

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids will be received by the City of North Chicago for the project entitled "Broadway Avenue Water Main Replacement" until 1:00 PM on December 1, 2026 at the Lake Geneva offices of Trotter and Associates, Inc., 700 Geneva Parkway North, Suite B, Lake Geneva, WI. The Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud immediately afterwards in the Conference Room.

Bids shall be received in a sealed envelope addressed to:

City Engineer
City of North Chicago
700 Geneva Parkway North, Suite B
Lake Geneva, WI 53147

The sealed envelope shall be marked in the lower left-hand corner EXACTLY as follows:

BID: City of North Chicago
Broadway Avenue Water Main Replacement

Any Contract or Contracts awarded under this Invitation for Bids are anticipated to be funded, in whole or in part, through a United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Community Grant and the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO). Contractors shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws, regulations, and contract requirements, including, but not limited to, Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements, American Iron and Steel (AIS), Build America, Buy America (BABA), the Employment of Illinois Workers on Public Works Act (30 ILCS 570), the Illinois Works Jobs Program Act (30 ILCS 559/20-1), applicable federal and state Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) requirements, and all other applicable requirements contained in the Contract Documents.

This procurement is also subject to the grant recipient's policy regarding the increased use of disadvantaged business enterprises. The grant recipient's policy requires all bidders to undertake specified affirmative efforts **at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to bid opening**. The policy is contained in the specifications.

Work Description: Provide all labor, services and materials necessary for the construction of 8-inch and 6-inch water main installed by open cut construction methods, including: pavement removal; trench excavation; water main pipe materials and installation; valves and valve vaults; fire hydrant assemblies including hydrant and auxiliary valve; water service connections; abandonment of existing water main; sanitary sewer removal and replacement; storm sewer removal and replacement; pipe bedding; trench backfill; pavement replacement; driveway replacement; curb and gutter replacement; parkway restoration; traffic control; water main pressure testing and disinfection; and all other work necessary for a complete and functional water main installation as shown, specified, or required.

The Contract Documents may be inspected and purchased at:

Trotter and Associates, Inc.
38 W. Grand Avenue, Suite 300
Fox Lake, Illinois 60020
224/225-1300

Contact Heidi Patla at h.patla@trotter-inc.com to schedule an appointment or to purchase the contract documents. Hard or electronic copies of the documents are available for purchase.

Payment for Contract Documents is non-refundable and shall be payable to Trotter and Associates, Inc. in the form of cash, certified check or money order. No partial sets of specifications or drawings will be issued. The non-refundable cost for plans and specifications is **\$200.00 for a hard copy and \$50.00 for an electronic copy**. Addenda will be issued only to plan holders.

Each bid shall be accompanied by a bid bond, bank draft, cashier's check or certified check payable to the order of the City of North Chicago in an amount not less than ten (10) percent of the amount of the bid, as a guaranty that the bidder will execute the contract, if awarded, in conformity with the bid form.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish Performance and Completion and Payment Bonds on forms provided in the Specifications and Contract Documents, each in an amount equal to 100 percent of the contract sum.

A Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference will be held on October 22, 2026 at 2:00 PM at the City Hall, 1850 Lewis Avenue, North Chicago, IL. Bids will not be received, opened, or read from Bidders/Contractors that do not attend the Pre-Bid Conference.

The contractor shall pay prevailing wages in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 USC 2786a through 276a-5) as defined by the U.S. Department of Labor, Local Ordinance and the Illinois Department of Labor Prevailing Wages for Lake County.

Rates can be obtained online at www.state.il.us/Agency/idol/.

Questions regarding the project received by **5:00 PM on November 24, 2026**, will be answered by addendum. Questions submitted after this deadline may not be answered prior to the close of the bidding period. All questions shall be submitted in writing to:

Robert Benson, PE
b.benson@trotter-inc.com

The City of North Chicago reserves the right to reject any or all bids. The City expressly reserves the right to waive any informalities or technical irregularities in a bid if to do so is in the best interest of the City.

Final award of bid shall be contingent on bids being compliant with the requirements of, and the City of North Chicago receiving financing through, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Community Grant and the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO). Per the procedures for Issuing the grants, unless all bids are rejected, award shall be made to the low, responsive, responsible bidder after the bid evaluation has been submitted to the USEPA and DCEO, and written notice of USEPA and DCEO approval has been received by the City of North Chicago.