THE CITY OF

EDINBURG

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The City of Edinburg is soliciting sealed bids to be received by the City Secretary's Office located at 415 W. University Drive, Edinburg, Texas 78541. City of Edinburg normal business days are Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and shall be closed on recognized holidays.

Bids will be received until **3:00 p.m. Central Time**, on **Monday, January 31, 2011**, shortly thereafter all submitted bids will be gathered and taken to the Edinburg City Hall Community Room, 1st Floor, to be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after the closing time will not be accepted and will be returned to the bidder unopened. It is the responsibility of the bidder to see that any bid submitted shall have sufficient time to be received by the City Secretary's Office prior to the bid opening date and time. The receiving time in the City Secretary's Office will be the governing time for acceptability of the bids. Bids will not be accepted by telephone or facsimile machine. All bids must bear original signatures and figures. The Bid shall be for:

BID NO. 2011-38
BAR 5 SUBDIVISION PHASE II PAVING IMPROVEMENTS

Bidders receiving a "NOTICE TO BIDDERS" and/or "REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS" notice in the mail or reading same in the newspaper are advised that the bidding documents can be downloaded from the City of Edinburg web page address: www.cityofedinburg.com, or may obtain copies of same by contacting the office of:

LORENA FUENTES, PURCHASING AGENT, LOCATED AT 415 W. UNIVERSITY DRIVE, Edinburg, TX 78541 by calling (956) 388-8972 or by e-mailing your request to the following e-mail address: lfuentes@ci.edinburg.tx.us

If you have any questions or require additional information regarding this bid, please contact Mr. Tom Reyna, Interim Director of Public Works, at (956) 388-8210.

If Hand-delivering Bids: 415 West University Drive,
c/o City Secretary Department (1st Floor)

If using Land Courier (i.e., FedEx, UPS): City of Edinburg
c/o City Secretary
415 West University Drive
Edinburg, Texas 78541

If Mailing Bids: City of Edinburg
c/o City Secretary
P.O. Box 1079
Edinburg, TX 78540-1079

The City of Edinburg reserves the right to refuse and reject any or all bids and to waive any or all formalities or technicalities and to accept the bid deemed most advantageous to the City, and hold the bids for a period of **60** days without taking action.

Bids must be submitted in an envelope sealed with tape and prominently marked on the lower left hand corner of the bid envelope with corresponding bid number and title.

The project shall be a complete and operational system capable of providing the functions intended. Plans, proposal forms, specifications, and contract documents may be obtained by interested parties for **forty dollars ($40.00) non-refundable**, per set, or by contacting SDI Engineering, LLC, located at 3515 N. Sugar Road, Pharr, Texas 78577 or by calling (956) 607-9081.

Copies of the plans and specifications may be examined without charge at the following locations:

City of Edinburg
Public Works Departmen - 2nd Floor
415 W. University Drive
Edinburg, Texas 78541

A pre-bid conference will be held at **10:00 a.m., Monday, January 24, 2011** at the Edinburg City Hall Community Room, 1st Floor, located at 415 W. University Drive, Edinburg, Texas. All prospective bidders are encouraged to attend.

If the contract amount is over twenty-five-thousand dollars ($25,000) for construction of the project, the successful bidder shall provide a bid guarantee, give a good and sufficient bond in the full amount of the contract price for the faithful performance of such contract, executed by a surety company authorized to do business in the State of Texas, in accordance with Article 5160, Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes, and amendments thereto. A payment bond in the full amount of the contract price to assure payment shall be required by law of all persons supplying labor and material in the execution of the project provided for in the contract documents.

A bid guarantee equivalent to five percent (5%) of the bid price will be required from each bidder. The "bid guarantee" shall consist of a firm commitment, such as a bid bond, certified check or other negotiable instrument accompanying a bid as assurance that the bidder will upon acceptance of his/her bid, execute such contractual documents as may be required within the time specified.

A performance bond on the part of the contractor for one-hundred percent (100%) of the contract price will be required. A "performance bond" is one executed in connection with a contract to secure fulfillment of all the contractor's obligations under such contract.

A payment bond on the part of the contractor for one-hundred percent (100%) of the contract price will be required. A "payment bond" is one executed in connection with a contract to assure payment, as required by law, of all persons supplying labor and material in execution of the work provided for in the contract documents.

