
NOTICE TO BIDDERS

A NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed Bid Packets will be received by the Borough of Ship Bottom located in the County of Ocean, State of New Jersey on **Wednesday, October 8, 2025 at 10:00 AM** prevailing time at the Borough of Ship Bottom located at 1621 Long Beach Boulevard, Ship Bottom, New Jersey 08008 at which time and place the Bid Packets will be publicly unsealed and its contents announced in public for the JOHN J. GULD RECREATION AREA IMPROVEMENTS.

The scope of Work contemplated for the above-named Project generally includes construction of one (1) new ADA accessible pickleball court at John J. Guld Recreation Area, including concrete perimeter curbing, perimeter fencing and associated improvements. It also includes various Alternate Bids for the repair and re-color coating of two (2) existing tennis courts, reconstruction of the existing bocce ball court, new storage garage, repair and re-color coating of two existing shuffleboard courts, new ADA complaint water bottle station at the park, and reconstruct existing horseshoe pits as well as all other Work of any type or description necessary for contemplation of the Project, whether or not specifically described in these Contract Documents.

All Base Bid Scope of Work on this Contract shall be completed within **Sixty (60)** Calendar Days from Notice of Award, for all Base Bid Scope of work, other than final general surface restoration and color coating of the new pickleball court, which must be completed by May 15th, 2026. All Alternate Bid Scope of Work, if Awarded by the Township, shall be completed by May 15th, 2026.

Contract Documents and Plans for the proposed Work, which have been prepared by Charles P. Cunliffe, P.E., of the firm of T&M Associates, are available at the office of said Engineer at 1144 Hooper Avenue, Suite 202, Toms River, NJ, 08753 and may be inspected by prospective Bidders during business hours.

Bidders will be furnished with a copy of the Contract Documents upon proper notice and payment of a non-refundable charge of Seventy Five Dollars (\$75.00) payable to "T&M Associates" at the offices of T&M Associates to defray the cost thereof.

The provided Bid Packet must be completed in the manner designated in the Contract Documents, must be enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the name and address of the Bidder and the name of the Project on the outside and must be addressed to the Borough Administrator of the Borough of Ship Bottom. Also, Bid Packets must be accompanied by a Statement of Consent of Surety from a surety company holding a Certificate of Authorization to do business in the State of New Jersey and either a Bid Bond or a Certified Check drawn to the order of "Borough of Ship Bottom" for not less than ten percent (10%) of the total bid price amount, except that the check shall not exceed \$20,000.00. The successful Bidder is hereby notified that a Performance and Payment Bonds for the full amount of this Project is required.

The award of the Contract for this Project will not be made until the necessary funds have been provided by Borough of Ship Bottom in a lawful manner. By virtue of Executive Order #34 (1976), vendors currently suspended, debarred or disqualified are excluded from participating on this Project.

The successful Bidder shall be required to comply with the applicable statutory requirements of the Contract Documents and Plans which include all of the following: (i) **N.J.A.C. 17:27**; (ii) **N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq.**; (iii) **Business Registrations** (N.J.S.A. 52:32-44); (iv) **Prevailing Wage Act** (N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25, et seq.); (v) **Public Work Contractor Registration** (N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.48); and (vi) **Affirmative Action Requirements** (N.J.S.A. 10:5-1, et seq.); and any other legal requirements applicable to this Project.

Borough of Ship Bottom intends to award this Project to the lowest responsible and responsive Bidder in accordance with applicable law. The Borough of Ship Bottom reserves the right to reject any and all Bid Packets to the extent permitted by law. An award will be made, or Bid Packets will be rejected within sixty (60) Calendar Days after the opening of the Bid Packets, during which time the Bid Packets shall be irrevocable and unavailable to withdraw by Bidders, unless otherwise extended in the Contract Documents.

BY ORDER OF KATHLEEN FLANAGAN, BOROUGH ADMINISTRATOR

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