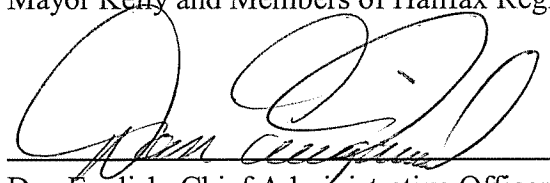


Halifax Regional Council
June 13, 2006

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 2, 2006

SUBJECT: Award of Unit Price Tender No. 06-248, Traffic Signal Upgrades,
Dunbrack Street at Kearney Lake Road - West Region & Pleasant
Street at Highway 111 (Circumferential Highway) - East Region

ORIGIN

The Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council award Tender No. 06-248, Traffic Signal Upgrades, Dunbrack Street at Kearney Lake Road - West Region & Pleasant Street at Highway 111 (Circumferential Highway) - East Region to XL Electric Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$115,519.32 including net HST from the Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget from Account Nos. CTU00422, Traffic Signal Compliance Program and CTU00419, Traffic Signal Rehabilitation Program, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

The Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget includes funds for the replacement of existing traffic signals and for the upgrading/modernization of existing aging traffic signal equipment within the municipality. Both intersections in this report meet or exceed the warrants for improvements.

DISCUSSION

Tenders for this project were called on May 3, 2006 and closed on May 17, 2006. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

	<u>Bid Price</u>
1. XL Electric Limited	\$115,519.32
2. Black & McDonald Limited	\$131,806.00

The scope of work for this tender generally consists of the replacement and/or upgrading of the existing traffic signal equipment at both intersections.

It is anticipated that work will commence in August 2006 and take 6 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 \$115,519.32, plus net HST, for a total project cost of \$119,481, funding is available in the Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget from Account Nos. CTU00422, Traffic Signal Compliance Program and CTU00419, Traffic Signal Rehabilitation Program. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

Budget Summary: **2006/07 Account No. CTU00422, Traffic Signal Compliance Program**
Pleasant Street at Highway 111 (Circumferential Highway)

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$162,931
Less: Tender No. 06-248	<u>\$ 56,130*</u>
	<u>\$106,801</u>

2006/07 Account No. CTU00419, Traffic Signal Rehabilitation Program
Dunbrack Street at Kearney Lake Road

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$254,987
Less: Tender No. 06-248	<u>\$ 63,351</u>**
	\$191,636

* This project was estimated in the Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget at \$50,000.

** This project was estimated in the Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget at \$100,000.

The remaining funds from these accounts are required to implement the other traffic related projects approved by Council.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES/BUSINESS PLAN

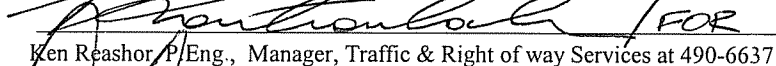
This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

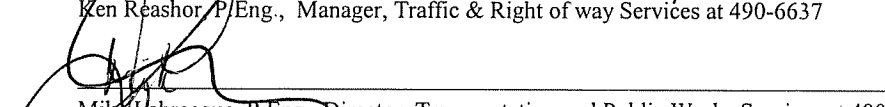
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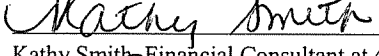
There are no recommended alternatives to this course of action.

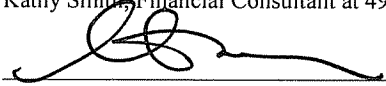
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