NOTICE INVITING BIDS

FOR

CWA METER EXCHANGE PROJECT

The City of Coachella, Utilities Department ("City") will receive sealed bids for the above stated project and will receive such bids at the City of Coachella Corporate Yard, 53-462 Enterprise Way, Coachella, California 92236 up to the hour of **2:00 PM on Thursday August 5th** at which time or thereafter said bids will be opened and read aloud. Bids received after this time will be returned unopened. Bids shall be valid for 60 calendar days after the bid opening date.

The general scope of services includes but is not limited to: replacement of the existing end of life 3/4" – 3G Master Meters for approximately 800 meters with a scaled 4G- LCD Digital Allegro Meters.

TIME FOR COMPLETION: The work shall be commenced on the date stated in the City's Notice to Proceed. The Contractor shall complete all work required by the Contract Documents within <u>30</u> calendar days from the commencement date stated in the Notice to Proceed by its signature here under, Contractor agrees the time for completion set forth above is adequate and reasonable to complete the work.

Bids must be submitted on the City's Bid Forms. Bids will not be accepted in Electronic Format.

Bidders may obtain a copy of the RFP on the City's web page: https://www.coachella.org/

The successful bidder will be required to furnish the City with a Performance Bond equal to 100% of the successful bid, and a Payment (Labor and Materials) Bond equal to 100% of the successful bid, prior to execution of the Contract. All bonds are to be secured from a surety that meets all of the State of California bonding requirements, as defined in Code of Civil Procedure Section 995.120, and is admitted by the State of California.

Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 22300, the successful bidder may substitute certain securities for funds withheld by City to ensure his performance under the Contract.

The Director of Industrial Relations has determined the general prevailing rate of per diem wages each bidder shall be a licensed contractor pursuant to the Business and Professions Code and shall be licensed in the following appropriate classification(s) of contractor's license(s), for the work bid upon, and must maintain the license(s) throughout the duration of the Contract:

Class A General

Pursuant to Public Contract Code Section 3400(b), if the City has made any findings designating certain materials, products, things, or services by specific brand or trade name, such findings and

the materials, products, things, or services and their specific brand or trade names will be set forth in the Special Conditions.

Award of Contract: The City shall award the Contract for the Project to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder as determined from the base bid alone by the City. The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bids or in the bidding process.

Bids must be prepared on the approved proposal forms in conformance with the Instructions to Bidders and submitted in a sealed envelope plainly marked on the outside lower left-hand corner "CWA meter exchange project sealed bid, do not open with regular mail".

Bid security in an amount of not less than ten percent (10%) of the total dollar amount and conforming to the prescribed bidding procedures is required to be submitted with each bid, as a guaranty to be forfeited should the bidder, if awarded the contract, fail to enter into same or fails to furnish in a timely manner the bonds and/or proof of insurance. City staff will not be available to respond to questions on the day of bid opening. City will not be responsible for mail delays and will not accept bids after the bid opening time and date regardless of post mark.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any irregularity, to accept bid or portion thereof, and to take all bids under advisement for a period of sixty (60) days.

Please send all formal Requests for Information (RFI's) to Jesus Chabolla, Water Superintendent /Project Manager jchabolla@coachella.org; before 2:00PM on August 5th, 2021. No formal RFI's will be accepted after this date and time.