

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids for:

Mills Park Tower
Plumbing Modifications
1025 Pleasant Place
Oak Park, Illinois

will be received by The Housing Authority of the Village of Oak Park, an Illinois Municipal Corporation, on or before 2:00 p.m. local time on **Tuesday, April 27, 2004** at Mills Park Tower, 1025 Pleasant Place, Oak Park, Illinois.

Prospective bidders must obtain and read the Instructions to Bidders, Project Manual, Drawings, and Specifications which may be viewed at the office of the Architect, Heitzman Architects, 111 North Marion Street, Oak Park, Illinois 60301, or may be obtained by ordering from Imperial Blueprint Company, 338 Harrison Street, Oak Park, Illinois 60304, telephone (708) 848-1030.

Bidders may call Jim King at (708) 386-7536 to gain entry to the building to inspect the pertinent existing conditions.

The Owner in accordance with the laws of the United States and the State of Illinois hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively insure that the contract(s) entered into pursuant to this notice will be awarded to the successful bidder without discrimination on the ground of race, color or national origin.

The Owner reserves the right to award the contract to his best interests, to reject any or all proposals, to waive informalities in bidding, and to hold the three lowest proposals for a period of sixty (60) days after bid due date.

Each bidder shall visit the site to fully acquaint and familiarize himself with the conditions as they exist, and make such investigations as he may see fit so that he shall fully understand the facilities, physical conditions, and restrictions attending the Work under the Contract. Claims for additional compensation due to Contractor's failure to carefully examine the site, or failure to fully understand the Contract Documents will not be allowed. Should a Bidder find discrepancies in, or omissions from the Contract Documents, he should at once notify the Architect, who will issue the necessary instructions to all Bidders in the form of an Addendum. All Addenda will become part of the Contract Documents.

Each bidder agrees to waive any claim it has or may have against the Owner, the Architect, and their respective employees, arising out of or in connection with the administration, evaluation or recommendation of any bid.

No oral interpretation will be made to any bidder as to the meaning of any of the contract documents.

Bid Security: Each individual bid must be accompanied by a bid bond in the amount of 5% of the bid or a certified check in the same amount payable to The Housing Authority of the Village of Oak Park. Checks of unsuccessful bidders will be returned as soon as practicable after the opening of bids.

Performance Bond: The Contractor, before commencing the Work, shall furnish a Performance Bond and a Labor and Material Payment Bond. The Performance Bond shall be in an amount equal to 100% of the full amount of the Contract Sum as security for the faithful performance of the obligations of the Contract Documents, and the Labor and Material Payment Bond shall be in an amount equal to 100% of the full amount of the Contract Sum as security for the payment of all persons performing labor and furnishing materials in connection with the Contract Documents. Such bond shall be issued by a surety satisfactory to the Owner and shall name the Owner as a primary co-obligee.