Bidders are expressly advised to review the contract documents fully and insurance requirements of the proposed contract as to their legal requirements and the causes which may lead to the disqualification of a bidder and/or rejection of a bid proposal. No bid may be withdrawn within a period of sixty (60) days after the dated fixed for opening the bids. Unless all bids are rejected, the Owner will give Notice of Award of Contract to the successful bidder as soon as possible consistent with the time for a thorough analysis of bids submitted. Bidders are expected to inspect the site of work and to inform themselves regarding all local conditions which may affect their bid.

A bid guarantee, performance and payment bond will not be required for contracts zero to $25,000. The City will specify in the contract that no money will be paid to the contractor until the project has been completed and final acceptance has been made by the City.

Staff may waive insurance requirements for contracts $0 - $4,999.99, including but not limited to contracts for food, materials, supplies, and construction. Workers' Compensation in amounts which satisfy statutory coverage shall be required for construction projects.

The following insurance requirements will be included in all City contracts of $5,000 - $14,999.99. In contracts not involving building and construction projects, as that activity is defined in TEX. LABOR CODE §406.096, contractors may obtain alternative form of worker accident insurance with minimum limits of liability of $100,000 per claim.

Minimum Insurance Requirements	
Type of Coverage	**Limits of Liability**
Worker's Compensation	Statutory Coverage
Comprehensive General Liability (City named as additional insured) Bodily Injury	$250,000 each person/$500,000 each occurrence
Property Damage	$100,000 each occurrence/$100,000 aggregate or $500,000 combined single limits

The following insurance requirements will be included in all City contracts of $15,000 or more.

(1) The successful bidder will be required to carry the following insurance coverage and limits of coverage, as well as list the City as an additional insured to liability coverage as requested by the City. In addition, the successful bidder shall provide the City with evidence of coverage and furnish acceptable proof of payment of insurance premiums.

(2) The successful bidder will be required to secure and/or have insurance coverage in force with an admitted property and casualty insurance company licensed by the State of Texas to conduct business in the State of Texas.

(3) In contracts not involving building and construction projects, as that activity is defined in TEX. LABOR CODE §406.096, contractors may obtain alternative form of worker accident insurance with minimum limits of liability of $100,000 per claim.

Minimum Insurance Requirements	
Type of Coverage	**Limits of Liability**
Worker's Compensation	Statutory Coverage
Employer's Liability	Bodily Injury by Accident: $100,000 each accident Bodily Injury by Disease: $100,000 each employee/$500,000 policy limit
Comprehensive General Liability Bodily Injury Property Damage	 $250,000 each person/$500,000 each occurrence $100,000 each occurrence/$100,000 aggregate or $500,000 combined single limits
Comprehensive Auto Liability Bodily Injury Property Damage	 $100,000 each person/$500,000 each occurrence $100,000 each occurrence/$100,000 aggregate or $500,000 combined single limits
City's Protective Liability Bodily Injury Property Damage	 $250,000 each person/$500,000 each occurrence $100,000 each occurrence/$100,000 aggregate or $500,000 combined single limits

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

HUD 4238-A
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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Project No. **BID NO. 2011-38**
City of Edinburg
(Owner)

Separate sealed bids for **BID NO. 2010-38** for **BAR 5 SUBDIVISION PHASE II - PAVING IMPROVEMENTS** will be received by **THE CITY OF EDINBURG C/O CITY SECRETARY, 415 W. UNIVERSITY DRIVE, P.O. BOX 1079, EDINBURG, TEXAS 78540-1079** until **3:00 P.M., STANDARD TIME, MONDAY, JANUARY 31, 2011**, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

The Information for Bidders, Form of Bid, Form of Contract, Plans, Specifications, and Forms of Bid Bond, Performance and Payment Bond, and other contract documents may be examined at the following:

SDI Engineerg, LLC, offices, 3515 N. Sugar Road, Pharr, Texas 78577.

Plans, proposal forms, specifications, and contract document may be obtained by interested parties for forty dollars ($40.00) non-refundable, per set or by contacting SDI Engineering, LLC. Located at 3515 N. Sugar Rd. Pharr, Texas 78577, or by calling (956) 607-9081.

The owner reserves the right to waive any informality, or to reject any or all bids.

Each bidder must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Notice to Bidders.

Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the contract, Section 3, Segregated Facility, Section 109 and E.O. 11246.

