



March 24, 2021

**NOTICE OF BID
BL038-21**

The Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners is soliciting competitive sealed bids from qualified contractors for the **Construction of the Sensory Treehouse at the Environmental & Heritage Center** for the Gwinnett County Department of Community Services.

Bid submittal date and location

Bids should be typed or submitted in ink and returned in a sealed container marked on the outside with the BL# and Company Name. Bids will be received until **2:50 P.M. local time on April 21, 2021** at the Gwinnett County Purchasing Division, 75 Langley Drive, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30046. Any bid received after this date and time will not be accepted. Bids will be publicly opened and read at 3:00 P.M. Apparent bid results will be available the following business day on our website www.gwinnettcounty.com.

On-Site Pre-Bid Conference

A pre-bid conference is scheduled for 11:00 a.m. on **April 6, 2021** at the Gwinnett County Environmental & Heritage Center, 2020 Clean Water Drive, Buford, GA 30519. All contractors are urged to attend.

Project Description

Construction of a large steel reinforced structure composed one (1) large terminal deck and four (4) smaller elevated docks connected by an elevated aluminum decking boardwalk.

Safety Protocol

During the on-site pre-bid conference and the bid opening, we ask that you wear a mask and practice social distancing.

Instructions on Submitting Questions

Questions regarding bids should be directed to **Shelley McWhorter, CPPB, Purchasing Associate III**, at shelley.mcwhorter@gwinnettcounty.com or by calling 770-822-8734, no later than 3:00 P.M. on **April 9, 2021**. Bids are legal and binding upon the bidder when submitted. All bids should be submitted in duplicate.

To view plans: a complete set of plans and documents are available for viewing at the Gwinnett County Purchasing office (plans, documents & plan holders list are NOT distributed by Purchasing).

To obtain plans and/or plan holders list: A complete set of plans and documents as a pdf may be obtained at no cost from Foresite Group, Anthony Pappas, 3740 Davinci Court, Suite100, Peachtree Corners, GA 30092, phone 770-368-1944, email GSbids@fg-inc.net.

THE PLAN-HOLDERS LIST IS AVAILABLE FROM Foresite Group

Bonding and Insurance

All contractors must submit with bid, a bid bond, certified check or cashier's check in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total bid. **Failure to submit a bid bond with the proper rating will result in the bid being deemed non-responsive.** Successful contractor will be required to meet insurance requirements, submit a one hundred percent (100%) performance bond and a one hundred percent (100%) payment bond. Insurance and Bonding Company should be licensed to do business by the Georgia Secretary of State, authorized to do business in Georgia by The Georgia Insurance Department, listed in the Department of Treasury's Publication of Companies holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Surety on Federal Bonds and as acceptable reinsuring companies. **The bid bond, payment bond, and performance bond must have an A.M. Best rating of A-6 or higher.**

Facility Access

Gwinnett County does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission or access to its programs or activities. Any requests for reasonable accommodations required by individuals to fully participate in any open meeting, program or activity of Gwinnett County Government should be directed to Susan Canon, Gwinnett County Justice and Administration Center, 770-822-8165.

The written bid documents supersede any verbal or written prior communications between the parties.

Award will be made to the contractors submitting the lowest responsive and responsible bid. Gwinnett County reserves the right to reject any or all bids to waive technicalities and to make an award deemed in its best interest. Bids may be split or awarded in entirety. Gwinnett County reserves the option to negotiate terms, conditions and pricing with the lowest responsive, responsible bidder(s) at its discretion.

Award notification will be posted after award on the County website, www.gwinnettcounty.com and companies submitting a bid will be notified via email.

We look forward to your bid and appreciate your interest in Gwinnett County.



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