ADVERTISEMENT AND INVITATION FOR BIDS

The City of Lockhart will receive sealed bids for construction of the **2021 CDBG Water Meter Replacement**, **TxCDBG Contract No. CDV21-0093**, until **11:00 AM on 29th November 2023** addressed to the City Manager, City of Lockhart City Hall, 308 West San Antonio, Lockhart, Texas 78644. In which place bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened. Bids are invited for several items and quantities of work as follows:

Principle items of construction include furnishing and installing 1,245 smart water meters throughout the City of Lockhart per the plans and specifications for the Lockhart 2021 CDGB Water Meter Replacement project and all necessary appurtenances for the completion of the project.

Bidders shall submit a bid bond by an acceptable surety in the amount of five percent (5%) of the bid issued. A certified check or bank draft payable to the locality or negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (as par value) may be submitted in lieu of the Bid Bond.

The successful Bidder must furnish Performance and Payments Bonds each in the amount of 100% of the contract price from an approved Surety Company holding a permit from the State of Texas to act as Surety and acceptable according to the latest list of companies holding certificates of authority from the Secretary of Treasury of the United States, or other Surety or Sureties acceptable to the Owner.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than, the federally determined prevailing (Davis-Bacon and Related Acts) wage rate, as issued by the Texas Department of Agriculture and contained in the contract documents, must be paid on this project. In addition, the successful bidder must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual identity, gender identity, or national origin. The City is an Equal Opportunity Employer. The City strives to attain goals for compliance with Federal Section 3 regulations by increasing opportunities for employment and contracting with Section 3 residents and businesses where feasible.

Plans and specifications may be examined without charge at the City of Lockhart City Hall, 308 West San Antonio, Lockhart, Texas 78644. Bid Documents and Construction Drawings for the project may be viewed and downloaded free of charge (with the option to purchase hard copies) at www.civcastusa.com. Bidders must register on this website in order to view and/or download specifications, plans and other related documents for this project. It is the sole responsibility of all planholders, whether they have received digital downloads or paper copies of the plans and specifications, to periodically to check for Addenda which may have been posted on www.civcastusa.com. Printed copies of the specifications and drawings may also be viewed at the Engineer's office, TRC Engineers, Inc., 505 East Huntland Drive, Suite 250, Austin, Texas 78752, (512) 454-8716.

Please submit questions for this project seven (7) days prior to bid opening through www.civcastusa.com in the Q&A portal. All addenda issued for this project will be posted on www.civcastusa.com. It is the responsibility of the Contractor bidding to use proper scaling, paper width and length, etc. Failure to do so may result in error in the Unit Bid Quantities and/or Bid Amounts.

The Council of the City of Lockhart reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive formalities

in the bidding. Bids may be held by the City for a period of 90 days or until a contract is awarded, whichever occurs first, from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the bidder's qualifications prior to the contract award.

City of Lockhart, Texas Lew White, Mayor