NOTICE TO BIDDERS AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Y Avenue Water Main Looping

City of Sumner, Iowa Public Improvement Project

Public Hearing on Proposed Contract Documents and Estimated Costs for Improvement

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the City of Sumner on the proposed contract documents (plans, specifications, and form of contract) and estimated cost for the improvement at its meeting at **6:30 PM** on **November 16, 2026**, in the **City Council Chambers, City Hall, 105 East 1st Street** for the **Y Avenue Water Main Looping** project.

Time and Place for Filing Sealed Proposals

Sealed bids for the work comprising the improvements as stated below must be filed before **2:00 PM** according to the clock in City of Sumner **City Hall, 105 East 1st Street** on the **12th day of November, 2026** at the reception desk in said **City Hall**. Bids received after the deadline for submission of bids as stated herein shall not be considered and shall be returned to the late bidder unopened.

Time and Place Sealed Proposals Will be Opened and Considered

Sealed proposals will be opened and bids tabulated at **2:00 PM** on **November 12, 2026**, in said **City Hall, 105 East 1st Street** for consideration by the City Council of City of Sumner, Iowa at its meeting on **November 16, 2026,** at **6:30 PM**, in the **City Hall Council Chambers**. The City Council may award a Contract at said meeting, or at such other time and place as shall then be announced.

Commencement of Work

Work on the improvement shall be commenced any time after a written Notice to Proceed is issued and shall be completed as stated below in the Completion of Work Section. The Notice to Proceed will be issued after formal agreement, which is expected to occur in **the ~~Fall~~ Spring of 2027.**

Contract Documents

A copy of said plans, specifications, and form of contract, and estimated total cost is now on file in the office of the **City Clerk** and may be examined at City of Sumner, 105 East 1st Street.

An electronic copy of the Contract Documents is available at www.QuestCDN.com or www.msa-ps.com under Bidding. Downloads of the Contract Documents require the user to register for a free membership for no cost. Project information, estimated total cost, and plan holder information is available for no cost at the same link. Reference number **#10364718.**

Effective July 1, 2010, per Senate File 2389 Iowa Code Chapter 26.3, paper copies of the BIDDING DOCUMENTS may be obtained at the office of MSA Professional Services, Inc., ***6045 Rockwell Drive NE, Suite A, Cedar Rapids, IA 52402*** upon receipt of a refundable deposit of $75.00 for a half size (11" x 17") sets of plans. Any plan holder upon returning the BIDDING DOCUMENTS within 14 days after award of the project and in good condition will be refunded their deposit. Mailing costs for paper copies will be paid for by the Requestor. You must call 515-964-1920 in advance to reserve a paper copy.

Preference of Products and Labor

By virtue of statutory authority, preference will be given to products and provisions grown and coal produced within the State of Iowa, to the extent lawfully required under Iowa statutes.

In accordance with Iowa statutes, a resident bidder shall be allowed a preference as against a nonresident bidder from a state or foreign country if that state or foreign country gives or requires any preference to bidders from that state or foreign country, including but not limited to any preference to bidders, the imposition of any type of labor force preference, or any other form of preferential treatment to bidders or laborers from that state or foreign country. The preference allowed shall be equal to the preference given or required by the state or foreign country in which the nonresident bidder is a resident. In the instance of a resident labor force preference, a nonresident bidder shall apply the same resident labor force preference to a public improvement in this state as would be required in the construction of a public improvement by the state or foreign country in which the nonresident bidder is a resident.

Failure to submit a fully completed and accurate Bidder Status Form with the Proposal may result in the Proposal being deemed non-responsive and may result in the Proposal being rejected.

General Nature of the Public Improvement

Y AVENUE WATER MAIN LOOPING

The Y Avenue Water Main Looping project is generally located along Y Avenue, stretching from East 1st Street to East 13th Street. This new water main will create a loop, improving water quality, as well as include 8 services to property owners on Y Avenue.

The construction improvements include the construction of approximately 4,520 LF of trenched 6" water main, 460 LF of trenchless 6" water main, 8 water service connections, 5 fire hydrant assemblies, 6 valves, 2 connections to existing water main, 20 LF of 8" sanitary sewer removal and replacement, 390 LF of trenched storm sewer ranging from 12" to 36" in diameter, 151 SY of full depth HMA pavement patches, 417 SY of granular driveway and 86 SY of HMA driveway. Other associated improvements include fittings, traffic control, erosion control, surface restoration, and miscellaneous work necessary to complete the project.

The alternate bid includes approximately 4,520 LF of trenched 8" water main and 460 LF of trenchless 8" water main as opposed to 6" water main. Other associated modifications include the replacement of 6" valves and fittings with 8" equivalents as necessary to complete the project. All other project components remain unchanged from the base bid.

