

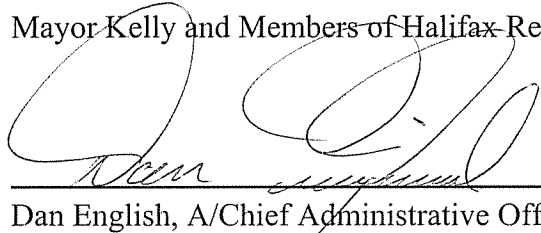


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Halifax Regional Council  
February 26, 2002

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

**SUBMITTED BY:**



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Dan English, A/Chief Administrative Officer

**DATE:** February 18, 2002

**SUBJECT:** Award of Remainder of Tender No. 01-256, Resurfacing  
- Western Region

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**ORIGIN**

Pre-approved 2002/03 Roads and Streets Capital Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Council complete the award of Tender No. 01-256, Resurfacing - Western Region, to Dexter Construction Company Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$422,925. plus net HST and 10% for quality control/quality assurance and unforeseen works for a Total Project Cost of \$495,126. from Capital Account CZR00357, Resurfacing Various Locations, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of this report.

## BACKGROUND

The 2002/03 Pre-approved Capital Budget for Roads and Streets included funds for selected Paving Renewal and Resurfacing projects within the Halifax Regional Municipality for the purposes of early tendering and contract award. The two streets included within this report were part of that advanced approval. The upgrading works proposed will extend the life of the road structure and reduce maintenance costs.

## DISCUSSION

Tender 01-256, called on August 4, 2001 and closing on August 21, 2001, proposed resurfacing works on three street sections within the Halifax area as follows:

Agricola Street between Roberts Street and Almon Street,  
Almon Street between Windsor Street and Robie Street, and,  
Fairview Overpass between Kempt Road and the Bedford Highway.

The work on these types of projects generally consists of the planing of the existing asphalt, the installation of new asphalt, the adjustment of existing structures, new sidewalk, new curb & gutter, pavement markings and the replacement of signal loop detectors and home run wire.

The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received on that tender call.

	<u>BID PRICE</u>
1. Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$664,900.00
2. Lafarge Canada Inc.	\$706,500.00
3. Ocean Contractors Limited	\$725,570.00
4. Basin Contracting Limited	\$807,150.50

Because of high tendered prices received throughout the 2001 construction season, the 2001/02 Resurfacing Budget was depleted to the extent that there was insufficient funds to implement the award of all three streets tendered. Through agreement with Dexter Construction, a partial award of tender 01-256 for Agricola Street only was presented and approved by Council on November 13, 2001 with the understanding that the remaining streets - Almon and Fairview Overpass would be awarded once additional funds were made available.

For the two remaining streets in question, the lowest tendered price from Dexter Construction Company Limited under tender call 01-256 was \$422,925. This tender price plus net HST plus 10% for quality control/quality assurance and unforeseen works brings the Total Project Cost to \$495,126. The new approved budget allocation for this remaining tender was \$505,000.00.

Since this tender involves the renewal of existing infrastructure with identical materials at the same location, Local Improvement Charges are not applicable.

**BUDGET IMPLICATIONS**

Funding for this modified tender is available in the Pre-approved 2002/03 Capital Budget for Roads and Streets under Account No. CZR00357 - Resurfacing with an uncommitted balance of \$1,463,775., (gross budget of \$34,687,338.) This has been confirmed by staff of Finance.

**FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN**

This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the Pre-approved 2002/03 Roads and Streets Capital Budget, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

This tender is part of an ongoing program of street upgrading within HRM. The improvements to these streets will result in less future maintenance and improved safety for pedestrians and traffic.


**ALTERNATIVES**

There are no recommended alternatives.

Additional copies of this report, and information on its status, can be obtained by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

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# Almon Street

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