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TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

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SUBMITTED BY:

Dan English, Chief Administrative Officer

Wayne Anstey, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer - Operations

DATE: April 25, 2008

SUBJECT: Award - Unit Price Tender No. 08-235, Traffic Signal Installation -

Akerley Boulevard and John Savage Avenue - East Region

ORIGIN

The Approved 2008/09 Capital Budget.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council award Tender No. 08-235, Traffic Signal Installation - Akerley Boulevard and John Savage Avenue - East Region to Black and McDonald Limited for a Total Tender Price of \$302,010.61 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account No. CTU01085 - Traffic Signal Installation and Account No. CTU00561 - Traffic Signal Installation, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

The Approved 2008/09 Capital Budget includes funds for the Traffic Signal Installation - Akerley Boulevard at John Savage Avenue.

DISCUSSION

Tenders were called on April 5, 2008 and closed on April 18, 2008. Bids were received from the following companies:

| Name of Company | <u>Bid Price</u> (Net HST Included) | |
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| Black and McDonald Limited | \$302,010.61* | |
| Dexter Construction Company | \$368,827.81 | |
| XL Electric Limited | \$371,725.92 | |

*Recommended Bidder

The scope of work for this tender generally consists of the installation of new traffic signals including pedestrian countdown signals, an advanced warning flashers sign and some curb setback.

It is anticipated that work will commence within 10 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.

There are no Local Improvement Charges associated with this work.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$302,011, including net HST, funding is available in the Approved Advanced 2008/09 Capital Budget from Account No. CTU01085 - Traffic Signal Installation and Account No. CTU00561 - Traffic Signal Installation. The budget availability has been confirmed by Financial Services.

| Budget Summary: | Capital Account No. CTU01085, Traffic Signal Installation | |
|------------------------|---|---|
| | Cumulative Unspent Budget Less: Tender No. 08-235 Balance | \$ 174,541 \$ 168,754 * \$ 5,787 |

Budget Summary: <u>Capital Account No. CTU00561, Traffic Signal Installation</u>

 Cumulative Unspent Budget
 \$ 189,542

 Less: Tender No. 08-235
 \$ 133,257 *

 Balance
 \$ 56,285

The balance of funds will be used to implement the remaining 2008/09 Traffic 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.

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^{*} This project was estimated in the Approved Advanced 2008/09 Capital Budget at \$400,000.