

TOWNSHIP OF MONTCLAIR

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received by an authorized representative of the Township of Montclair 205 Claremont Avenue, Montclair, New Jersey 07042 in the County of Essex, and State of New Jersey on February 4, 2026 at 3:00 pm prevailing time, and then publicly opened and read aloud for:

BID NO. 26-06

UPPER MOUNTAIN AVENUE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT
TOWNSHIP OF MONTCLAIR, ESSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

The Township of Montclair is soliciting bids for the Upper Mountain Avenue Water Main project.

The work contemplated under this Contract shall be completed on or before 90 calendar days after Notice to Proceed. Electronic copies of plans, specifications, and contract documents are available free of charge and may be obtained by sending an email request to Rebecca Martinez, remartinez@gftinc.com. Print copies may be obtained at GFT, 2 EXECUTIVE DRIVE, SUITE 100, MARLTON, NEW JERSEY, upon payment of \$175.00 (checks made payable to GFT) after January 5, 2026 at 12:00 PM said sum not refundable, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. prevailing time, Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. Questions regarding the project should be directed to Rebecca Martinez at 856.332.7732 or remartinez@gftinc.com.

Bids shall be made upon the prescribed forms, furnished with the Contract Drawings and Specifications, including the non-collusion affidavit and ownership statement compliance form, and must be accompanied by a Consent of Surety and a certified check, cashier's check, or Bid Bond of not less than ten (10%) percent of the amount bid and, not to exceed \$20,000.00. Such checks and Bonds shall be made payable to the Owner and will be held as a Guarantee that in the event the Bid is accepted, and a Contract awarded to the bidder, the Contract shall be duly executed, and its performance properly secured. The successful bidder shall furnish and deliver to the Owner a performance and payment bond in the amount of 100 percent of the accepted bid amount as security for the faithful performance and payment of the Contract. Further, the successful bidder must furnish the policies or Certificates of Insurance required by the Contract. In default thereof, said checks and the amount represented thereby will be forfeited to the aforesaid Owner as liquidated damages. Bids must be accompanied, in the case of corporations not chartered in New Jersey, by proper certificate that such corporation is authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey.

Pursuant to P.L. 2019, c.406, a contractor that is debarred from contracting with a federal government agency, along with any affiliates of the debarred contractor, is now prohibited from contracting for "public work" with any State or local government entity. This prohibition applies to all entities subject to the Local Public Contracts Law or Public-School Contracts Law, as well as to county colleges.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq. and N.J.A.C. 17:27 regarding equal employment opportunity, as amended. All corporations and partnerships must comply with Chapter 33, of the P.L. of 1977, regarding disclosure of partners and stockholders. Each bid must be enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the name and address of the bidder, addressed to the Owner, and labeled for the BID NO. 26-06.

The successful bidder will be required to comply with all provisions of prevailing wage rates as determined by the New Jersey Department of Labor.

Pursuant to P.L. 2021, c. 301 requires a contractor submitting the lowest bid for a contract that is subject to the Prevailing Wage Act, if that bid is 10 percent or more lower than the next lowest bid, to certify to the public body that the prevailing wage rates required by the Act shall be paid. If the bidder does not provide the certification prior to the award of the contract, the public body shall award the contract to the next lowest responsible and responsive bidder. All bids shall be irrevocable, not subject to withdrawal and shall stand available for a period of sixty (60) days.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids pursuant to applicable law and regulations, to waive informalities or irregularities in the bids received and to accept the bid from the lowest, responsive, and responsible bidder.

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Township of Montclair
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