agreement must be emailed to the Senior Contract Specialist, Juan E. Espindola at JEEspindola@sandiego.gov, no later than **June 12, 2026, by 10:00 AM**.

The Confidential Plans and Technical Specifications will be provided to Prime Contractors who have submitted a signed and notarized Confidentiality Agreement through PlanetBids prior to the Site Visit.

Contractor shall not disclose the Confidential Information to third parties (including subcontractors and agents) or to employees of Contractor who are not required to have the information for the purpose of bidding on the project. Prime Contractor assumes responsibility for any subcontractors.

For the full confidentiality agreement, please refer to Attachment I.

- FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION:** This solicitation is subject to full and open competition and may be bid by Contractors on the City's approved Prequalified Contractors List. For information regarding the Contractors Prequalified list visit the City's web site: <http://www.sandiego.gov>.
- ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST:** The City's estimated construction cost for this project is **\$19,300,000.00**.
- BID DUE DATE AND TIME ARE:** **July 22, 2026, at 2:00 PM**.
- PREVAILING WAGE RATES APPLY TO THIS CONTRACT:** Refer to Attachment D.
- LICENSE REQUIREMENT:** To be eligible for award of this contract, Prime contractor must possess the following licensing classification: **A**
- PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENT:**

- 8.1.** This work is covered by a Citywide Project Labor Agreement (PLA) entered into by the City of San Diego, the San Diego Building and Construction Trades Council and signatory Craft Unions, included herein as Attachment H.

This work will provide many opportunities for local residents and local small business enterprises to participate. It is the City's policy that contractors will cooperate with all efforts of the City, the Project Labor Coordinator, the Jobs Coordinator, and other organizations retained by the City to encourage and assist in the participation of Local, Targeted and/or Veteran workers.

8.2. LETTER OF ASSENT. The Contractor and all subcontractors agree to be bound by the PLA by submitting a Letter of Assent (PLA Attachment B) to the City's Project Labor Coordinator. The Contractor shall submit its Letter of Assent as a condition of award and all subcontractors shall submit their Letter of Assent before commencing any Work on the Project.

8.3. PRE-JOB CONFERENCE. Each contractor, regardless of tier, is required to conduct a pre-job conference with the Unions not later than ten (10) calendar days prior to commencing work.

The Prime Contractor is responsible for facilitating and scheduling their own pre-job conferences and for facilitating, scheduling, and ensuring that all its subcontractors conduct a pre-job conference.

8.4. JOBS COORDINATOR. The Contractor will be required to hire a Jobs Coordinator, an independent third-party individual, entity or employee with whom the Prime Contractor enters into a contract or employs to assist the Contractor with achieving and exceeding the Local Worker goals set forth in the PLA, Article 4, Section 4.5, to assist with fulfilling the Work Opportunities Program as set forth in Article 22, and to assist with Helmets to Hardhats participation as set forth in Article 23.

Each subcontractor, regardless of tier, shall utilize the Jobs Coordinator retained by the Prime Contractor, pursuant to the PLA, Article 22 Section 22.2 (f). The Contractor shall submit a Jobs Coordinator Designation Form as a condition of award.

9. SUBCONTRACTING PARTICIPATION PERCENTAGES: Subcontracting participation percentages apply to this contract.

9.1. The City has incorporated **mandatory** SLBE-ELBE subcontractor participation percentages to enhance competition and maximize subcontracting opportunities. For the purpose of achieving the mandatory subcontractor participation percentages, a recommended breakdown of the SLBE and ELBE subcontractor participation percentages based upon certified SLBE and ELBE firms has also been provided to achieve the mandatory subcontractor participation percentages:

1. SLBE participation	0.4%
2. ELBE participation	2.2%
3. Total mandatory participation	2.6%

9.2. The current list of Certified SLBE/ELBE Firms to be used for outreach for this project is posted to the Documents tab on PlanetBids.

