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Item No. 10.1.1

**Halifax Regional Council
November 25, 2008**

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

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SUBMITTED BY:

Dan English, Chief Administrative Officer

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Wayne Anstey, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer - Operations

DATE: November 5, 2008

SUBJECT: Award - Tender No. 08-184 Lighting & Electrical - Stratford Gardens

ORIGIN

Approved from 2008/09 Capital Budgets

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council award Tender No. 08-184 - Lighting & Electrical-Stratford Gardens to Ainsworth Atlantic for a Total Tender Price of \$129,961.35 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account Nos. CCV00660 - District 10 Capital Funds, CP300750 - Building Communities Capital Funds, and CP300867 - District 10 Building Community Funds, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

The tender is for the supply and installation of park lighting in Stratford Gardens, located off Stratford Way in Clayton Park. This is one phase of many in the full development of the Stratford Gardens which, when completed, will be comprised of a green belt plus 3.5 acres of active and passive spaces, paths, park furnishings, trees and other lower vegetation, gazebo and pergola, and other park amenities. This light system will provide the visitors year round enjoyment of the park in the evening until automatic shut off, as per the HRM park bylaw.

Planning and development of the Stratford Gardens has been an ongoing project since 1998, starting with a playground, a layer of mineral base over the crushed rock surface, sod and fence. In 2007, the community approved the final concept plan now being implemented. The Stratford Gardens also hosts the Korean War Veterans Memorial Gardens built in 2006 and donated by the Nova Scotia South Korean Association and supported by Councillor Mary Wile.

Projected date for the completion of the Stratford Gardens is 2010.

DISCUSSION

The tender was publically advertised October 4 and 8, 2008 and closed October 21, 2008. A pre bidding site meeting was held October 9, 2008

Company	Lump Sump Price (Before Net HST)	Total Cost (Incl Net HST)
Ainsworth Atlantic*	\$125,652.72	\$129,961.35
Black & MacDonald Ltd.	\$142,755.00	\$147,650.07
XL Electric Ltd.	\$151,380.50	\$156,571.34

* Recommended bidder.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Budget Summary:	Capital Account No.CCV00660 - District 10 Capital Funds
	Reservations 763.2, 1301.1, 1476.1
	Cumulative Unspent Budget \$ 113,025.17
	Less: Tender No. 08-184 <u>\$ 90,545.16</u>
	Balance \$ 22,480.01

**Capital Account No. CP300750 - Building Communities Capital Funds
Reservation 863.2**

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$ 22,036.32
Less: Tender No. 08-184	<u>\$ 19,569.37</u>
Balance	\$ 2,466.95

**Capital Account No. CP300867 - Building Community Funds
Reservation 1183.1**

Cumulative Unspent budget	\$ 19,847.42
Less: Tender 08-184	<u>\$ 19,846.82</u>
Balance	\$.60

Budget availability has been confirmed by Financial Services.

* This project was estimated in the Approved 2008/09 Capital Budget at \$103,223.00.

The balance of funds will be used for the continuing development of the Stratford Gardens.

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


Council could decide not to award this tender, however, this is not the recommended alternative. Not awarding this tender would not meet the community's recommendations in the level of development of the park (garden).

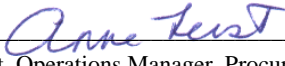
ATTACHMENTS

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