A Pre-Bid Conference will be held at **10:00 A.M., Monday, January 24, 2011** at the City Hall Community Room located at 415 W. University Drive, Edinburg, Texas 78541. All prospective bidders are encouraged to attend.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

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(Date)

Pedro Garza
Lorena Fuentes, Purchasing Agent

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

HUD 4238-B(R)

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

1. Receipt and opening of Bids:

The City of Edinburg (herein called the "Owner") invites bids on the form attached hereto, all blanks of which must be appropriately filled. Bids will be received by the Owner at the office of: The City Secretary until Three o'clock p.m., Standard Time, **Monday, January 31, 2011**, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud. The envelopes containing the bids must be sealed, addressed to CITY OF EDINBURG C/O CITY SECRETARY at 415 W. UNIVERSITY DRIVE, P.O. BOX 1079, EDINBURG, TEXAS 78540-1079.

Bids shall be sealed and marked prominently on the lower left hand corner of the bid envelope for:

BID NO. 2011-38, BAR 5 SUBDIVISION PHASE II - PAVING IMPROVEMENTS

The Owner may consider informal any bid not prepared and submitted in accordance with the provisions hereof and may waive any informalities or reject any and all bids. Any bid may be withdrawn prior to the above scheduled time for the opening of bids or authorized postponement there considered. No bidder may withdraw a bid within 30 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

2. Preparation of Bids: Each bid must be submitted on the prescribed form and accompanied by Certification by Bidder Regarding Equal Employment Opportunity, Form HUD-950.1, and Certification of Bidder Regarding Section 3 and Segregated Facilities. All blank spaces for bid process must be filled in, in ink or typewritten, in both words and figures, and the foregoing Certifications must be fully completed and executed when submitted.

Each bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope bearing on the outside the name of the bidder, his/her address, and the name of the project for which the bid is submitted. If forwarded by mail, the sealed envelope containing the bid must be enclosed in another envelope addressed as specified in the bid form.

3. Subcontracts: The bidder is specifically advised that any person, for, or other party to whom it is proposed to award a subcontract under this contract:
   a. Must be acceptable to the owner after verification by the HUD Area Office of the current eligibility status; and,
   b. Must submit Form HUD-950.2, Certification by Proposed Subcontractor Regarding Equal Employment Opportunity, and Certification of Proposed Subcontractor Regarding Section 3 and Segregated Facilities. Approval of the

proposed subcontractor award cannot be given by the Owner unless and until the proposed subcontractor has submitted the Certifications and/or other evidence showing that it has fully complied with any reporting requirements to which it is or was subject. Although the bidder is not required to attach such Certifications by proposed subcontractors to his/her bid, the bidder is here advised of this requirement so that appropriate action can be taken to prevent subsequent delay in subcontract awards.

4. Telegraphic Modifications: Any bidder may modify his/her bid by telegraphic communication at any time prior to the scheduled closing time for receipt of bids, provided such telegraphic communication is received by the Owner prior to the closing time; and, provided further, the Owner is satisfied that a written confirmation of the telegraphic modification over the signature of the bidder was mailed prior to the closing time. The telegraphic communication should not reveal the bid price, but should provide the addition or subtraction or other modification so that the final prices or terms will not be known by the Owner until the sealed bid is opened. If written confirmation is not received within two days from the closing time, no consideration will be given to the telegraphic modification.

5. Method of Bidding: The Owner invites the following bid(s):

6. Qualifications of Bidder: The Owner may make such investigations as he/she deems necessary to determine the ability of the bidder to perform the work, and the bidder shall furnish to the Owner all such information and data for this purpose as the Owner may request. The Owner reserves the right to reject any bid if the evidence submitted by, or investigation of, such bidder fails to satisfy the Owner that such bidder is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the contract and to complete the work contemplated therein. Conditional bids will not be accepted.

7. Bid Security: Each bid must be accompanied by cash, certified check, or bank cashier's check in the amount not less than five percent (5%) of the bid. Bid bonds shall be accepted as bid security. Such cash, or checks will be returned to all except the three lowest bidders within three days after the opening of bids, and the remaining cash, or checks will be returned promptly after the Owner and the accepted bidder have executed the contract, or, opening of bids, upon demand of the bidder at any time thereafter, so long as he/she has not been notified of the acceptance of his/her bid.

8. Liquidated Damages for Failure to Enter into Contract: The successful bidder, upon his/her failure or refusal to execute and deliver the contract and bonds required within 10 days after he/she has received notice of the acceptance of his/her bid, shall forfeit to the Owner, as liquidated damages for such failure or refusal, the security deposited with his/her bid.

