## Invitation to Bidders

The FRANKLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS will receive sealed BIDs from any qualified person, company or corporation interested in constructing the:

## **6TH STREET WEST DUNE WALKOVER**

St. George Island, Franklin County, Florida

**DESCRIPTION OF WORK**: The project consists of the demolition and replacement a wooded dune walkover located at 6th Street West, St. George Island, and parking improvements to prevent forward encroachment onto the dunes. The replacement 6th Street West dune walkover (DEP Monument R-81) is a 6-foot wide by 156 feet long wood pile-supported structure. Parking improvements to prevent forward encroachment onto the dunes consisting of re-grading the existing material, installing post and rope fencing, relocating the existing signs and trash receptacles, and installing wheel stops.

BIDs will be received until **4:00 p.m., ET** (local time), on **Monday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025**, at the **Franklin County Office of the Clerk of Court, 33 Market Street, Suite 203, Apalachicola, Florida 32320**. BIDs will be opened and read aloud at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Commission Meeting Room, 34 Forbes Street, Courthouse Annex, on the following day, **Tuesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025**, starting at 09:00 a.m., ET. Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked with **YOUR COMPANY NAME**, **ADDRESS, and "BID – 6<sup>th</sup> Street West Dune Walkover"** on the outside of your envelope and include the original bid plus 0 copies.

The public is invited to attend. The meeting will be live streamed but if anyone would like to participate, they will need to attend in person. All bids shall remain firm for a period of sixty (60) days after the opening. All Bidders shall comply with all applicable State and local laws concerning licensing registration and regulation of contractors doing business to the State of Florida. The bid must conform to Section 287.133(3) Florida Statutes, on public entity crimes.

Bid security in the amount of at least five percent (5%) of the total bid must be submitted with the bid. The bid security may be either a certified check or a proposal guaranty bond executed by a surety company authorized to do business in the State of Florida. Bid security shall be made payable to Franklin County. The successful bidder must be able to furnish a 100% Performance Bond and a 100% Labor and Materials Payment Bond and shall begin execution of this contract within five (5) calendar days following the date of the Notice to Proceed. The completion date for this project will be **a total of 120 days** from the date of the Notice to Proceed presented to the successful Bidder and piles driven by April 30, 2025. Liquidated damages for failure to complete the walkover within the specified **120-days** will be set at \$100.00 per day.

A MANDATORY PRE-BID MEETING for potential bidders will be held in-person on Friday, January 24th, at 10:00 a.m. ET at the Eastpoint Administration Building, 248 Highway 98, Eastpoint, FL 32328.

Any questions must be submitted to Erin Griffith at <u>erin@franklincountyflorida.com</u> by **Monday, January 27th**, at **4:00 p.m. ET (local time)**. The Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to waive informalities in any bid, to accept and/or reject any or all bids, and to accept the bid that in their judgment will be in the best interest of Franklin County.

Digital BIDDING DOCUMENTS can be obtained at no charge from Erin Griffith, Fiscal Manager, at <u>erin@franklincountyflorida.com</u> or from MRD Associates, Inc, at <u>info@mrd-associates.com</u>.