

NOTICE OF INVITATION FOR BID

Polk County, a political subdivision of the State of Florida, is soliciting bids for the following: **Bid 26-227, North Ridge Trail Phase 1 (FPN: 449198-1/-2-54-01)**

Bid packages may be obtained from the Procurement Division, 330 West Church Street, Room 150, Bartow, Florida, 33830, (863) 534-6757 or downloaded from our FTP site. Bids must be submitted in a "sealed" parcel or may be submitted electronically. Bids will be publicly opened and read at 2:00 p.m. on receiving date.

To obtain a copy of the specifications and drawings please go the following FTP site: <https://ftp3.polk-county.net>, you will be prompted for a User ID and Password. The User ID is *procurevendor* and the password is *solicitation*. After you have logged in to the FTP site, double click on the file folder "**Bid 26-227, Bid Attachments**", select "Open" or "Save As" to download the Bid documents, drawings, and technical specifications. If you need assistance accessing this website due to ADA or any other reason, please email Tabatha Shirah at tabathashirah@polkfl.gov.

SCOPE OF WORK: This construction bid is for Phase One of North Ridge Trail. The construction limits of Phase One are from Four Corners Blvd to Sand Mine Rd, a distance of 2.5 miles. Work includes, but is not limited to, roadway construction including drainage and pedestrian features, signing and pavement markings, roundabout installation, and maintenance of traffic. The construction cost estimate for the project is \$18,709,178.00. The number of days to complete the project are 730 days.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS: The prime contractor or subcontractors shall be on the Current List of FDOT Prequalified Contractors in the following work classes: Drainage; Flexible Paving; Grading; Pavement Marking; Roadway Signing; Hot Plant-Mixed Bituminous Courses; and Sidewalk. The contractor should submit with their bid a minimum of three (3) recent references of comparable work completed within the last ten (10) years by the prime contractor. Percentage of Work: The prime contractor shall perform a minimum of 40%.

RECEIVING DATE: Prior to 2:00 pm. Wednesday, September 30, 2026, NO EXCEPTIONS.

BID OPENING: Bidders may attend the Bid Opening in person or via conference call by dialing (646) 931-3860 and enter Meeting ID: 865 0498 1831. A listing of all bidders will be posted to Procurement's website as soon as possible after bid opening.

QUESTIONS: Questions regarding this bid should be in writing and should reference the above Bid. Submit all questions to Tabatha Shirah, Senior Procurement Analyst, via email at tabathashirah@polkfl.gov by 4:00 p.m. Wednesday, September 16, 2026.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS: A **MANDATORY** pre-bid will be held Tuesday, September 1, 2026, 9:00 a.m. at the Polk County Administration building, located at 330 W. Church St, 1st Floor, Procurement Conference Room 150, Bartow, FL 33830. An authorized representative or agent of the Bidder must be present at this meeting, as evidenced by their signature on the meeting's sign-in sheet, or the Bidder's Submittal will be considered non-responsive. Those attending via video conference will be added to the sign-in sheet by the Procurement office during the video conference. The Zoom Meeting ID: 853 0916 4264 or <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85309164264>.

The County hereby notifies all Bidders that **Women/Minority Business Enterprise** firms are to be afforded a full opportunity to participate in any bid by the County and will not be subject to discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex or national origin. It is asked that Bidders make good faith efforts to use qualified W/MBE subcontractors in preparing their bid. Bidders are encouraged to contact the Office of Supplier Diversity at (863) 534-5959 for assistance or visit our website at: <https://vcl.polkfl.app/vendordirectory>.

**STATEMENT OF NO BID
BID # 26-227**

If submitting a "NO BID", Bidder shall return this form to the Polk County Board of County Commissioners Procurement Division, 330 West Church Street, Room 150, Bartow, Florida 33830; email at procurement@polkfl.gov or fax it to (863) 534-6789.

We have declined to bid on the above-mentioned bid for the following reasons (Please Circle all that apply):

Specifications too "restrictive."

Insufficient time to respond to invitation for bid

Do not offer this product/service

Our schedule would not permit us to perform

Unable to meet specifications

Unable to meet bond/insurance requirements

Specifications unclear

Other (please specify): _____

Company Name: _____

Contact Name: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Date: _____