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Halifax Regional Council
September 27, 2005

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

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Wayne Anstey, A/Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: September 14, 2005

SUBJECT: **Award of Unit Price Tender No. 05-279, Traffic Signal Upgrades,
Bedford Highway at Kearney Lake Road and Bayview Road - West
Region**

ORIGIN

Approved 2005/06 Capital Budget.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council award Tender No. 05-279, Traffic Signal Upgrades, Bedford Highway at Kearney Lake Road and Bayview Road - West Region to Black & McDonald Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$106,943 including net HST from Capital Account No. CTU00422, Traffic Signal Compliance Program, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

The Approved 2005/06 Capital Budget includes funds for the replacement of existing traffic signals and for the upgrading / modernization of existing aging traffic signal equipment.

DISCUSSION

Tenders for this project were called on July 30, 2005 and closed on August 12, 2005. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

<u>Name of Company</u>	<u>Bid Price</u>
1. Black & McDonald Limited	\$103,397.00
2. XL Electric Limited	\$151,103.92

The scope of work for this tender includes the replacement and/or upgrading of the existing traffic signal equipment at the intersections of Bedford Highway with Kearney Lake Road and Bayview Road.

It is anticipated that work will commence within three weeks of the tender award, with the civil portion of the contract taking approximately six 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 \$103,397.00, plus net HST for a total project cost of \$106,943, funding is available in the Approved 2005/06 Capital Budget from Account No. CTU00422, Traffic Signal Compliance Program. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

Budget Summary: Account No. CTU00422, Traffic Signal Compliance Program

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$134,760
Less: Tender No. 05-279	<u>\$106,943*</u>
	\$ 27,817

* The projects in this tender were estimated at \$105,000.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES/BUSINESS PLAN

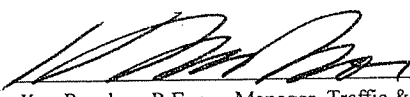
This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

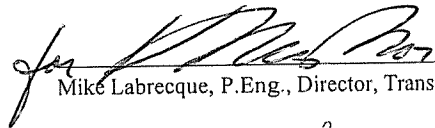
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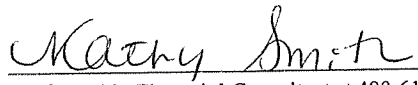
There are no recommended alternatives to this course of action.

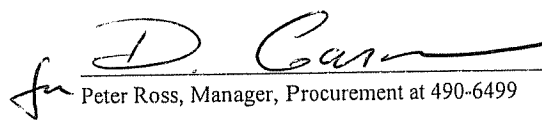
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