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Halifax Regional Council May 29, 2007

TO:

Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

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for Mike Labrecque, P.Eng., Director, Transportation and Public Works

DATE:

May 15, 2007

SUBJECT:

Award - Unit Price Tender No. 07-241, New Sidewalk, St. Margaret's

Bay Road - West Region

ORIGIN

The Approved 2007/08 Capital Budget

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Council:

- 1. approve the recovery of Local Improvement Charges for the new concrete sidewalk and new curb and gutter on St. Margaret's Bay Road West Region by a mapped area rate for District 22;
- 2. award Tender No. 07-241, New Sidewalk, St. Margaret's Bay Road West Region to Dexter Construction Company Limited for a Total Tender Price of \$193,101.94 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account No. CJU00785 New Sidewalks, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

Council Report

The Approved 2007/08 Capital Budget includes funds for the installation of a new sidewalk on St. Margaret's Bay Road from Maplewood Drive to Civic No. 2382.

DISCUSSION

Tenders were called on April 21, 2007 and closed on May 2, 2007. Bids were received from the following companies:

Name of Company	Bid Price (Net HST Included)
Dexter Construction Company Limited Amber Contracting Limited Harbour Construction Company Limited Ocean Contractors Limited W. Eric Whebby Ltd. Humphreys Landscape and Construction Ltd. Allterain Landscaping Inc. A.C.L. Construction Lafarge Canada Inc. Basin Contracting Limited	\$193,101.94* \$199,137.03 \$224,270.27 \$269,018.83 \$283,395.46 \$296,849.09 \$330,884.11 \$331,236.96 \$359,415.78 \$455,387.54
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*recommended bidder

The scope of work for this tender generally consists of the installation of concrete curb and gutter, concrete sidewalk, storm sewer and associated reinstatement.

It is anticipated that work will commence within three weeks of the tender award and take six weeks to complete.

This is a **UNIT PRICE** contract and the cost will be dependent upon the actual quantities measured and approved by the HRM Project Manager.

The installation of new concrete curb and gutter and concrete sidewalk is subject to Local Improvement Charges. As requested by Councillor Rankin, Local Improvement Charges will be based on a charge per foot of frontage, and will be recovered by a mapped area rate of District 22 (See Attached). On April 25, 2006, Halifax Regional Council approved a blended actual costs approach in determining the rate of Local Improvement Charges. The rate will be set once all the tenders have been completed and the final costs determined.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$193,101.94, including net HST, funding is available in the Approved 2007/08 Capital Budget from Account No. CJU00785 - New Sidewalks. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

Budget Summary: <u>Capital Account No. CJU00785 - New Sidewalks</u>

 Cumulative Unspent Budget
 \$1,493,384

 Less: Tender No. 07-241
 \$ 193,102*

 Balance
 \$1,300,282

The balance of funds will be used to implement the remaining 2007/08 new sidewalk projects approved by Council.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES/BUSINESS PLAN

This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

ALTERNATIVES

There are no recommended alternatives to this course of action.

ATTACHMENT

Mapped Area, District 22.

^{*} This project was estimated in the Approved 2007/08 Capital Budget at \$350,000.

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