

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID

Project Name: Path and Drainage Improvements – Keay Nature Center

Notice is hereby given to potential Bidders that the Wilmette Park District (the “District,” “Park District” or “Owner”) will receive sealed bids for the above referenced Project until 10 am on Friday, September 2, 2022. This will be a virtual bid opening.

Emails containing bid shall have “Sealed Bid – Path and Drainage Improvements – Keay Nature Center” in the subject line. **Hard copy bids will not be accepted.**

Bids are due by email to jhagenow@gha-engineer.com on Friday, September 2, 2022 at 10:00 AM. A public bid opening will take place immediately. The bids will be read during a live, online meeting hosted by the Engineer.

Bidders wishing to participate in the meeting should email jhagenow@ghan-engineers.com no later than 3:00 PM on Thursday, September 1, 2022 to receive an invitation and instructions. The Engineer will not provide technical support or additional instructions on connecting to or attending the meeting.

Bids are available from Gewalt Hamilton Associates, Inc on Thursday, August 18, 2022. Bid packets may be obtained from the Engineer’s website at <http://www.gha-engineers.com/bidding-info>. This link will take Bidders to the Gewalt Hamilton Associates QuestCDN landing page and will display all available projects. The download cost for this project is \$20. Please contact QuestCDN at [952-233-1632](tel:952-233-1632) or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital information. Hard copies of the bid documents may also be viewed at no cost or obtained for a non-refundable fee of \$150 at Gewalt Hamilton Associates, Inc., 625 Forest Edge Drive, Vernon Hills, Illinois, 60061 (phone number [847-478-9700](tel:847-478-9700)).

The project consists of installation of an aggregate path at existing grade around the park, installation of pavers, and small grading and drainage improvements.

The District reserves the right to waive all technicalities, to accept or reject any or all bids, or to accept only portions of a bid and reject the remainder without disclosure for any reason. Failure to make such a disclosure will not result in accrual of any right, claim or cause of action by any Bidder against the District. Owner will award the Contract to the lowest most responsible and responsive Bidder, as determined by Owner. In considering the Bidder’s responsibility, the Owner may evaluate, among other factors, the ability of the Bidder to provide experienced labor sufficient in numbers to timely and properly complete the Work, the financial capability of the Bidder, and the performance of the Bidder on other projects.

Bids shall not include federal excise tax or state sales tax for materials to be incorporated in, or totally consumed in the prosecution of the Work. A tax exemption certificate will be furnished

by the Park District at the request of the Bidder. The Park District's tax exemption number shall only be used by the successful Bidder for the Work of this Project only.

After the bid opening, no bid may be withdrawn or canceled for a period of (60) calendar days.

The Work of this Project is subject to the Illinois *Prevailing Wage Act*, 820 ILCS 130/0.01 *et seq.* A prevailing wage determination has been made by the Park District, which is the same as that determined by the Illinois Department of Labor for public works projects in Cook County. The Contract entered into for the Work will be drawn in compliance with said law and proposals should be prepared accordingly and provide for payment of all laborers, workmen, and mechanics needed to perform the Work at no less than the prevailing rate of wages (including the prevailing rate for legal holiday and overtime work as applicable) for each craft, type of worker, or mechanic.

All bids must be accompanied by cashier's check, certified check, or bid bond payable to the order of the Wilmette Park District for ten percent (10%) of the amount of the bid as provided in the Instructions to Bidders. No proposals or bids will be considered unless accompanied by such bond or check.

The Contractor(s) selected will also be required to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules, regulations and executive orders, including but not limited to those pertaining to equal employment opportunity.

By Order Of:

Board of Park Commissioners
Wilmette Park District
August 17, 2022