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> Halifax Regional Council May 9, 2006

TO:

Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

Dan English, Chief Administrative Officer

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DATE:

April 27, 2006

SUBJECT:

Award of Unit Price Tender 06-041 - Traffic Signal Controllers and

Cabinets

ORIGIN

The Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council award Tender 06-041, Traffic Signal Controllers and Cabinets to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, Electromega Limited for materials listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$147,548.50 plus net HST from Capital Account numbers CTU00337, Controller Cabinet Replacement and CTU00422 Traffic Signal Compliance Program, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

Traffic signal cabinets hold the electronic hardware, including controllers, which operate traffic signals. Many cabinets are now approaching their life expectancy and/or are too small to hold the components required to run today's more advanced phasing plans, communication hardware, and the Opticom emergency vehicle detection system. The Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget includes funds for the replacement of traffic signal cabinets and controllers and traffic signal upgrades under the Traffic Signal Compliance program.

DISCUSSION

Tenders for this project were first advertised March 16, 2006 and closed on March 31, 2006. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

<u>Item 1 :Traffic Signal Cabinets:</u>

Name of Company Bid Price (net HST included))

Electromega Limited \$ 97,881.56* Novax Industries \$ 130,171.60

<u>Item 2 : Traffic Signal Controllers:</u>

Name of Company Bid Price(net HST included)

Electromega Limited \$49,666.94*

Note: Novax Industries were unable to submit a bid on the traffic controllers as they do not have a unit that meets HRM's specifications.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$142,656.50 plus net HST for a total cost of \$147,548.190, funding is available in the Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget from Account Nos. CTU00337, Controller Cabinet Replacement and CTU00422 Traffic Signal Compliance Program. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

^{*}recommended bidder

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Budget Summary:

Account No. CTU00337, Controller Cabinet Replacement

Cumulative Unspent budget \$168,006.00 Less: Tender No. 06-041 \$79,370.07 Remaining Balance \$88,635.93

Account No. CTU00422, Traffic Signal Compliance Program

Cumulative Unspent budget \$180,959.00 Less: Tender No. 06-041 \$68,178.12 Remaining Balance \$11,780.88

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.

A copy of this report can be obtained online at http://www.halifax.ca/council/agendasc/cagenda.html then choose the appropriate meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

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