

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND LETTING

A public hearing will be conducted on the proposed plans and specifications, the proposed form of contract and estimated cost for the Courthouse Addition, Emmet County Courthouse, Estherville, Iowa at a meeting of the County Board of Supervisors (the County) to be held in the **County Board Room, 609 1st Ave. N,** Estherville, Iowa 51334 at **10:00 A.M.**, on the **12th of March 2024**, at which time and place any person may appear and file any opinion and express their view to the proposed plans, specifications and form of contract and estimated costs for the Project, both orally and in writing.

Sealed bids will be accepted for the construction of the Courthouse Addition, Emmet County, Estherville, Iowa. Sealed bids will be received on behalf of the County at the Project site, 609 1st Ave. N, Estherville, Iowa 51334, in the **County Board Room at 2:00 P.M., on the 5th of March 2024**. Bids received after this time will not be accepted. All bids shall be made on official bid forms furnished by the Architect and must be enclosed in a separate sealed envelopes and plainly identified and addressed to the County. If a bid is to be mailed, the bid envelope shall be sealed in a regular mailing envelope. FAX and E-mail Bids will not be accepted. The bidder shall bear sole responsibility for ensuring any bid is received at the correct bid location and by the correct time. The County shall have no responsibility regarding the location or timeliness of the receipt of any bid(s). Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud following the closing of the above bid submission deadline.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a bid bond, certified check, cashier's check or certified share draft in a separate sealed envelope, clearly marked "Bid Bond" or Bid Security", in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the total amount of the bid. The certified or cashier's check shall be drawn on a bank in Iowa or a bank chartered under the laws of the United States of America or the certified share draft shall be drawn on a credit union in Iowa or chartered under the laws of the United States and payable to Emmet County. Said check or share draft may be cashed, or the bid bond forfeited as liquidated damages in the event the successful bidder fails or refuses to enter into a contract within ten (10) days of issuance of a Notice of Award and post bond satisfactory to the County insuring the faithful fulfillment of the contract and maintenance of said improvements as required by law. The bid bond should be executed by a corporation authorized to contract as a surety in the State of Iowa and must not contain any conditions either in the body or as an endorsement thereon. Bids received will be acted upon at such later time and place as may then be established. The successful bidder will be notified after The Council awards the contract.

Contract documents may be examined at the office of the Architect, Cannon Moss Brygger & Associates, PC, d/b/a CMBA Architects, 505 Grand Avenue, Spencer, Iowa 51301, or obtained from the Architect for a \$250 refundable deposit. Contract documents may also be examined at the following Building Exchanges:

1. Sioux City Construction League, 3900 Stadium Drive, Sioux City, IA 51106.
2. Plains Builder's Exchange, 220 N. Kiwanis Ave., Sioux Falls, SD 57104.
3. Sioux Falls Builder's Exchange, 1418 C Ave., Sioux Falls, SD 57104.
4. North Iowa Builder's Exchange, 15 W. State Street, Mason City, IA 50401.
5. Greater Fort Dodge Growth Alliance, 24 N. 9th Street, Fort Dodge, IA 50501.
6. Omaha Builder's Exchange, 4159 S. 94th Street, Omaha, NE 68127.
7. Master Builders of Iowa, 221 Park Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50309.

The County reserves the right to reject any and all proposals, re-advertise for new bids and to waive informalities that may be in the best interest of the County.

The successful bidder will be notified on or after March 12th, 2024, after the proposals have been reviewed by the Architect and a recommendation as to the lowest responsible bidder has been made to Emmet County and accepted by the Board.

Plans and specifications governing the construction of said proposed improvements have been prepared by Cannon Moss Brygger & Associates, PC, d/b/a CMBA Architects 505 Grand Avenue, Spencer, Iowa, 51301, which plans and specifications referring to and defining said proposed improvements are hereby made a part of this notice and the proposed contract shall be executed to comply therein.

PRE-BID CONFERENCE will begin at the Project site, 609 1st Ave N., Estherville, Iowa 51334, in the **Building Site** on **20th of February, 2024 @ at 2:00 PM**. All interested contractors, sub-contractors, and material suppliers are encouraged to attend. The Owner, Architect and Consulting Engineers will be present to describe the Project and answer questions. Attendance is not mandatory, but is recommended.