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Halifax Regional Council
July 3, 2007

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:



Dan English, Chief Administrative Officer



Wayne Anstey, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer - Operations

DATE: June 15, 2007

SUBJECT: **Award - Unit Price Tender No. 07-256, Paving Renewal and New Sidewalk, Smokey Drive - Central 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 on Smokey Drive - Central Region by an area rate for a portion of District 19;
2. award Tender No. 07-256, Paving Renewal and New Sidewalk, Smokey Drive - Central Region to Ocean Contractors Limited for material and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Total Tender Price of \$422,507.46 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account No. CYU00784 - Paving Renewal Program and Capital Account No. CJU00785 - New Sidewalks, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

The Approved 2007/08 Capital Budget includes funds for the paving renewal and new sidewalk on Smokey Drive from Glendale Drive to Civic 52.

DISCUSSION

Tenders were called on May 26, 2007 and closed on June 8, 2007. Bids were received from the following companies:

<u>Name of Company</u>	<u>Bid Price (Net HST Included)</u>
Ocean Contractors Limited	\$422,507.46*
Lafarge Canada Inc.	\$458,707.61
Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$458,707.61
Basin Contracting Limited	\$554,007.09

***recommended bidder**

The scope of work for this tender generally consists of the construction of a new concrete sidewalk and installation of new concrete curb and gutter, new asphalt and associated reinstatement on Smokey Drive.

It is anticipated that work will commence within three weeks of the tender award and take seven 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 sidewalk is subject to Local Improvement Charges. As requested by Councillor Johns, Local Improvement Charges will be recovered by the levy of an area rate for a portion of District 19, as shown on the attached map. 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 \$422,507.46, including net HST, funding is available in the Approved 2007/08 Capital Budget from Account No. CYU00784 - Paving Renewal Program and Capital Account No. CJU00785 - New Sidewalks. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

Budget Summary: Capital Account No. CYU00784, Paving Renewal Program

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$3,019,084
Less: Tender No. 07-256	<u>\$ 225,050 *</u>
Balance	\$2,794,034

Capital Account No. CJU00785 - New Sidewalks

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$1,479,269
Less: Tender No. 07-256	<u>\$ 197,457 *</u>
Balance	\$1,281,812

* This project was estimated in the Approved 2007/08 Capital Budget at \$250,000 and \$240,000 respectively.

The balance of funds will be used to implement the remaining 2007/08 Paving Renewal Program and 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.

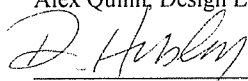
ATTACHMENT

Map showing portion of District 19 to be affected by area rate.

A copy of this report can be obtained online at <http://www.halifax.ca/council/agendasc/agenda.html> then choose the appropriate meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax at 490-4208.

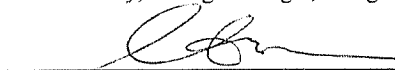
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Report Approved by:



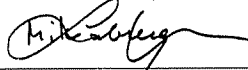
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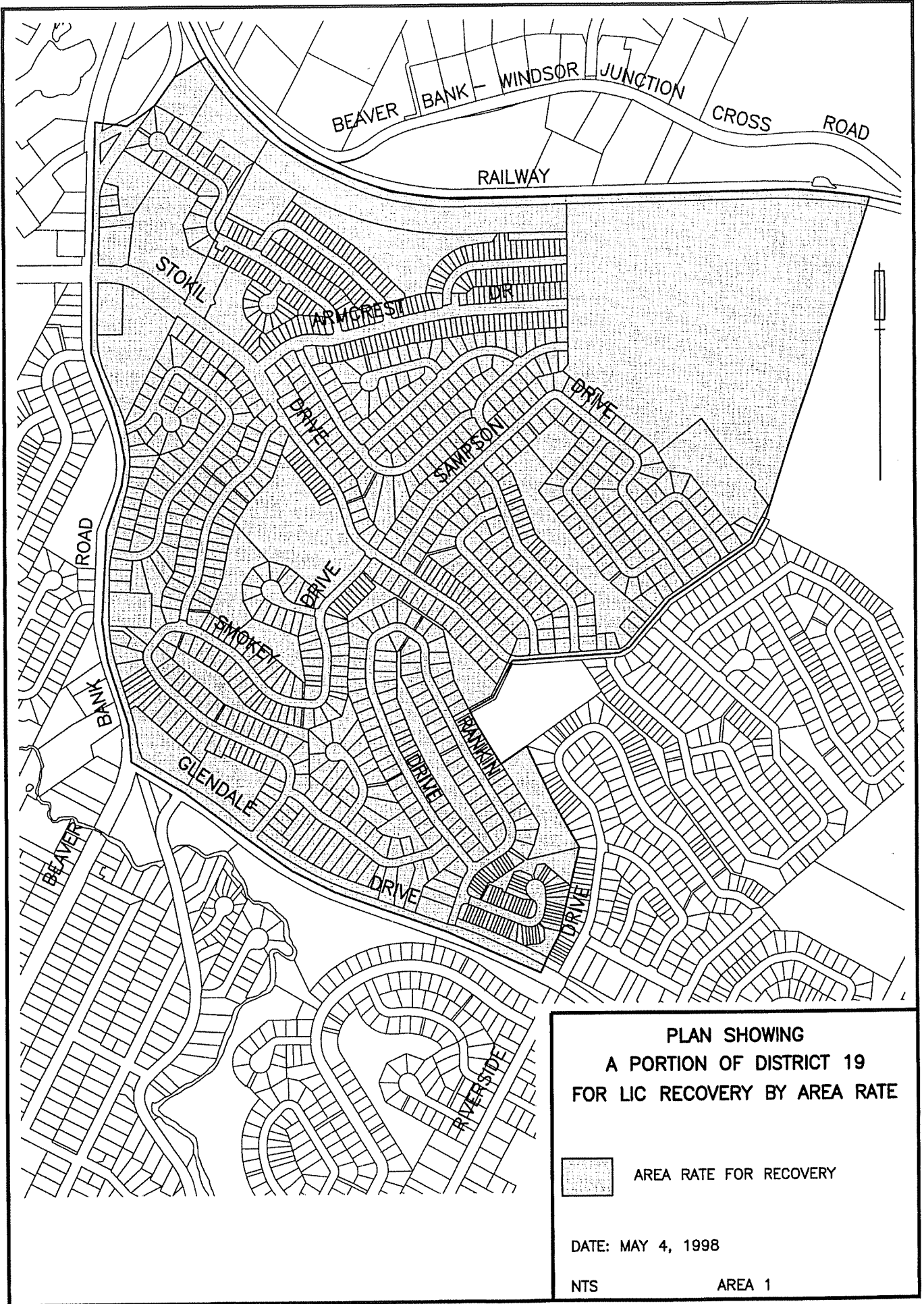
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**PLAN SHOWING
A PORTION OF DISTRICT 19
FOR LIC RECOVERY BY AREA RATE**

 AREA RATE FOR RECOVERY

DATE: MAY 4, 1998

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AREA 1