

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Per City Ordinance 2003-1313, effective March 23, 2004, all companies wishing to bid on Public Works and Engineering street and bridge construction projects (projects preceded by an “N” in the CIP) shall be required to have on file with the Director of PW&E a valid Certificate of Responsibility to bid on or be awarded any City street or bridge construction or improvement project.

For purposes of this ordinance, a valid Certificate of Responsibility is a valid Prequalification Approval Letter issued by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) stating that a bidder is qualified to bid on state highway improvement contracts pursuant to 43 Texas Administrative Code, Section 9.12, as it may be amended from time to time. For information on prequalifying with TxDOT, please see TxDOT’s website www.dot.state.tx.us/business/prequalifyinfo.htm or call 512.416.2540. A list of presently prequalified firms is also available from this website.

Under certain circumstances, the Director may waive the requirement for prequalification. Such a waiver will be set forth in the bid specifications published for the project. The Director may choose to do so under the following conditions:

- (a) The engineer’s estimate for the project is \$300,000 or less,
- (b) The contract is exempt from the requirements of competitive bidding pursuant to Section 252.022 of the Local Government Code,
- (c) The delay caused by requiring bidders to obtain Certificates of Responsibility will deprive the City of revenue from the affected property; will cause the City to lose grant funds, or will lead to further serious deterioration of the property, or
- (d) The project requires specialized methods or expertise not widely available in the contracting community.