

**INVITATION TO BID
TOWN OF PALM BEACH SHORES
PROJECT NO: 2018-50**

**UTILITY UNDERGROUNDING INITIATIVE
(THE "PROJECT")**

The Town of Palm Beach Shores, Florida, is soliciting sealed bids for the following Town project: **Utility Undergrounding Initiative**, consisting of installation of conduits, utility underground lines, hand holes, cable pull boxes, concrete transformer pads, pad mounted transformers, pad mounted switches, pad mounted capacitors, and various other utility equipment and devices within the jurisdictional limits of the Town of Palm Beach Shores (the Project). The Project will include installation of Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) underground electric distribution facilities. Additionally, conduit facilities for Comcast, AT&T and other existing overhead communications providers will also be installed as part of the Project. Communications company cable and equipment will be installed by the respective companies and will not be included in the Project. Where non-FPL service lines exist, the conversion of these lines is part of the Project and must be included in the base bid and be compliant with all authorities having jurisdiction over such facilities. All bidders must be active approved Florida Power & Light Company underground distribution utility construction contractors, qualified to install all FPL components. All bidders must be authorized to do business in the State of Florida as an underground utility contractor and must be licensed in the State of Florida as such.

Bidding documents may be acquired from the **Town Clerk** at the Town of Palm Beach Shores, **247 Edwards Lane, Palm Beach Shores, FL 33404-5792, Phone: (561) 844-3457**. The charge for a complete set of bidding documents is a **non-refundable payment of Two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) per set**. Complete sets of bidding documents must be used in preparing and submitting sealed bids. The Town of Palm Beach Shores assumes no responsibility for errors or misrepresentations resulting from the use of incomplete sets of bidding documents.

All sealed bids must be delivered or mailed to:

**TOWN OF PALM BEACH SHORES
Evyonne Browning, Town Clerk
247 Edwards Lane
Palm Beach Shores, Florida 33404-5792**

Time is of the essence and any sealed bid received after **Tuesday, October 2, 2018 at 2:00 PM, EDT** whether by mail or otherwise, will be returned unopened. The time of receipt shall be determined by the time clock located in the Town Hall. Sealed bids shall be placed in a sealed envelope, marked in the lower left-hand corner with the bid number, title, date, and hour bids are schedule to be received. Bidders are responsible for ensuring that their sealed bid is stamped received by Town personnel by the deadline indicated.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 11, 2018 at 9:00 am, EDT. The meeting will be held at the Town of Palm Beach Shores Town Hall located at 247 Edwards Lane, Palm Beach Shores, Florida 33404-5792.

ENVELOPES CONTAINING SEALED BIDS MUST BE IDENTIFIED ON THE OUTSIDE AS "BID #2018-50". Bids shall be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check, or Bid Bond in an amount not less than 5% of the bid amount.

The Town of Palm Beach Shores reserves the right to accept or reject any or all sealed bids, in whole or in part, with or without cause, to waive any irregularities and/or technicalities, and to award a contract on such terms it deems will best serve the interests of the Town. A Cone of Silence will be imposed after the issuance of the solicitation by the Town. Bidders and their representatives shall not contact, communicate with, or discuss with the Town (including any Commissioner, member of the Selection Committee, or any employee of the Town) any matter relating in any way to this solicitation. Bidders may submit questions in writing to the Town Clerk prior to, or during, the mandatory pre-bid meeting. Questions will be answered prior to the submittal deadline.

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