9.3. The Bid may be declared non-responsive if the Bidder fails to meet the following requirements:

9.3.1. Attending the Pre-Bid Meeting.

9.3.2. Attending the Pre-Bid Site Visit.

9.3.3. A signed and notarized Confidentiality Agreement.

9.3.4. Include SLBE-ELBE certified subcontractors at the overall mandatory participation percentage identified in this document; **OR**

9.3.5. Submit Good Faith Effort (GFE) documentation, saved in searchable Portable Document Format (PDF), demonstrating the Bidder made a good faith effort to conduct outreach to and include SLBE-ELBE Subcontractors as required in this solicitation by 5PM 3 Working Days after the Bid opening if the overall mandatory participation percentage is not met.

All submittals in searchable PDF shall be submitted electronically within the prescribed time identified in the contract documents via PlanetBids by invitation to the point of contact named in the bid provided by the Contract Specialist to all bidders.

10. PRE-BID MEETING:

10.1. ONLINE PRE-BID MEETING:

Prospective Bidders are **REQUIRED** to attend the Pre-Bid Meeting.

Failure to attend the Pre-Bid Meeting will result in the Bidder's Bid being deemed non-responsive.

Bidders will not be admitted after the specified start time of the Meeting.

The Pre-Bid Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, June 2, 2026**, at **11:00 AM** (PDT) at:

Microsoft Teams meeting

Join: <https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/277371801590524?p=ftKSKBeRPKqkG8szPh>

Meeting ID: 277 371 801 590 524

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Please Note: You will need to join the meeting with a computer, tablet or smartphone with the **Microsoft Teams** in order to sign in via the Chat feature as attendance at the meeting will be evidenced by the Chat sign-in. The Chat feature will also be used for attendees to ask any questions.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the scope of the Project, submittal requirements, and any Equal Opportunity Contracting Program requirements and reporting procedures.

Upon entering the meeting, all attendees must use the chat feature to sign in with the following information: Name of firm, Attendee's name, Phone number and Email address.

- 10.2. PRE-BID SITE VISIT:** All those wishing to submit a Bid are **MUST** visit the Work Site with the Engineer. The purpose of the Site Visit is to acquaint Bidders with the Site conditions. To request a sign language or oral interpreter for this visit, call the Purchasing & Contracting Department, Public Works Division at (619) 533-3450 at least 5 Working Days prior to the meeting to ensure availability. Failure to attend the Mandatory Pre-Bid Site Visit may result in the Bidder's Bid being deemed non-responsive.

To be admitted into the Site Visit, Contractors must have submitted a signed and notarized Confidentiality Agreement. The Pre-Bid Site Visit is scheduled as follows:

Time: 9 AM
Date: June 30, 2026
Location: 2411 Dairy Mart Rd, San Diego, CA 92154
Meeting at Operations Building Conference Room

11. AWARD PROCESS:

- 11.1.** The Award of this contract is contingent upon the Contractor's compliance with all conditions of Award as stated within these documents and within the Notice of Intent to Award.
- 11.2.** Upon acceptance of bids and determination of the apparent low bidder, the City will prepare the contract documents for execution within approximately 21 days of the date of the bid opening. The City will then award the contract upon receipt of properly signed Contract, bonds, and insurance documents.
- 11.3.** This contract will be deemed executed and effective only upon the signing of the Contract by the Mayor or his designee and approval as to form by the City Attorney's Office.
- 11.4.** The low Bid will be determined by the Base Bid.
- 11.5.** Once the low Bid has been determined, the City may, at its sole discretion, award the contract for the Base Bid alone.

12. SUBMISSION OF QUESTIONS:

- 12.1.** The Director (or Designee) of the Purchasing & Contracting Department is the officer responsible for opening, examining, and evaluating the competitive Bids submitted to the City for the acquisition, construction and completion of any public improvement except when otherwise set forth in these documents. Any questions related to this solicitation shall be submitted to:
Juan E. Espindola at JEEspindola@sandiego.gov
- 12.2.** Questions received less than 14 days prior to the date for opening of Bids may not be considered.
- 12.3.** Questions or clarifications deemed by the City to be material shall be answered via issuance of an addendum and posted to the City's online bidding service.
- 12.4.** Only questions answered by formal written addenda shall be binding. Oral and other interpretations or clarifications shall be without legal effect. It is the Bidder's responsibility to be informed of any addenda that have been issued and to include all such information in its Bid.