NOTICE INVITING SEALED BIDS FOR ALLEY IMPROVEMENTS - 2026 IN THE CITY OF PARAMOUNT PROJECT NO. 9634

Public notice is hereby given that the City of Paramount, as AGENCY, invites sealed bids for the above-stated project and will receive such bids in the office of the City Clerk, 16400 Colorado Avenue, Paramount, California 90723 up to the hour of **10:00 am on Thursday, December 4, 2025**, at which time they will be publicly opened.

A pre-bid meeting is scheduled for **November,17 2025 at 10 AM**. This meeting will be held virtually. This meeting is to inform bidders of project requirements and subcontractors of subcontracting and material supply opportunities. Bidders' attendance at this meeting is mandatory. All bidders are required to attend. Meeting invitations will be sent to individuals listed on the plan holder's list. To be added to this list, please email Ms. Ingrid Holly at inholly@paramountcity.com during normal business hours.

Copies of the Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents are available electronically (PDFs) at no cost. The bid documents may be obtained by sending an email request to Ms. Ingrid Holly at iholly@paramountcity.com during normal business hours.

Any contract entered into pursuant to this Notice will incorporate the provisions of the State Labor Code. Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1773.2 of the Labor Code of the State of California, the minimum prevailing rate of per diem wages for each craft, classification, or type of workman needed to execute the contract shall be those determined by the Director of Industrial Relations of the State of California, which are on file at the City Hall, City of Paramount and are available to any interested party on request.

Attention is directed to the provisions of Section 1777.5 (Chapter 1411, Statutes of 1968) and 1777.6 of the Labor Code concerning the employment of apprentices by the Contractor or any such subcontractor under him. Affirmative action to ensure against discrimination in employment practices on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, religion, or handicap will also be required.

The AGENCY will deduct a 5-percent retention from all progress payments as specified in Section 9-3.2 of these Specifications. The Contractor may substitute an escrow holder surety of equal value to the retention. The Contractor shall be beneficial owner of the surety and shall receive any interest thereon.

The AGENCY hereby affirmatively ensures that minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this notice and will not be discriminated against on the basis of race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, religion, or handicap in any consideration leading to the award of contract.

In entering into a public works contract or a subcontract to supply goods, services, or materials pursuant to a public works contract, the Contractor, or subcontractor offers and agrees to assign to the awarding body all rights, title, and interest in and to all cases of action it may have under Section 4 of the Clayton Act (15 U.S.C. Section 15) or under the Cartwright Act (Chapter 2 [commencing with Section 16700] of Part 2 of Division 7 of the Business and Professions Code), arising from purchases of goods, services, or materials pursuant to the public works contract or the subcontract. This assignment shall be made and become effective at the time the awarding body tenders final payment to the Contractor without further acknowledgment by the parties.

Bids must be prepared on the approved proposal forms in conformance with the Instructions to Bidders and submitted in a sealed envelope plainly marked on the outside.

The bid must be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check or by bidder's bond issued an "admitted surety insurer," made payable to the AGENCY for an amount not less than 10 percent of the amount bid.

No bid will be accepted from a Contractor who has not been licensed in accordance with the provisions of the Business and Professions Code. The successful Contractor and his subcontractors will be required to possess business licenses from the AGENCY.

All bidders shall be licensed in accordance with provisions of the Business and Professions Code and shall possess a State Contractor's License, Class "A" (General Engineering), at the time of bid submittal. The successful Contractor and his subcontractors will be required to possess business licenses from the AGENCY.

Effective January 1, 2015, in order to be awarded and to perform work on public works projects, prime contractors and subcontractors must possess and maintain registration with the Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) at https://efiling.dir.ca.gov/PWCR. This is a separate requirement from the Contractors State License Board (CSLB) licensing requirement. See the Special Provisions for additional details.

Notice is hereby given to Contractor that Chapter 34 of the Paramount Municipal Code dealing with false claims of contractors provides for an administrative debarment action for submitting a false claim subjecting Contractor to a potential five (5) year debarment upon finding that Contractor knowingly submitted a false claim as further set forth in Chapter 34. Failure to abide by the provisions of Chapter 34 may lead to a disqualification of the Contractor as an irresponsible bidder and resultant prohibition of Contractor, from bidding as a Contractor, Subcontractor or Consultant for a period up to five (5) years in the City of Paramount. Bidder must affirm that neither bidder, nor any officer or controlling interest holder of bidder is currently, or has been previously, on any debarred bidders list maintained by the United States Government.

The AGENCY reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any irregularity, and to take all bids under advisement for a period of 90 days.

SECTION 3 REQUIREMENTS: This is a HUD Section 3 construction contract. Contractors and subcontractors must address the Section 3 employment work hours benchmarks for Section 3 Workers and Targeted Section 3 Workers as established by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development at 24 CFR Part 75.

PREVAILING WAGE REQUIREMENTS: This is a federally assisted construction contract. Federal labor standards provisions outlined in the HUD-4010 form, including the prevailing wage requirements of the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts (DBRA), will be enforced. The applicable Federal wage decision is the one in effect ten (10) days prior to bid opening; it is included in these specifications and is available online at https://sam.gov/content/wage-determinations. In the event of a conflict between the Federal and State wage rates, the higher of the two will prevail. The State wage rates are available online at http://www.dir.ca.gov/DLSR/PWD/index.htm. Lower State wage rates for work classifications not specifically included in the Federal wage decision are not acceptable.

APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM: Attention is directed to Sections 1777.5, 1777.6, and 1777.7 of the California Labor Code and Title 8 of the California Administrative Code, Section 200, et seq., to ensure compliance and complete understanding of the law regarding apprentices.

Minority and Women Owned Business: Bidders will be required to document their status as a Minority Business Enterprise (MBE), a Women-owned Business Enterprise (MBE) or a non-MBE/WBE firm. Bidders that are not MBE/WBE firms will be required to make a good faith effort, and to document their efforts to include firms as part of the contract bid.

Conflict of Interest: In the procurement of supplies, equipment, construction, and services, the conflict of interest provisions in 2 CFR 200.318 shall apply. No employee, officer, or agent may participate in the selection, award, or administration of a contract supported by a Federal award if he or she has a real or apparent conflict of interest. Such a conflict of interest would arise when the employee, officer, or agent, any member of his or her immediate family, his or her partner, or an organization which employs or is about to employ any of the parties indicated herein, has a financial or other interest in or a tangible personal benefit from a firm considered for a contract. The officers, employees, and agents of the non-Federal entity may neither solicit nor accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from contractors or parties to subcontracts.

Build America, Buy America: The construction services performed pursuant to this contract are subject to the Build America, Buy America Act (BABA) requirements under Title IX of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act ("IIJA"), Pub. L. 177-58. Absent an approved waiver, all iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in this project must be produced in the United States, as further outlined by the Office of Management and Budget's Memorandum M-22-11, Initial Implementation Guidance on Application of Buy America Preference in Federal Financial Assistance Programs for Infrastructure, April 18,2022. By submitting a bid, Contractor hereby certifies they are familiar with all laws and regulations that may affect cost, progress, and performance of the work, including BABA requirements. A copy of the contractor self-certification form is included in the Bid Document.

BY ORDER OF the City of Paramount, California.