

Halifax Regional Council March 19, 2002

TO:

Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

George McLellan, Chief Administrative Officer

Dan English, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

DATE:

March 8, 2002

SUBJECT:

Award of Tender No. 02-210 Paving Renewal Watt Street - Western

Region

ORIGIN

Approved 2002/03 Capital Budget.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council award Tender No. 02-210 Paving Renewal Watt Street - Western Region to Dexter Construction Company Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$322,790., plus net HST and 10% for quality control/quality assurance and unforeseen works for a Total Project Cost of \$377,896., with funding from capital account CYR00991 as outlined in the Budget Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

The 2002/03 Approved Capital Budget includes funds for the renewal of streets within the Halifax Regional Municipality for the purpose of extending the life of the road structure and to reduce maintenance costs.

DISCUSSION

This tender addresses the upgrading of one street from the approved budget - Watt Street in Halifax between Preston Street to Henry Street. The work generally consists of the removal of existing asphalt, placement of road gravels and new asphalt and renewal of deteriorated portions of concrete curb and gutter and concrete sidewalk.

Tenders were called on January 19, 2002 and closed on February 13, 2002. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

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1.	Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$322,790.00
2.	Lafarge Canada Inc.	\$334,030.25
3.	Ocean Contractors Limited	\$340,000.00
4.	Basin Contractors Limited	\$445,180.00

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$322,790. from Dexter Construction Company Limited plus net HST plus 10% for quality control/quality assurance and unforeseen works, the Total Project Cost is \$377,896. It is anticipated that work will commence shortly following the opening of the 2002 construction season.

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 tender is available in the 2002/03 Approved Capital Budget in the amount of \$377,896. from Account Number CYR00991 - Paving Renewals with an uncommitted balance of \$1,571,742. (gross budget \$6,068,865.)

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.

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.

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