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> Halifax Regional Council August 1, 2006

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY: Dan English, Chief Administrative Officer

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Wayne Anstey, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer - Operations

**DATE:** July 20, 2006

**SUBJECT:** Award of Unit Price Tender No. 06-232, Intersection Improvements:

Beaver Bank Road at Beaver Bank / Windsor Junction Cross Road -

**Central Region** 

### **ORIGIN**

The Approved 2005/06 and 2006/07 Capital Budgets.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that Council:

- 1. award Tender No. 06-232, Intersection Improvements: Beaver Bank Road at Beaver Bank / Windsor Junction Cross Road Central Region to Dexter Construction Company Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$129,803 including net HST from Capital Account No. CTR00905, Intersection Improvement Program, Capital Account No. CJU00719, New Sidewalks 2005/06 and Capital Account No. CJU00785, New Sidewalks 2006/07, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications Section of this report.
- 2. authorize payment to Windsor Hantsport Railway Company of the actual cost of the supply and installation of automatic warning device signals and track modifications up to a maximum of \$244,000 including net HST from Capital Account No. CTR00905, Intersection Improvement Program, Capital Account No. CJU00719, New Sidewalks 2005/06 and Capital Account No. CJU00785, New Sidewalks 2006/07, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications Section of this report.

# Council Report

## **BACKGROUND**

The Approved 2005/06 and 2006/07 Capital Budgets included funds for improvements to the intersection of Beaver Bank Road and the Beaver Bank / Windsor Junction Cross Road.

## **DISCUSSION**

Tenders were called on June 17, 2006 and closed on June 28, 2006. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

	<b>Bid Price</b>
1. Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$125,500.00
2. Lafarge Canada Inc.	\$173,100.00
3. Ocean Contractors Limited	\$200,000.00
4. Basin Contracting Limited	\$237,015.00

The scope of work for this tender generally consists of the widening of Beaver Bank Road to accommodate a turning lane at the Beaver Bank / Windsor Junction Cross Road including the placement of road gravels, asphaltic concrete, concrete curb and gutter, concrete sidewalk, drainage adjustments and associated reinstatement. As a result of the road widening, Transport Canada requires the installation of automatic warning device signals and associated conduit. The cost of the signals, as submitted by Windsor Hantsport Railway, is estimated at \$244,000.

It is anticipated that work will commence within three weeks of the tender award and take twenty 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 \$129,803 including net HST and \$244,000 for payment to Windsor Hantsport Railway Company for a total project cost of \$373,803, funding is available in the Approved 2005/06 and 2006/07 Capital Budgets from Account No.'s: CTR00905, Intersection Improvement Program; CJU00719, New Sidewalks 2005/06 and CJU00785, New Sidewalks 2006/07. The budget availability has been confirmed by Financial Services.

## Budget Summary Account No. CTR00905, Intersection Improvement Program

Approved Funding 05/06	\$1,428,647
Less: Tender 06-232	\$ 90,971 *
Less: Railway Services	<u>\$ 122,000 *</u>
Remaining Unspent Budget	\$1,215,676

## Account No. CJU00719, New Sidewalks 2005/06

Approved Funding 06/07	\$947,766
Less: Tender 06-232	\$ 29,000 *
Less: Railway Services	\$ 61,000 *
Remaining Unspent Budget	\$857,766

## Account No. CJU00785, New Sidewalks 2006/07

Approved Funding 06/07	\$571,294
Less: <b>Tender 06-232</b>	\$ 9,832 *
Less: Railway Services	\$ 61,000 *
Remaining Unspent Budget	\$500,462

<sup>\*</sup> The projects included in this tender were estimated by Staff at \$400,000.

The remaining funds from these accounts are required to implement the remaining intersection improvements 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.

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