

**Halifax Regional Council**  
**June 20, 2006**

**TO:** Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

**SUBMITTED BY:**

  
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Dan English, Chief Administrative Officer

  
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Wayne Anstey, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer - Operations

**DATE:** June 9, 2006

**SUBJECT:** **Award of Unit Price Tender No. 06-243, Cavalier Drive (School Entrance to Polara Drive) - Central Region**

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**ORIGIN**

The Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that Council:

1. approve an increase in the Gross Budget for Capital Account No. CJU00785, New Sidewalks by \$11,661 with no change to the Net Budget to reflect cost sharing of the water main related work from the Halifax Regional Water Commission;
2. approve the recovery of Local Improvement Charges for the new concrete sidewalk on Cavalier Drive - Central Region by an area rate for District 20;
3. award Tender No. 06-243, Cavalier Drive (School Entrance to Polara Drive) - Central Region to Ocean Contractors Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$303,047 including net HST from Capital Account No. CJU00785, New Sidewalks, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications Section of this report.

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**BACKGROUND**

The Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget included funds for the New Sidewalk on Cavalier Drive from Cavalier Drive School Entrance to Polara Drive.

**DISCUSSION**

Tenders were called on May 13, 2006 and closed on May 26, 2006. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

	<b><u>Bid Price</u></b>
1. Ocean Contractors Limited	\$293,000.00
2. Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$354,600.00
3. Basin Contracting Limited	\$446,787.50
4. Lafarge Canada Inc.	\$448,650.00

The scope of work for this tender generally consists of the construction of new concrete sidewalk and the replacement of the existing concrete curb with new concrete curb and gutter along the south side of Cavalier Drive.

It is anticipated that work will commence within three weeks of the tender award and take 9 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 Harvey, Local Improvement Charges will be based on a charge per foot of frontage, and will be recovered by a general area rate of District 20. 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 \$293,000, plus net HST for a total project cost of \$303,047, funding is available in the Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget from Account No. CJU00785, New Sidewalks. The budget availability has been confirmed by Financial Services.

**Budget Summary:****Account No. CJU00785, New Sidewalks**

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$1,454,644
Plus: Cost-Sharing HRWC	11,661
Less: Tender 06-243	303,047*
Less: Tender 06-251	<u>248,126</u>
Remaining Balance	\$ 915,132

\* This project was estimated in the Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget at \$445,000. As a result of cost sharing from HRWC the net cost to Account No. CJU00785 is \$291,386.

The remaining funds from this account are required to implement the remaining 2006/07 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, and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation. If approved, this will increase the 2006/07 Capital Budget.

**ALTERNATIVES**

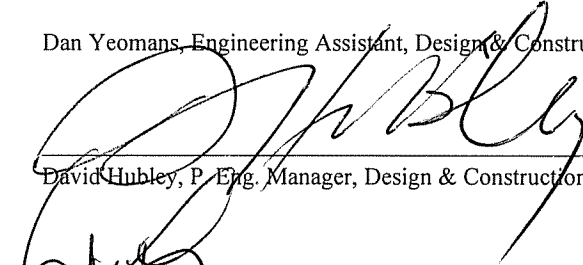
There are no recommended alternatives.

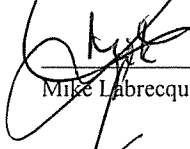
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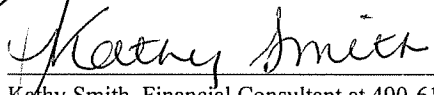
Letter of agreement with Halifax Regional Water Commission

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**MEMORANDUM**

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FROM: Dan Yeomans, Design & Construction Services

DATE: May 30, 2006

SUBJECT: **Tender No. 06-243, Cavalier Drive (School Entrance to Polara Drive) Central Region**

Tender 06-243 Cavalier Drive (School Entrance to Polara Drive) Central Region closed May 26, 2006. Prior to tender award, a cost sharing agreement must be finalized between HRM and HRWC. You have received a bid comparison summary for the items associated with the water main renewal for this project. They are from the lowest bidder, Ocean Contracting Limited.


In the most recent discussions on this subject, HRWC has agreed to pay the cost of relocating the water infrastructure that is in conflict with the project. For this tender this includes relocating four fire hydrants at a total cost including Net HST of \$11,661.

Actual cost sharing for this project will be based on final quantities determined during construction.

If you agree to this arrangement, please indicate by signing below and returning it to me. If you have any questions, please call me at 490-6822.

Thank you.

Dan Yeomans  
Engineering Assistant

  
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 Harold MacNeil, P.Eng.  
 Halifax Regional Water Commission

*June 05, 2006*  
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