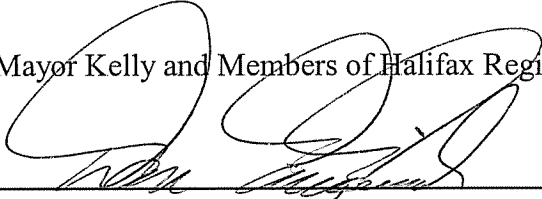


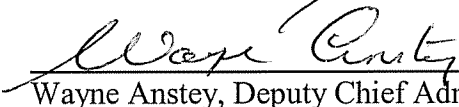
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Halifax Regional Council
June 13, 2006

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 1, 2006

SUBJECT: **Capital Budget Increase and Award of Tender- 06-154**
Shannon Park School Playground - Supply and Installation

ORIGIN

1. In accordance with the Multi-Year Financial Strategy, any increases to the capital budget must be approved by Council.
2. Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget:
Capital Account No. CP300850 Playground Upgrades and Replacement
Capital Account No. CP300867 - Building Communities Funds - District 6
Approved 2005/06 Capital Budget:
Capital Account No. CCV00655 District 5 Capital District Funds
Capital Account No. CP300750 Building Communities Funds - District 9

RECOMMENDATION

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT:

1. Council approve an increase in the Gross Capital Budget to Capital Account No. CP300850 by \$40,000 with no change to the Net Budget, to reflect the additional funds from the Shannon Park Enhancement Committee, as per the Background section of this report.
2. Council award Tender No. 06-154 Shannon Park School Playground Supply and Installation to PlayPower LT Canada Inc., for materials and services specified, for a total tender price of \$63,698.00, including net HST, with funding from Capital Account No. CP300850, Capital Account No. CP300867, Capital Account No. CCV00665, and Capital Account No. CP300750, as per Budget Implications section of this report.

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BACKGROUND

Shannon Park Elementary School is located in North Dartmouth and houses the French Emersion Program for the Dartmouth area. Currently the school has a student population of 461. The play equipment at this site was removed in the Fall of 2005, due to safety concerns.

Funding for this project was included in the Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget from Capital Account No. CP300850 - Playground Upgrades and Replacement (\$30,000) and Capital Account No. CP300867 Building Communities Funds District 6 (\$2,000), as well as Approved 2005/06 Capital Budget from Capital Account No. CCV00655 District 5 Capital District Funds (\$2,000), Capital Account No. CP300750 Building Communities Funds - District 9 (\$25,000). In addition to these funds, the Shannon Park Enhancement Committee has been raising money to cost share in the project and have \$40,000 to contribute to the project, with \$4500 of these funds contributed by HRM Councillors.

DISCUSSION

Tenders were publicly advertised on April 22 and 26th 2006 the tender closed on May 10th 2006. Bids were received from the following bidders:

<i>Company</i>	<i>Lump Sum Price (Before net HST)</i>	<i>Total Cost (incl. net HST)</i>
<i>PlayPower LT Canada Inc</i>	<i>\$61,586.34</i>	<i>\$63,698.14</i>
<i>Humphreys Landscape and Construction Ltd.</i>	<i>\$62,713.90</i>	<i>\$64,864.36</i>
<i>Teak Tree Enterprises Ltd.</i>	<i>\$76,114.00</i>	<i>\$78,723.95</i>
<i>Elmsdale Landscaping Limited</i>	<i>\$87,299.48</i>	<i>\$90,292.98</i>

A submission from Canadian Maritime Engineering was rejected as it did not meet the specifications.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Increasing the Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget for Capital Account No. CP300850 - Playground Upgrades and Replacements, in the amount of \$40,000, to reflect the additional funds from the Shannon Park School Enhancement Committee will not change the Net Budget.

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Further, based on the lowest tendered price of \$63,698.00, including net HST, funding is available from Capital Account No. CP300850 - Playground Upgrades and Replacement (\$34,698.00) and Capital Account No. CP300867 Building Communities Funds District 6 (\$2,000), as well as Approved 2005/06 Capital Budget from Capital Account No. CCV00655 District 5 Capital District Funds (\$2,000), Capital Account No. CP300750 Building Communities Funds - District 9 (\$25,000). The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

Budget Summary: Capital Account No. CP300850 Res # 1041 Item # 3 Playground Upgrades and Replacements

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$30,000.00
Add: Increased Additional Funds	\$ 40,000.00
Less: Tender No. 06-154	<u>\$ 34,698.00</u>
Balance	\$ 35,302.00

Budget Summary: Capital Account No. CP300867 Res # 1149 Item # 3 Building Communities Funds - District 6

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$13,000.00
Less: Tender No. 06-154	<u>\$ 2,000.00</u>
Balance	\$ 11,000.00

Budget Summary: Capital Account No. CCV00655 Res # 1161 District 5 Capital District Funds

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$34,595.00
Less: Tender No. 06-154	<u>\$ 2,000.00</u>
Balance	\$ 32,595.00

Budget Summary: Capital Account No. CP300750 Res # 937 Building Communities Funds - District 9

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$26,231.00
Less: Tender No. 06-154	<u>\$25,000.00</u>
Balance	\$ 1,231.00

The remaining funds are to be used towards the purchase and installation of a second playground structure.

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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

Council can choose not to approve the increase to the Capital Budget and not award of this tender. This is not recommended by staff.

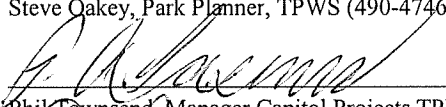
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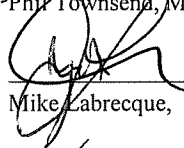
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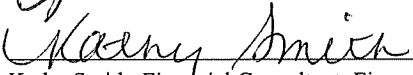
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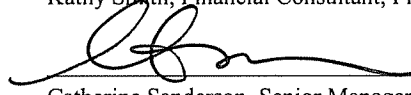
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