TOWNSHIP OF WEST WINDSOR MERCER COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals addressed to the Business Administrator will be received on or before **Tuesday**, January, 31, 2023, at 12:30 pm, prevailing time, at which time they will be opened and read at the West Windsor Township Senior Center located in the Municipal Complex, 271 Clarksville Road, Princeton Junction, New Jersey for the work described below. Bid packages submitted prior to the day of the bid opening shall be submitted to the Administration Department in the Municipal Complex. The Township encourages prospective bidders to submit their sealed proposals prior to January, 31, 2023 via certified mail or overnight delivery along with requiring a signature. West Windsor is not responsible for bids which are sent for delivery and not received by a Township employee. At conclusion of the public bid opening and after review from Municipal personnel, the bid results along with the pertinent documents of the apparent three low bid submissions will be scanned and posted on the Municipal Website within 48 hours, www.westwindsornj.org.

Specifications, plans and bid documents will be available on or after Friday, December 16, 2022, at 10:00 am, and may be examined from the Administration Department located in the West Windsor Township Municipal Building during the hours of 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday excluding holidays or obtained upon a non-refundable deposit of \$30.00 per set. Please follow instructions posted at the front entrance of the Municipal Building if picking up and/or reviewing the bid packages in person as they will direct you on the proper procedure for maintaining physical distancing requirements. The only acceptable methods of payment are cash or a physical check and/or money order. Check shall be made payable to West Windsor Township. Scanned checks are not acceptable. Mailed checks must include a request for documents with the name of the requested solicitation, as well as the Company Name, Mailing Address, Telephone & Facsimile Numbers as well as Contact Person's Name & Email Address. A FedEx number must be provided in order for West Windsor to ship the documents. Cash payments must be submitted in the exact amount.

Bids must be submitted on the prescribed form, in a sealed envelope marked:

Bid Proposal <u>2023 Public Land Maintenance – Cul de Sac Islands and</u> <u>Street Tree Maintenance and Replacement</u>

The work under this contract includes the furnishing of all labor, material and equipment necessary or required to complete all work set forth in the contract documents.

The Base Bid includes annual maintenance for approximately 130 cul de sac and traffic landscape islands including weed prevention and removal, mulching, mowing and pruning; removal and replacement of approximately 60 street and open space trees; removal and replacement of approximately 75 shrubs; and pruning or stump grinding of approximately 75 trees.

A bid deposit in the form of a certified check, cashier's check, or bid bond made payable to the Township of West Windsor in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total amount of the bid, but not to exceed \$20,000.00, must accompany each proposal as a security, which may be forfeited and retained by the Township in lieu of its other legal remedies, if a successful bidder's proposal is accepted by the Township and he shall fail to execute and return to the Township the required contract and/or bonds within ten (10) days after delivery of the prepared contract and/or bond form to him by the Township.

The Township Council reserves the right to reject all proposals in whole or in part or to waive minor informalities as may be permitted by law.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, C. 127 and N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27.

Marlena Schmid Business Administrator West Windsor Township