

**ITEM I
ADVERTISEMENT**

October 8, 2014

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Fairhope of Baldwin County, Alabama, in the City of Fairhope offices, 555 South Section St. Fairhope, Alabama, until **Tuesday, October 28, 2014 at 2:00 P.M.** and then publicly opened thereafter, for furnishing all labor and materials, and performing all work required by the City of Fairhope and described as follows:

Bid No. 006-15, Internet Services 2015

The City of Fairhope is seeking bids from vendors who provide Internet ISP Connections as outlined in the bid specifications.

Bid documents will be posted on the City of Fairhope Website: www.cofairhope.com or a copy may be obtained by e-mailing: dan.ames@cofairhope.com. Specifications are on file and may be seen in the Purchasing Department of the City of Fairhope, Alabama, located at 555 S. Section Street, Fairhope, Alabama. Prior to opening, Bid packages may be picked up at that location during normal operation, between 7:00 am and 4:00 P.M. local time, Monday thru Friday.

Questions or comments pertaining to this bid must be presented in writing, sent as e-mail to the attention of the Purchasing Manager, Daniel P. Ames, at e-mail: dan.ames@cofairhope.com, Seventy Two (72) hours prior to the bid opening or will be forever waived.

All bids must be on blank bid forms provided in the Bid Documents. Bids shall be accompanied by a Bid Security equal to 5% (percent) of the bid price, but in no event more than \$10,000.00. Bid Security shall be in the form of a Bid Bond signed by a bonding company authorized to do business in the State of Alabama, or a cashier's check payable to The City of Fairhope. No Bid Security is required on bids less than \$10,000.00. **THE BID BOND, the PERFORMANCE BOND, AND the LABOR AND MATERIALS BONDS ARE WAIVED for this bid.**

THERE WILL BE A NON- MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING on Tuesday, October 15, 2014 at 10:00 A.M. for this bid at the City Services and Utilities Building located at 555 S. Section Street, Fairhope, Al 36532.

The City of Fairhope is an Equal Opportunity Employer and requires that all **CONTRACTORS** comply with the Equal Employment Opportunity laws and the provisions of the CONTRACT Documents in this regard. The **CITY** also encourages and supports the utilization of Minority Business Enterprises on this and all public bids.

All bids, with their guarantee (when required), must be enclosed in a sealed, opaque envelope, clearly identified on the outside as a "**Sealed Bid**" with **Item Name, Bid Number, City of Fairhope's Name and Address and CONTRACTOR's Name and Address**. Each bid must be in a separate envelope. Bids made out in pencil will not be accepted. Failure to observe the instructions contained herein will constitute grounds for rejection of your bid. The **City** reserves the right to accept or reject all bids or any portion thereof, and to waive informalities and to furnish any item of material or work to change the amount of the CONTRACT, whichever is in the best interest of the City of Fairhope.

The **CONTRACTOR** must furnish to the City of Fairhope at the time of the signing of the CONTRACT a certificate of insurance coverage as provided in the CONTRACT documents which will include comprehensive insurance, CONTRACTOR Automobile Liability Insurance, and where applicable, CITY'S Protective Liability insurance, SUB-CONTRACTOR'S public liability and property damage insurance. The company that is awarded the bid must have Workman's Compensation Insurance on all of its employees if work is to be performed on City of Fairhope premises. General Liability Insurance, specifying coverage, must be maintained to hold the City of Fairhope harmless in the event of an accident. See bid packet for details.

No bids will be considered unless the **CONTRACTOR**, whether resident or non-resident of Alabama, is properly qualified to submit a proposal for this type of work in accordance with all applicable laws of the State of Alabama. Where applicable, this shall include evidence of holding a current license from the State Licensing board for General CONTRACTORS, Montgomery, Alabama, as required by Chapter 8 of Title 34, of the Code of Alabama, 1975. In addition, the awarded vendor, if non-resident of the State, and if a corporation, shall show evidence of having qualified with the Secretary of State to do business in the State of Alabama <http://www.sos.alabama.gov/BusinessServices/ForeignCorps.aspx>; . **CONTRACTOR** must have a current business license or purchase a business license with the City of Fairhope prior to work performed. No bids shall be withdrawn for the period of thirty (30) days subsequent to the opening of proposals without the consent of the City of Fairhope, Baldwin County, Alabama. Once completed, a tabulation of the responsive and responsible bids will be available for public viewing by visiting the following web address: www.cofairhope.com.

Daniel P. Ames,
Purchasing Manager
City of Fairhope

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