

**Advertisement for Bids  
(Informal - N.C.G.S. 143-131)**



**Issue Date:** 2/6/2025

**Project Name:** North Fork Water Treatment Plant Gate 2025

**Project Number:** 298 - NFWTPgate2025

Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 143-131, bids will be received by the City of Asheville as noted in the "IB-02 RECEIPT AND OPENING OF BIDS" section of the Instructions To Bidders.

**Description of Work:**

The project includes the removal of the existing front gate to the North Fork Water Treatment Plant grounds. Owner will keep the materials of the existing gate. The project will then involve constructing a new cantilever gate and phone system with a stand. Installation of a new security camera mast. The security camera mast must be fixed so as not to move with high wind. The project will need to be completed in a timely manner once started to allow facility traffic to continue securely and uninterrupted.

**Bid Schedule:**

Issuance of Advertisement for Bids	Thursday, February 6th, 2025
Pre-Bid Meeting (mandatory) North Fork WTP 3374 North Fork-Left Fork Road Black Mountain, NC 28711	Thursday, March 13th 2025 at 10:00 AM
Deadline to Submit Questions	Monday, March 24, 2025 @5:00pm
<b>Bids Due (Bid Opening)</b>	<b>Wednesday, April 9th, 2025 at 11:00:00 AM</b>
Preferred Construction Start	Monday, May 5th 2025

A mandatory Pre-Bid meeting will be held at the North Fork WTP on Thursday, March 20th, 2025 at 10:00 AM. All questions that arise from the pre-bid meeting must be submitted in writing prior to the deadline to submit questions. These questions will ultimately be posted with answers in an addendum no later than (7) days prior to the bid opening date. Attendance will be taken at each site visit, and will be shared in the addendum.

Attendance to the Pre-Bid meeting is mandatory.

**Asheville Business Inclusion Policy:** The City of Asheville has adopted the Asheville Business Inclusion Policy to encourage women and minority businesses' participation in the public bidding process. The purpose of this outreach effort is to increase the likelihood of availability and utilization of MWBEs in the award of contracts. Bidders are hereby notified that this bid is subject to that Policy's provisions. Questions regarding the Asheville Business

Inclusion Policy may be directed to the Office of Economic Development, City of Asheville, Post Office Box 7148, Asheville, NC 28802-7148 or by phone at (828) 259-8050 or by email [abi@ashevillenc.gov](mailto:abi@ashevillenc.gov).

Bidders are invited to show proof of MWBE status, to include NC Office of Historically Underutilized Businesses or other MWBE certifications. If not already certified with the ABI Office at the City of Asheville, bidders are further invited to become certified with the City of Asheville as an MWBE vendor. Please use this link: [ABI Certifications](#)

It is the Policy of the City to (1) provide minorities and women an equal opportunity to participate in all aspects of its contracting and procurement programs and (2) to prohibit any and all discrimination against persons or businesses in pursuit of these opportunities.

**Drug Free Workplace:** The City of Asheville is a drug-free workplace employer. By submitting this bid, the prospective contractor certifies that if awarded the contract, they and their subcontractors shall comply with the following:

The City requires contractors/vendors entering into a contract with the City to provide a drug-free workplace in the performance of said contract. The contractor, upon execution of the contract, certifies that it will provide a drug-free workplace during the performance of the work on this contract. The contractor agrees to do the following:

Notify employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensation, possession or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the workplace and specify the actions that will be taken for violations of such prohibitions. Responsive actions should be appropriate and sufficient to address and remediate any violations of this requirement.

**Payment of Taxes:**

Bid proposals shall include the cost of required insurance and bonds and payment of any applicable local, State and Federal taxes. The City Council of the City of Asheville has adopted a policy that the City of Asheville will not enter into contracts with bidders who are delinquent in the payment of ad valorem taxes owed to the City of Asheville.

**License Requirements:**

All bidders must have current North Carolina General Contractor licenses with the appropriate classification for all work of the project at the time of the bid.

**Bid Documents:**

This Advertisement for Bids is posted on the City procurement website at [www.ashevillenc.gov/bids](http://www.ashevillenc.gov/bids). This is *the official source* of this solicitation. Bid documents and instructions may be obtained digitally at no cost from the City procurement website. All updates to this solicitation shall come in the form of published addenda and shall be published to the same location. Neither the City nor the Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Contract Documents including any addendum obtained from any other source.

NOTICE: As of January 1, 2021 the Asheville Business Inclusion policy will be in full force and effect. This

policy requires a showing, by the Bidder, of Minority and Women Business Enterprise outreach.

**Information:**

All questions concerning this Advertisement for Bids should be submitted via email to:

Brendan Kelley bkelley@ashevillenc.gov
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Questions pertaining to the bid will be answered in the form of a written addenda posted to the City of Asheville's bid page no later than seven (7) days before the opening of bids.

**INCLEMENT WEATHER DIRECTIONS:** The City of Asheville reserves the right to postpone bid openings for its own convenience. In the event of inclement weather and the City Offices are closed, the bid opening will be held at 11:00 a.m. the next business day that the City Offices are open. Please check the city's website and bid page for notification. <http://www.ashevillenc.gov/Bids>

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