LEGAL NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners for Lake County, Ohio at their office in the Lake County Administration Center, 105 Main Street, 5th Floor, Suite 513, Painesville, Ohio 44077 (contact 440-350-2751 or 440-350-2979 with any questions regarding the new location); up to the hour of 11:00 AM Local Time on Wednesday, August 14, 2024, and read publicly thereafter in the Commissioners' Chambers at the above address, for the following improvement project:

<u>Lake County 100 West Erie Street Office Renovations (Future Public Defender's Office)</u> Engineer's Estimate of Cost – \$950,000

The work covered by the plans and specifications includes: all the necessary work, not limited to furnishing all materials, labor, tools, and equipment necessary to perform all general, HVAC, plumbing and electrical work to complete the Project, complete and ready for operation in accordance with the Contract Documents. Site work and utilities will be performed under a separate contract.

All work under this contract shall be completed within 180 Days of Notice to Proceed.

Said improvements shall be in accordance with specifications and proposal forms on file with the Clerk of the Board of Lake County Commissioners. Prospective Bidders must purchase a Bidder's Package (1 full size set (22"x34") of plans and 1 specification book) for \$150.00, exclusive of shipping charges, from the Office of Northeast Blueprint, 1230 East 286th Street, Cleveland, Ohio 44132 (www.northeastblueprint.com), in order to be considered a BIDDER. PAYMENT FOR PACKAGES AND ADDITIONAL PLANS AND SPECIFICATION BOOKS WILL NOT BE REFUNDED. Checks shall be made payable to Northeast Blueprint.

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held on **Wednesday, July 31 at 1:00 PM** at 100 W Erie St., Painesville, OH 44077.

Bids shall be submitted in a sealed envelope and addressed to the Board of Lake County Commissioners, Lake County Administration Center, 105 Main Street, 5th Floor, Suite 512, Painesville, Ohio 44077, Attention Jennifer Bell, and marked "<u>Lake County 100 West Erie Street Office Renovations (Future Public Defender's Office)".</u>

Inquiries must be submitted in writing to Monica Lowry, Burgess and Niple, at monica.lowry@burgessniple.com. The deadline for questions shall be **5:00 PM, August 7, 2024.**

Pursuant to R.C. 153.54, the bid must be accompanied by an original sealed document in the form of a bond for the full amount (100%) of the bid, **OR** by a certified check, cashier's check, or irrevocable letter of credit equal to ten percent (10%) of the amount bid, drawn on a solvent bank located in Lake County and payable to the Treasurer of Lake County, Ohio, as surety that if the bid is accepted, a contract will be entered into and its performance properly secured. Should any bid be rejected said surety shall forthwith be returned to the bidder and should any bid be accepted such bid bond, certified check, cashier's check, or letter of credit will be returned to the bidder upon proper execution and securing of the contract.

No bidder shall be considered lowest and best or eligible to be awarded the contract to which this Notice or Bid Specifications apply if the bidder is listed on the Auditor of State's Database as having a "Finding of Recovery" as that term is defined in R.C. 9.24.

Bids shall be subject to the conditions that the right is reserved to hold bids for a period not longer than sixty (60) days after date of bid opening and/or to award the contract at any time during said period.

The successful bidder will be required to execute the contract within ten (10) days after the award of the work to him/her, and he/she shall furnish acceptable bond or surety, if not filed previously to the satisfaction of the County of Lake, Ohio for the faithful performance of said contract in the sum of one hundred percent (100%) of the total amount of the bid. In case of failure to execute the contract as stated or to furnish bond and/or surety, the bidder shall be considered to have abandoned the contract and is then liable for the difference between his/her bid and the next lowest bid, not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the amount bid.

The County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any and all informalities, and to disregard all non-conforming, nonresponsive or conditional bids, or to increase or decrease or omit any item or items, to waive any and all informalities, and to disregard all nonconforming, nonresponsive or conditional bids. R.C. 153.011 may apply. Each bid must contain the full name of every party or all parties submitting the proposal. Each bidder must submit evidence of its experience on projects of similar size and complexity. All contractors and subcontractors shall comply with the equal employment opportunity requirements of Ohio and federal law, the Governor's Executive Order of 1972, and the Governor's Executive Order 84-9, when applicable. The contract shall be awarded to the lowest and best bidder.

Wage Rates – Each employee employed by the contractor or any subcontractor and engaged in work on the project under this contract shall be paid prevailing wage rates for Public Improvements as provided by the appropriate Sections of the Ohio Revised Code. For further information, contact OBES Wage and Hour Division at 614-644-2239 or contact the Lake County Prevailing Wage Coordinator at 440-350-2770. This shall occur regardless of any contractual relationship which may be said to exist between the contractor or any subcontractor and such employee.

Bidders may also access this Legal Notice to Bidders via the internet at www.lakecountyohio.gov, click on Legal
Notices to Bidders in the middle of this page to link to the Legal Notice site, and on the Ohio Newspaper Association public notices website, www.publicnoticesohio.com.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS in and for Lake County, Ohio.

John T. Plecnik, President John R. Hamercheck, Commissioner Richard J. Regovich, Commissioner

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