



November 08, 2023

**NOTICE OF BID**  
**Harris Elementary School Fire Flow Improvements**  
**BL162-23**

The Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners is soliciting competitive sealed bids from qualified contractors for the **Harris Elementary School Fire Flow Improvements**.

**Bid submittal date and location:**

Sealed bids will be received by the Gwinnett County Department of Financial Services - Purchasing Division-2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 75 Langley Drive, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30046 until **2:50 P.M. local time on December 19, 2023** and then publicly opened and read aloud at 3:00 P.M. Any bid received after 2:50 P.M. will not be accepted. Bid envelope must be marked on the outside with Bid Number, name of Bidder, date and time of opening. Contractor providing the utility work must have a current valid Utility Contractors License.

**Project Description:**

Project Description: Replacement of approximately 7,100 linear feet (LF) of existing water mains, including 6-inch cast iron pipe (CIP) and asbestos cement pipe (ACP), with new 12-inch and 16-inch ductile iron pipe (DIP) along Duluth Highway (State Route 120) and Claiborne Drive. The section along Duluth Highway will be 5,800 LF of 12-inch and 16-inch DIP. The section along Claiborne Drive will be 1,300 LF of 12-inch DIP. Includes branch connections and tie-in's, abandoning existing parallel water mains, service line reconnections, traffic control, erosion control and site clean-up, all other work required to complete the project.

**View Construction Drawings and Specifications at the following locations:**

**Gwinnett County Dept. of Financial Services**  
Purchasing Division – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
75 Langley Drive  
Lawrenceville, GA. 30046

**Barge Design Solutions**  
Ashley Glass  
6525 The Corners Parkway, Suite 450  
Peachtree Corners, GA 30092  
615-254-1500  
Bidding.Bargedesign.com

Gwinnett County Dept. of Water Resources  
684 Winder Highway  
Lawrenceville, GA 30046

**Obtain Construction Drawings and Specifications**

Drawings and Specifications must be purchased from Barge Design Solutions through the online purchasing system at [bidding.bargedesign.com](http://bidding.bargedesign.com) for a non-refundable fee of \$50.00 for a digital copy or \$200.00 for a hardcopy. Only complete sets will be issued.

**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 Barge Design Solutions, Ashley Glass, 6525 The Corners Parkway, Suite 450, Peachtree Corners, GA 30092, 615-254-1500, [Bidding.Bargedesign.com](http://Bidding.Bargedesign.com).

**THE PLAN-HOLDERS LIST IS AVAILABLE FROM BARGE DESIGN SOLUTIONS**

**Special Conditions:**

The Gwinnett County Department of Water Resources shall comply with O.C.G.A § 36-91-20 as amended for mandatory pre-qualification of prospective bidders. This notice is **ONLY** for bidders that have already prequalified under the Annual Prequalification of Contractors for Installation, Replacement and/or Relocation of Pressurized Water Mains and Appurtenances, Subsection 2 - Medium 16" to less than 24".

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For contractors interested in pre-qualification, the Annual Pre-Qualification Application must be completed and submitted to the Gwinnett County Department of Financial Services - Purchasing Division-2nd Floor, 75 Langley Drive, Lawrenceville, Georgia 30046 or submitted via email to [Brittany.Bryant@GwinnettCounty.com](mailto:Brittany.Bryant@GwinnettCounty.com). Contractor must be pre-qualified prior to the first date of the advertisement. You may download the Prequalification Application at [www.GwinnettCounty.com](http://www.GwinnettCounty.com) or contact Brittany Bryant at [BRITTANY.BRYANT@GWINNETTCOUNTY.COM](mailto:BRITTANY.BRYANT@GWINNETTCOUNTY.COM) and ask that an application be sent to you. Depending on the scope and complexity, individual projects may require pre-qualification, independent of the annual pre-qualification process.

NOTE: Bids submitted by contractors who have not been prequalified under the Annual Prequalification of Contractors for Installation, Replacement and/or Relocation of Pressurized Water Mains and Appurtenances, Subsection 2 - Medium 16" to less than 24" WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

**Pre-bid Date and Location:**

A pre-bid conference is scheduled for **10:00 A.M. on December 01, 2023** at the Bill Head Funeral Home Parking Lot address 3088 Duluth Hwy, Duluth, GA 30096. All interested parties are urged to attend. The pre-bid conference is to be utilized by contractors and subcontractors to ask any questions in order to submit a bid for this project. All bidders are strongly urged to attend.

**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 the ADA Coordinator, Gwinnett County Justice and Administration Center, 770-822-8165.

**Safety Protocol/BYOPPE**

During the on-site pre-bid conference, Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) shall be worn. PPE includes but is not limited to ANSI Class 2 or 3 safety vests, Class E hard hats, ANSI approved eye protection, safety toe boots and hearing protection where required. Bring your own PPE. (NOTE: PPE is not required inside the administrative building)



THINK SAFE, WORK SAFE, BE SAFE

**Instructions on Submitting Questions**

Questions regarding bids should be submitted to Brittany Bryant, Purchasing Associate II at fax 770-822-8728, or email [Brittany.Bryant@gwinnettcounty.com](mailto:Brittany.Bryant@gwinnettcounty.com) **no later than 3:00 p.m. local time, December 08, 2023.** Bids are legal and binding upon the bidder when submitted.

**Bonding and Insurance:**

All Bidders are required to submit a Bid Bond or a certified check made payable to the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners in the amount of five percent (5%) of the total amount bid. The Bid Bond or certified check must be enclosed in the envelope with the sealed bid. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a contract Performance Bond and Payment Bond, each in the sum of 100% of the total amount bid and provide insurance coverage as required by the contract documents.

Bonding Company should be licensed to do business in Georgia, 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 the Treasury's Publication of Companies Holding Certificates of Authority as Acceptable Surety on Federal Bonds and as Acceptable Reinsuring Companies and must have an A.M. Best rating of A-VI or higher.

All bonds should be submitted on forms provided by Gwinnett County and agencies providing bonds and insurance should provide proof that they meet the criteria outlined in the bid and contract documents.

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**Bid Withdrawal:**

No Bidder may withdraw his Bid within sixty (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

**Liquidated Damages:**

Bidder agrees to complete the Contract awarded within the "allowable calendar days for completion" from the date of the "Notice to Proceed" and he further agrees that the Owner may retain from the monies which may become due the amount of \$500.00 (Substantial)/ \$500.00 (Final) for each and every day that the completion of the work may be delayed.

Bids in the case of Corporations not chartered in Georgia, must be accompanied by proper certification stating that said Corporation is authorized to do business in the State of Georgia.

The County will award the Contract to the lowest "qualified" bidder, subject with the Owner's right to reject any or all bids, to waive technicalities, and to make an award deemed in its best interests. With limited response, Gwinnett County reserves the right to extend the solicitation opening date as appropriate in order to assure a competitive procurement process.

**CONSECUTIVE CALENDAR DAYS FOR COMPLETION:  
420 (Substantial) / 450 (Final)**

**GWINNETT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**