

**CITY OF CAPE MAY, COUNTY OF CAPE MAY, STATE OF NEW JERSEY****ADVERTISEMENT AND NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on May 27, 2026 at 10:00 AM (prevailing time) sealed bids will be electronically opened on BidNet Direct at [www.bidnetdirect.com//capemaycity](http://www.bidnetdirect.com//capemaycity) by the City of Cape May for the Water Treatment Plant Phase 1A in the City of Cape May, Cape May County, New Jersey.

Advertisement notice shall appear on the Project Sponsor's website.

Copies of the bid forms, contracts and specifications may be obtained on-line only at the following link: [www.bidnetdirect.com//capemaycity](http://www.bidnetdirect.com//capemaycity).

All bids must be submitted on the electronic platform, no physical bids will be accepted.

For Zoom contact and opening invitation please contact the Qualified Purchasing Agent at [scanning@thecanninggroup.org](mailto:scanning@thecanninggroup.org)

Prebid Meeting: There will be a non-mandatory pre-bid site meeting on May 4, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. at 830 Canning House Lane, Cape May, NJ 08204. All comments and questions must be received by noon on May 12, 2026. This meeting is not a prerequisite to bidding, but is to aid all contractors to understand the project.

The project generally consists of the construction of a new Water Treatment Plant in the City of Cape May to accommodate the future installation of pressure filters for iron removal and a reverse osmosis system for desalination. Work includes construction of an approximately 82-foot by 104-foot building containing a laboratory, control room, office space, and electrical equipment room. The building will be designed to house the filtration equipment to be installed as part of a future phase. Site work includes installation of site utilities, including underground process piping, site grading, pavement, restoration, demolition of existing facilities, and all other associated work as specified in the Bid Documents.

Each Bid must be accompanied by a certified check or cash in the amount of not less than ten (10%) percent of the Bid, but not more than \$20,000.00, payable without any conditional endorsement as a guarantee that in case the Contract is awarded to the Bidder, he will within twenty-one (21) days thereafter execute such contract and furnish satisfactory performance bonds. Upon failure to do so he shall forfeit the deposit as liquidated damages and the acceptance of the Bid will be contingent upon the fulfillment of this requirement by the Bidder. No interest shall be allowed upon any such certified check or cash. A bid bond in the amount of ten (10%) percent of the Bid, but not more than \$20,000.00, may be substituted for certified check or cash. Each bid must be accompanied by a certificate of experience and certificate of equipment.

Each Bid must also be accompanied by a certificate of Consent of Surety from a Bonding Company licensed to do business in the State of New Jersey and named in the current list of "Surety Companies Acceptable on Federal Bonds", U.S. Treasury Department, guaranteeing that if the proposal of the Bidder be accepted they will furnish the bond set forth in Paragraph One of the General Conditions of the Contract and the acceptance of the Bid will be contingent upon the fulfillment of this requirement.

The City reserves the right to increase or decrease quantities specified in the manner designated in the Specifications. The City reserves the right to award this Contract based on funds available.

The successful Bidder shall be required to comply with the provisions of the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, Chapter 150 of the Laws of 1963, effective January 1, 1964.

During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, c. 127 (N.J.A.C. 17:27), and N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 et seq., all requirements of the State of New Jersey Worker Health and Safety Act (N.J.A.C. 12:110 et seq.) as amended and the United States Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) (29 CFR 1910), as amended with regard to worker and jobsite safety.

No Bidder may withdraw his Bid for a period of sixty (60) days after the date set for the opening thereof. The successful Bidder will be required to furnish a Surety Company Bond in the full amount of Contract price indemnifying the City of Cape May for all proceedings, suits or actions of any kind of description and conditional for the faithful performance of the work.

All Bid security will be returned to all Bidders except the three apparent lowest Bidders within ten (10) working days after the opening of Bids, and to the three (3) apparent lowest Bidders within three (3) working days after the successful Bidder has executed the Contract and his Contract security has been approved by the City.

The City reserves the right to reject any, or all Bids if in its opinion it is in the best interest to do so and to award the Contract for any and/or all items.

The contract or subcontract is expected to be funded in part with funds from the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust. Neither the State of New Jersey, the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust nor any of their departments, agencies, or employees is, or will be, a party to this contract or subcontract or any lower tier contract or subcontract. This contract or subcontract is subject to the provisions of N.J.A.C. 7:22-3, 4, 5, 9 and 10. The Successful Bidder must comply with all provisions of N.J.A.C. 7:22-9.1 et. seq. for the participation of small business enterprises owned and controlled by Socially and Economically Disadvantaged Individuals (SED's).

BY ORDER OF THE CITY OF CAPE MAY

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Erin C. Burke, Clerk

**Date of Posting on City Webpage: April 24, 2026**