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Tender

SC250102 - Bean Road Tunnel

Kent County Council

F02: Contract notice

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25 October 2024, 5:00pm

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

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Region code

UKJ4 - Kent

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.kent.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

<http://www.kent.gov.uk>

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk/>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

II.1.1) Title

SC250102 - Bean Road Tunnel

Reference number

DN742811

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 45220000 - Engineering works and construction works

II.1.3) Type of contract

Works

II.1.4) Short description

Kent County Council (KCC) is the largest local authority in England covering an area of 3,500 square kilometres. It has an annual expenditure of over £1bn on goods and services

and a population of 1.6m. The Council provides a wide range of personal and strategic services on behalf of its residents, operating in partnership with the NHS Kent and Medway

Clinical Commissioning Group, 12 district councils, and 289 parish/town councils. KCC consists of four directorates:

- Adult Social Care and Health;
- Children, Young People and Education;
- Growth, Environment and Transport; and
- Strategic and Corporate Services.

This service is being commissioned on behalf of the Growth, Environment and Transport directorate.

The scheme requires the construction of a new tunnel on the Bead Road in Kent. Fastrack Bean Road Tunnel is broadly a new 75m long tunnel (technically an underpass due to short length) through the chalk spine under the B255 Bean Road between Whitecliffe (former Eastern Quarry) and Bluewater Shopping Centre, serving to directly connect the shopping centre to the new Whitecliffe development and Ebbsfleet International Railway Station. It will form part of the Fastrack bus rapid transit system within Kent Thameside. The tunnel will house a 3.5m wide Bi-directional Fastrack busway linking Whitecliffe and Bluewater, as well as providing a combined footway / cycleway and footway linking the Whitecliffe and Bluewater as part of the Ebbsfleet Garden City green corridor network.

Project value is £25.5m with construction cost budget of circa. £20.43m

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ4 - Kent

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Form of contract will be The New Engineering Contract 4 (NEC4) Option A (fixed lump

sum with Activity Schedule) with KCC Z Clauses.

The value of the contract falls is above the Public Contract Regulations 2015 threshold for Works, and the Client is using a competitive tender process (with an option to negotiate if required) to procure the required Services.

The contract will be awarded to a single supplier following this procedure and interested suppliers are hereby invited to express their interest in this tender opportunity and submit their completed SQ by the date specified.

For any Supplier who wishes to apply, the tender documentation is available via the Kent

Business Portal (www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk). The documentation will need to be downloaded and submitted back to the Council via the Kent Business Portal.

Please direct all communication via the Kent Business Portal which can be found at the following web address: www.kentbusinessportal.org.uk. Any communication outside of this

will be redirected to the Kent Business Portal. Please note that you will have to register to use the portal.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £20,430,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

18

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Competitive procedure with negotiation

IV.1.5) Information about negotiation

The contracting authority reserves the right to award the contract on the basis of the initial tenders without conducting negotiations

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

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IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Kent County Council

Maidstone

Country

United Kingdom