Bid Security

Each Bidder shall accompany its bid with bid security as defined in Iowa Code Section 26.8, as security that the successful Bidder will enter into a Contract for the work bid upon and will furnish after the award of Contract a corporate Surety Bond, in a form acceptable to the City of Sumner, for the faithful performance of the Contract, in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the amount of the Contract. The Bidder's security shall be in the amount of 10% of the total bid amount including all alternates, as fixed in the Instructions to Bidders, and shall be in the form of a cashier's check or a certified check drawn on an FDIC insured bank in Iowa or on an FDIC insured bank chartered under the laws of the United States; or a certified share draft drawn on a credit union in Iowa or chartered under the laws of the United States; or a Bid Bond on the form provided in the Contract Documents with corporate Surety satisfactory to the City of Sumner. The bid shall contain no condition except as provided in the specifications.

The City of Sumner reserves the right to defer acceptance of any bid for a period of sixty (60) calendar days after receipt of bids and no bid may be withdrawn during this period.

Performance, Payment, and Maintenance Bond

Each successful Bidder will be required to furnish a corporate Surety Bond in an amount equal to one hundred percent (100%) of its Contract price. Said Bond shall be issued by a responsible Surety approved by the City of Sumner and shall guarantee the faithful performance of the Contract and the terms and conditions therein contained and shall guarantee the prompt payment of all material and labor, and protect and save harmless the City of Sumner from claims and damages of any kind caused by the operations of the Contract and shall also guarantee the maintenance of the improvement caused by failures in materials and construction for a period of **four (4)** years from and after acceptance of the Contract.

Title VI Compliance

The City of Sumner, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, Subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

Payment

Payments will be made on the basis of estimates prepared by the Contractor and approved by the Engineer, solely for the purpose of payment; approval by the Engineer, or the City Council, shall not be deemed as approval or acceptance of the workmanship or materials. The Contractor will be compensated for 97% of the work completed during a payment period, with the remaining 3% being retained in accordance with the Iowa Code. Regular payments approved by the Engineer will be made following the next scheduled City Council meeting. The retainage payment will be released following acceptance of the project by the City of Sumner and the provisions stipulated in the Iowa Code.

Sales Tax Exemption

The City of Sumner will issue a sales tax exemption certificate to the Contractor for all material purchased for incorporation into the project. Tax exemption certificates are applicable only for the specific project for which the tax exemption certificate is issued. The Contractor also must file appropriate lien waivers before final payment will be released.

State Revolving Fund

This project is being funded through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) and requires additional documentation to be completed and submitted. Item No. 2 shall be completed by each bidder. Information is located in “Proposal Attachment #2: SRF Required Front-End Documentation”. This project must comply with federal Davis-Bacon regulations. This means all construction workers must be paid Davis-Bacon wages and those wages will be verified by checking weekly payrolls. Prevailing wages for this project are located in “Proposal Attachment #4: Prevailing Wage Rates”.

CDBG Funding Requirements

This project is being funded through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and requires additional documentation to be completed and submitted. Item No. 3 shall be completed by each bidder. Information is located in “Proposal Attachment #3: CDBG Required Front-End Documentation”. This project must comply with federal Davis-Bacon regulations. This means all construction workers must be paid Davis-Bacon wages and those wages will be verified by checking weekly payrolls. Prevailing wages for this project are located in “Proposal Attachment #4: Prevailing Wage Rates”.

Completion of Work

The Contractor shall substantially complete the project by no later than **July 23, 2027**. Substantially complete shall be defined as all utility and grading construction being completed, with the **new infrastructure being tested and put into service, including water main, water service crossovers and new streets, driveways, and sidewalks fully open to traffic**. Should the Contractor fail to substantially complete the work in this timeframe, liquidated damages of **$1,000.00 per calendar day** will be assessed for work not completed within the designated Contract term(s).

No work requiring inspection will be allowed on Saturdays or Sundays except with permission of the Engineer.

The Contractor shall fully complete the project by no later than **August 27, 2027.** Fully complete shall be defined as all surface restoration being completed, and all improvements being ready for final acceptance. Should the Contractor fail to fully complete the work in this timeframe, liquidated damages of **$500.00 per calendar day** will be assessed for work not completed within the designated Contract term(s).

The City of Sumner does hereby reserve the right to reject any or all bids, to waive informalities, and to enter into such contract, or contracts, as it shall deem to be in the best interest of the City.

This Notice is given by authority of the City Council of the City of Sumner, Iowa.

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