

28-11. Bids; contracts.

(A) Except as permitted by this Section, [the Commission shall,] before proceeding with construction of any project or projects in a subdistrict, THE COMMISSION SHALL solicit, in the name of the District, competitive sealed bids for such construction, as a whole[,] or in parts, as in its judgment may seem advisable.

(B) Notice of the solicitation of [such] bids shall be published IN AT LEAST 1 GENERAL CIRCULATION NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED IN THE COUNTY at least once in each of [two] 2 successive weeks next preceding the date [upon] ON which [said] THE bids will be received [in at least one newspaper published and of general circulation in the County] and in [such] WHATEVER other newspapers or technical journals [as] THAT the Commission [shall deem proper] DIRECTS. [Said] THE notice shall describe briefly:

(1) [the] THE project, [or] projects, or parts [thereof,] OF PROJECTS for which single or separate bids will be entertained[,];

(2) [the] THE time and place for receipt of bids[,];

(3) [the] THE place where plans, specifications, bid and contract forms may be examined or obtained[,]; and [such other]

(4) THE information [as] THAT the Commission [may deem] CONSIDERS necessary or desirable to place all prospective bidders on an equal footing.

(C) In [any such] bid documents, the Commission shall clearly reserve the right to reject any and all bids; [but no] A contract [shall] MAY NOT be awarded pursuant [thereto] TO THE BIDS, except to the lowest responsible bidder[,] whose bid is legally acceptable. If the Commission rejects all such bids, it may re-advertise for new bids in the manner [herein] prescribed[,] IN THIS SECTION for all or any part of the work and may elect to cause any part not so re-advertised[,] to be constructed as an improvement[, as hereinafter permitted]. All contracts awarded by the Commission shall be protected by [such] bonds, penalties and conditions [as] REQUIRED BY THE Commission [may require] in the bid documents[, all of which shall be enforceable by the]. THE District MAY ENFORCE BONDS, PENALTIES, AND CONDITIONS in any court of competent jurisdiction. [In addition, the Commission may, without] WITHOUT advertising for or receiving bids, THE COMMISSION [expend] MAY not EXPEND more than [ten thousand dollars] \$10,000 for any [one] 1 improvement. (1957 Code, sec. 538. 1957, ch. 694, sec. 884; 1961, ch. 743, sec. 538.)

28-12. Special benefit assessments.