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Hampshire Project : Portsmouth-Kittery 13678F - Bid Item No. 1,
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- NOTICE -

The State of New Hampshire, Department of Transportation will accept sealed bids in the bid box in Conference Room 112, located in the main lobby of the John O. Morton Building, 7 Hazen Drive, Concord, New Hampshire, until 2:00 pm, prevailing time, on the 25th day of August 2011 for the sale and removal of the following historic bridge in the City of Portsmouth, New Hampshire.

DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION



**Memorial Bridge over the Piscataqua River
Portsmouth, New Hampshire
Project: Portsmouth – Kittery 13678F - Bid Item No. 1**

Built in 1923, the Memorial Bridge is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. The bridge is composed of three sections. Interested parties would be able to bid on three (3) sections of the bridge that consists of:

Section A: The Scott Avenue or Portsmouth Approach Span is a five-span, reinforced concrete slab, varying in width between 90' and 134' and in length between 28' and 47'.

Section B: The Memorial Bridge is a three-span, riveted vertical lift bridge composed of high Warren trusses of built-up members. Each span is 297'-1" long, and including the gaps between the spans, has a total length of 900'-0". It is 31'8" wide with one 7'-1" cantilevered sidewalk on each side. The center lift span is balanced by two counterweights, whose wire ropes pass over the four sheaves that move within the steel frame of the two towers on the flanking spans.

Section C: The Kittery approach is composed of ten spans of riveted steel girders fabricated from plates and steel angles, totaling a length of 300'.

The sale does not include any of the plaques and signs on the bridge. The sale is also only on the superstructure components including mechanical and electrical items of the section.

An interested party can bid on any individual section or all of the sections of the bridge noted above.

This sale is for the three (3) sections noted above and does not include any other associated structures or improvements.

The bridge is available for inspection since it is located in a public right-of-way.

This bridge is eligible for the National Register of Historic Places for its engineering significance. **The award of this historic bridge is not dependent on the highest bid.** The successful bidder(s) will be the one whose proposal most satisfactorily meets historic preservation requirements as enunciated in "The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation and Guidelines for Rehabilitating Historic Buildings." **Permanent restrictive covenants regarding**

the preservation and maintenance of this structure must be signed by the successful bidder at closing.

MINIMUM BID: \$1.00 and shall include a proposal describing how the bridge would be dismantled, moved, re-used and preserved, including the location of where the bridge will be moved to as well as a time schedule for the bridge removal and site cleanup.

This sale is "AS IS, AS SHOWN."

Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope and marked "**BID FOR PORTSMOUTH ITEM NO. 1,**" and received by **August 25, 2011,** by 2:00 pm prevailing time in Conference Room 112 of the JO Morton Building, New Hampshire Department of Transportation and at the address, date and time mentioned above, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. The Department, however, will not determine the successful bidder until all submitted proposals are reviewed. All bidders will be notified of results within two (2) weeks after bid opening. The successful bidder(s) will save the State of New Hampshire, its agents and employees harmless from any and all claims or demands of any nature.

Bid items shall be placed in a sealed envelope plainly marked to indicate its contents and addressed to the Department at the address shown on the Invitation for Bids. Sealed bid items shall be received and deposited in the Bid Box at the location specified prior to the time and date specified in the Invitation for Bids. It shall be the bidder(s) responsibility to ensure the bid items are deposited as specified. Bid items delivered to the Department by alternate means are submitted at the sole risk of the bidder(s). **The Department will not accept responsibility for any reason if the bid items are not deposited in the Bid Box by the specified time and date. Bid items received after the time for opening of bids will be returned to the bidder(s) unopened.**

Bids must be accompanied by a certified check made payable to **BOTH** the "**Treasurer, State of New Hampshire or (bidder(s) name),**" in the amount of ten (10%) percent of the bid; balance due following approval of this sale by the Governor and Executive Council, which takes four (4) to six (6) weeks after the bid opening. Cash cannot be accepted. Only one (1) bid dollar amount can be accepted from each bidder(s) per item. All bids must be in conformance with New Hampshire Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction, approved and adopted in 2006. Bid forms are available upon request from Phillip J. Miles or Linda Clifford at the Bureau of Right-of-Way, Room 100, John O. Morton Building, Concord, New Hampshire. Tel: (603) 271-3222. Additional information concerning the bridge structure should be addressed to Robert Landry, PE, Bureau of Bridge Design, New Hampshire Department of Transportation at (603) 271- 2731. Bid package information including copies of the location map, bridge plans, inspection reports, the New Hampshire Historic Property Documentation, historic covenants, and bid form are also available on the Department's website under: <http://www.nh.gov/dot/org/projectdevelopment/bridgedesign/documents.htm>

Funds up to the estimated cost of demolishing the structure up to the amounts listed below are available for moving and reconstruction of each section of the bridge as follows

Section A: Fifty thousand (\$50,000.00) dollars
Section B: Two million (\$2,000,000.00) dollars
Section C: Fifty thousand (\$50,000.00) dollars

The successful bidder must remove the structure from State owned land. **A fifty thousand (\$50,000) dollar deposit per section will be required from the successful bidder and will be returned upon the approved site cleanup.** The site cleanup includes the removal of the superstructure components and includes any of the mechanical and electrical lift components. All rubbish and debris will be removed and the site will be left in a clean and safe condition within sixty (60) days from start of removal. The removal and cleanup of the bridge must be completed by April 1, 2012. The deposit will be returned upon the final inspection and approval of the site by the State. The return of this deposit takes approximately two (2) to three (3) weeks after approval. The Department of Transportation reserves the right to retain this site cleanup deposit if the site is deemed unsatisfactory, unsafe, or if the work is not completed within the given timeframe. The State shall be the sole judge of what shall constitute a satisfactory cleanup and shall work with the bidder to ensure a clean, safe, and acceptable site. Any questions regarding the scope of work in regards to the site cleanup should be addressed to Nickie Hunter, of the Bureau of Construction at (603) 271-2571.

The Department will apply for a wetland permit to accomplish the work indicated on the plans for Portsmouth – Kittery 13678F project and anticipates having the permit around September 2011. The successful bidder will need to apply and acquire their own permit for any work impacting wetlands prior to receiving the Department's wetland permit. The successful bidder would need to apply sufficiently in advance for any additional Wetland Bureau or Corps of Engineers Permits or modification to the existing permit necessary due to the contractor's method of construction (bridge removal) or other work not shown on the plans. Prior to submission to the Wetland Bureau or Corps of Engineers, it will be necessary to have additional

impact reviewed by the Bureau of Construction and the Bureau of Environment. The Department's permit is only for the work shown on the record plan. A Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) and monitoring of the plan will be required to assure that any detrimental impacts are minimized to the extent practical.

Historic Covenant information and questions concerning these covenants should be addressed to Joyce McKay, Bureau of Environment, New Hampshire Department of Transportation at (603) 271-3226.

The State reserves the right to waive any informalities and/or reject any and all bids for any reason whatsoever.

Upon receipt of the total bid and approval by the Governor and Executive Council, the Department will issue a Bill of Sale.

There are maximum dimensions that will be allowed to pass over State highways. The successful bidder may be required to obtain a permit from the New Hampshire Department of Transportation Permit Office at (603) 271-2693. The bidder will also be responsible for all permits regarding wetlands.

DATED CONCORD, NH THIS
26th_DAY OF July 2011

David J. Brillhart, P.E.
Assistant Commissioner