

**INVITATION TO BID
FOR
THE CONSTRUCTION OF**

**The Town of Hilton Head Island
2016 Beach Renourishment Project**

Receipt of Bids

The Town of Hilton Head Island is soliciting sealed bids from qualified dredging contractors for the construction of a beach restoration project. Contract Documents Volume I (Project Manual) and Volume II (Drawings) for the Town of Hilton Head Island 2016 Beach Renourishment Project shall be used as the primary basis for developing bids. Sealed bids are due by 2:00 PM, September 16, 2015. Sealed bids should be hand carried or delivered by traceable means to the Town receptionist at One Town Center Court, Hilton Head Island, SC 29928. All bids must be clearly marked on the outside with the following IFB: 2015-0023 “Town of Hilton Head Island 2016 Beach Renourishment Project” bids will be opened at Town Hall at 2:10 PM.

A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at the Town of Hilton Head Island, South Carolina Town Hall on Thursday, September 3, 2015 at 1:30 PM. Bids will not be considered from those contractors who do not attend the mandatory pre-bid conference. Project plans and all associated bid documents will be available at this conference.

The bids must not be removed from, but must be kept bound with, the Project Manual. Herein, the word “Owner” or “Town” interchangeable refer to the Town of Hilton Head Island, SC.

General Description of Work

The project work shall, in general, include the following described construction:

- The dredging, transport, and placement of approximately 2.0 million cubic yards of beach compatible sand from two offshore borrow areas. Sand will be placed along five discrete shoreline reaches totaling about 45,000 feet in length. The shoreline reaches are located along the Atlantic Ocean and Port Royal Sound shorelines of Hilton Head Island, SC.
- All associated items including permit compliance; environmental protection; surveys; safety and security measures; tilling and final grading; and property restoration.

Contract Documents (Volumes I and II)

Copies of the Contract Documents (Volumes I and II) may be inspected at the following location: Town of Hilton Head Island, One Town Center Court, Hilton Head Island, SC 29928; Telephone: (843) 341-4776.

Copies of Contract Documents required for bidding purposes may be obtained only from the offices of Olsen Associates, Inc., 2618 Herschel St., Jacksonville, FL, 32204, after August 19, 2015, upon payment of One Hundred Fifty dollars (\$150.00) for each set of documents so obtained. Payment includes shipment by U.S. Mail only. Checks should be made payable to Olsen Associates, Inc. The payment for Contract Documents is not refundable. Shipment of the documents shall be by First Class mail unless arrangements for express delivery have been made at the bidder's expense.

Bid Security

Each bid shall be accompanied by a certified or cashier's check or a bid bond, satisfactory and payable to the Town of Hilton Head Island, SC in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the highest price quoted for the three Bid Options (base bid plus alternates) as a guarantee that the bidder will within ten (10) days after the date of the award of the Contract execute an agreement and file bonds and insurance as required by the Contract Documents.

If an intended awardee fails to execute and file an agreement, bonds, and insurance as required by the Contract documents, the amount of the security submitted with his proposal shall be forfeited. At the option of the Owner, however, the extent of damages to the Owner and the extent of the Contractor's responsibility shall not be limited to the amount of the security submitted with the proposal.

License

The bidder is not required to be a licensed general contractor within the State of South Carolina. Prior to commencement of work, however, the selected Contractor, and any associated subcontractors, will be required to obtain business licenses from the Town of Hilton Head Island to operate within the Town's Corporate Limits. Please contact Lori Schmidt with the Town's business license office at (843) 341-4609.

Holding of Bids

No bid shall be withdrawn, modified, or canceled without the consent of the Owner for a period of ninety (90) days after the time designated for receipt of bids. The bid securities of all bidders, except those submitted with the three (3) lowest acceptable bids, will be returned within fifteen (15) days after the time of opening bids. Each bid security accompanying the three (3)

lowest acceptable bids may be held by the Owner until a construction Contract has been executed and satisfactory Payment and Performance Bonds in the sum of the full amount of the Contract have been delivered to the Town of Hilton Head Island, SC.

Insurance

Each bid shall be accompanied by a letter from the bidder's insurance representative, certifying that said insurer has read the insurance requirements as set forth in the General Conditions of the Contract and will issue the required policies, if the Contract should be so awarded.

Award of Contract

The award of the Contract will be made by the Town of Hilton Head Island, SC to the lowest responsible, responsive bidder. Responsible bidder will be defined as one who furnishes satisfactory evidence that he has the requisite experience, capability, financial resources, facilities, and plant to enable him to prosecute the work successfully and within the time specified in the Contract Documents. At a minimum, a responsible bidder shall have provided the required bid bond, have the capability of meeting the construction bonding and insurance requirements, and be in compliance with Federal, State, and local laws, regulations, and Permits applicable to the project.

The Town reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids and waive formalities as a result of this invitation for bids. The Town also reserves the right to negotiate with all qualified bidders, or to cancel in part or in its entirety this invitation for bids if it is in the best interest of the Town to do so.

This solicitation does not commit the Town to award a contract or to pay for any costs incurred in the preparation of bids; or to procure or contract for any articles of goods or services.

Bids must be signed by a corporate officer authorized to bind the bidder, and shall contain a statement that the bid is good for a period of at least 90 days from the date of the bid opening.

The Town does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or in the provision of goods and services.

The Contract Documents (Volume I (Project Manual) and Volume II (Drawings)) were prepared by Olsen Associates, Inc. of Jacksonville, FL.