9. Time of Completion and Liquidated Damages: Bidder must agree to commence work on or before a date to be specified in a written "Notice to Proceed" of the

Owner and to fully complete the project within **120** consecutive calendar days thereafter. Bidder must agree also to pay as liquidated damages, the sum of $250 for each consecutive calendar day thereafter as hereinafter provided in the General Conditions.

10. Conditions of Work: Each bidder must inform him/herself fully of the conditions relating to the construction of the project and the employment of labor thereon. Failure to do so will not relieve a successful bidder of his/her obligation to furnish all material and labor necessary to carry out the provisions of his/her contract. Insofar as possible, the contractor, in carrying out the work, must employ such methods or means as will not cause any interruption of or interference with the work of any other contractor.

11. Addenda and Interpretations: No interpretation of the meaning of the plans, specifications or other pre-bid documents will be made to any bidder orally.

12. Every request for such interpretation should be in writing addressed to: Isael Posadas, P.E., C.F.M.,at 3515 N. Sugar Road, Pharr, Texas 78577 and to be given consideration must be received at least five days prior to the data fixed for the opening of bids. Any and all such interpretations and any supplemental instructions will be in the form of written addenda to the specifications which, if issued, will be mailed by certified mail with return receipt requested to all prospective bidders (at the respective addresses furnished for such purposes), not later than three days prior to the date fixed for the opening of bids. Failure of any bidder to receive any such addendum or interpretation shall not relieve such bidder from any obligation under his/her bid as submitted. All addenda so issued shall become part of the contract documents.

13. Security for Faithful Performance: Simultaneously with his/her delivery of the executed contract, the Contractor shall furnish a surety bond or bonds as security for faithful performance of this contract and for the payment of all persons performing labor on the project under this contract and furnishing materials in connection with this contract, as specified in the General Conditions included herein. The surety on such bond or bonds shall be a duly authorized surety company satisfactory to the Owner.

14. Power of Attorney: Attorneys-in-fact who sign bid bonds or contract bonds must file with each bond a certified and effectively dated copy of their power of attorney.

15. Notice of Special Conditions: Attention in particularly called to those parts of the contract documents and specifications, which deal with the following:
    a. Inspection and testing of materials.
    b. Insurance requirements.
    c. Wage rates.
    d. Stated allowances.

16. Laws and Regulations: The bidder's attention is directed to the fact that all applicable State laws, municipal ordinances, and the rules and regulations of all authorities having jurisdiction over construction of the project shall apply to the contract throughout, and they will be deemed to be included in the contract the same as though herein written out in full.

17. Method of Award-Lowest Qualified Bidder: If at the time this contract is to be awarded, the lowest base bid submitted by a responsible bidder does not exceed the amount of funds then estimated by the Owner as available to finance the contract, the contract will be awarded on the base bid only. If such bid exceeds such amount, the Owner may reject all bids or may award the contract on the base bid combined with such deductible alternates applied in numerical order in which they are listed in the Form of Bid, as produces a net amount which is within the available funds.

18. Obligation of Bidder: At the time of the opening of bids, each bidder will be presumed to have inspected the site and to have read and to be thoroughly familiar with the plans and contract documents (including all addenda). The failure or omission of any bidder to examine any form, instrument or document shall in no way relieve any bidder from any obligation in respect of his/her bid.

19. Safety Standards and Accident Prevention: With respect to all work performed under this contract, the contractor shall:
    a. Comply with the safety standards provisions of applicable laws, building and construction codes and the "Manual of Accident Prevention in Construction" published by the Associated General Contractors of America, the requirements of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (Public Law 91-596), and the requirements of Title 29 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1518 as published in the "Federal Register," Volume 36, No. 75, Saturday, April 17, 1971.
    b. Exercise every precaution at all times for the prevention of accidents and the protection of persons (including employees) and property.
    c. Maintain at his/her office or other well-known place at the job site, all articles necessary for giving first aid to the injured, and shall make standing arrangements for the immediate removal to a hospital or a doctor's care of persons (including employees) who may be injured on the job site before the employer has made a standing arrangement for removal of injured persons to a hospital or a doctor's care.

20. Payment and Performance Bond: A performance and payment bond will be required of the successful binder (contractor) for 100 Percent of the contract price.

21. Contract Progress Schedule: Each bid shall be accompanied by a Contract Progress Schedule. Such Schedule shall list the bidder's timetable for completion of the contract.