SECTION A. NOTICE TO BIDDERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received at Ceres City Hall Annex, 2220 Magnolia Street, Ceres, California 95307 until **2:00 P.M. local time on Tuesday, November 15, 2016**, for furnishing all labor, material, tax, transportation, equipment, and services necessary for the work entitled:

2016 SEWER REHABILITATION PROJECT

Bid forms for this work are included in the Bid Book entitled:

2016 SEWER REHABILITATION PROJECT

Bids shall be submitted in sealed envelopes on the forms provided in the Bid Book. Envelopes shall be addressed to the City of Ceres, 2220 Magnolia Street, Ceres, CA, 95307 and delivered to the Engineering Services Department by **2:00 P.M. local time on Tuesday, November 15, 2016** at which time the Bids will be publicly opened and read.

A-1. Description of Work

The proposed work shall be performed in accordance with the plans, specifications and other contract documents and shall consist of the following General work description:

Relining approximately 1,625 LF of 8" sewer main, 4,158 LF of 6" sewer main, and re establish 147 sewer laterals. TV survey of the existing sewer mains is available upon request.

A-2. Obtaining Contract Documents

Plans, specifications and other contract documents may be examined and/or obtained at the office of the Engineering Services Department, 2220 Magnolia Street, Ceres CA., 95307. A copy of bid documents may be obtained at the Engineering Services Department upon request with a non-refundable payment of $50.00. Please contact the Engineering Services Department at (209) 538-5792 for obtaining contract documents. Plans and Specifications may also be obtained electronically through: hhtp://ciplist.com at no cost.

Plans, specifications and other contract documents may also be examined at the following locations:

- Fresno Builder's Exchange
- Valley Builder's Exchange
- Stockton Builder's Exchange
- Sacramento Regional Builder's Exchange
- Merced Builder's Exchange
- Placer County Builder's Exchange

A-3. Submission of Proposals

All proposals must be submitted not later than the time prescribed. The bidder is wholly responsible to see that the bid is submitted at the time and place designated for the opening of bids. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered and shall be returned unopened. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the scheduled time for opening bids.

Each bid must conform and be responsive to this notice and shall be made on the official forms furnished in the Bid Book. Hand delivered bids on the day of the bid opening shall be delivered to the address set forth above. Mailed bids must be received by the City prior to the hour and date of the bid opening.

A-4. Bidder's Bond

Each bid must be sealed and accompanied by cash, a cashier's check, certified check or bid bond, executed on the prescribed form, in an amount not less than ten (10) percent of the total bid price payable to the City of Ceres.

The cash, cashier's check, certified check or bid bond shall be given as a guarantee that the successful bidder will enter into a written contract within ten (10) calendar days after being requested to do so and will be considered as the stipulated amount of liquidated damages in the event the bidder is unable to or refuses to execute a contract for the work. All Bidder's bonds will be held until the Contract has been finally executed, after which all Bid bonds, other than any bond or securities which have been forfeited, will be returned to the respective bidders.

The bidder's bond shall conform to the bond form in the Bid book for the project and shall be properly filled out, executed and **must be notarized by both the contractor and surety**.

Bidders are hereby notified that in accordance with the provisions of Public Contracts Code section 22300, securities may be substituted for any monies, which the City may withhold pursuant to the terms of this Contract to ensure performance. If the bidder elects to provide a bid bond, the bond shall be furnished by a company that is authorized and licensed by the Insurance Commissioner as an "admitted surety insurer."

A-5. Contractor's License

The successful bidder must possess a current *Class A* Contractor's License issued by the State of California and must be licensed from contract award through Contract acceptance.

A-6. Contract Bonds

The successful bidder shall furnish a payment bond and a performance bond. Each bond is to be executed in a sum equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price. City Staff will certify that the certificate of authority of the insurer has not been surrendered, revoked, canceled, annulled, or suspended, or in the event that is has, that renewed authority has been granted within 10 calendar days of the insurer's receipt of the certificate shall be required.

The bidder's bond shall conform to the bond form in the Bid book for the project and shall be properly filled out, executed and **must be notarized by both the contractor and surety**.

A-7. Rejection of Bids

The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Any bid not conforming to the intent and purpose of the Contract documents may be rejected. The City reserves the right to make all awards in the best interest of the City.

A-8. Prevailing Wages

Pursuant to Section 1773 of the Labor Code, the general prevailing wage rates in the county, or counties, in which the work is to be done have been determined by the Director of the California Department of Industrial Relations. These wages are set forth in the General Prevailing Wage Rates for this project, available at the California Department of Industrial Relations' Internet web site at http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR/PWD. Copies of the prevailing wage rates are on file with and available upon request from the Engineer. Future effective general prevailing wage rates, which have been predetermined and are on file with the California Department of Industrial Relations are referenced but not printed in the general prevailing wage rates. It shall be mandatory for the Contractor and any subcontractor under him to pay not less than the specified rates to laborers and workmen employed by them in the execution of the Contract.

By order of the City Council of the City of Ceres, State of California

CITY OF CERES

CITY CLERK _____

Diane Nayares-Perez

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