

City of Portsmouth  
Portsmouth, New Hampshire  
Department of Public Works

## **Market Street Downtown Sidewalk Project**

### **INVITATION TO BID**

**Sealed** bid proposals, **plainly marked, Market Street Downtown Sidewalk Project**, Bid Proposal #47-08 **on the outside of the mailing envelope as well as the sealed bid envelope**, addressed to the Finance/Purchasing Department, City Hall, 1 Junkins Avenue, Portsmouth, New Hampshire, 03801, will be accepted until **April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at 2:00pm**; at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

This project consists of the removal and replacement of the sidewalks on Market Street in downtown Portsmouth. The project includes brick sidewalk and installation of downtown lights. Also included is curb relocation and resetting, striping, paving and drainage work. Work may begin at any time on or after April 14, 2008. All sections of the work shall be completed by June 13th, 2008. Liquidated damages shall be assessed at \$1000.00 per day.

The Contractor will be required to keep sidewalks passable for the public to the degree possible. Because of this, the Contractor will need to phase the project and complete sections of sidewalk within three weeks of original disturbance. The Contractor will also be responsible for ensuring that the public will be able to access the different businesses and residences at all times.

There will be a mandatory **on-site** pre-bid meeting on March 28, 2008 at 10:00 AM. Bidders and the City will meet on site.

The General Contractor for this project must be Pre-qualified with NHDOT for Road Construction work. All electrical work on this project, including conduit, will be installed under the supervision of a New Hampshire Licensed Electrician. An electrical permit is required prior to any project work being completed. Any unforeseen plumbing and natural gas work will be completed by a New Hampshire Licensed Plumber. An experienced pipe installation foreman will be required for the installation of street and sidewalk drains.

The General Contractor will be permitted to subcontract portions of the work not to exceed an aggregate dollar value of 50% of the total contract bid amount.

Bidders must determine the quantities of work required and the conditions under which the work will be performed.

The City reserves the right, after bid opening and prior to award of the contract, to modify the amount of the work in the event that bids exceed budgeted amounts. The City of Portsmouth further reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive technical or legal deficiencies, to re-bid, and to accept any bid that it may deem to be in the best interest of the City. Also, the City reserves the right to approve or deny subcontractors for this project.

Each Bidder shall furnish a bid security in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the bid. The Bid Security may be in the form of a certified check or a bid bond executed by a surety company authorized to do business in the State of New Hampshire, made payable to the City of Portsmouth, N.H.

Questions may be directed to and specifications may be obtained from the Finance/Purchasing Department on the third floor at the above address, or by calling the Purchasing Clerk at 603-610-7227. Specifications may also be obtained from the City's website [www.cityofportsmouth.com](http://www.cityofportsmouth.com).