


Halifax Regional Council  
May 21, 2002

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

**SUBMITTED BY:**

  
George McLellan, Chief Administrative Officer

  
Dan English, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

**DATE:** May 14, 2002

**SUBJECT:** Award of Unit Price Tender No. 02-217 Evans Avenue, Paving and Watermain Renewal - Western Region

**ORIGIN**

Approved 2002/2003 Capital Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Council:

1. approve the recovery of Local Improvement Charges for the replacement of asphalt curb with new concrete curb and gutter on Evans Avenue in Halifax, by an amount of \$5,083., to be applied to the general area rate of District 15.
2. approve an increase in the Gross Budget for Capital Account No. CYR00991, Paving Renewal Program, by \$65,430., with no change in the Net Budget to cover the cost of the Watermain Renewal on Evans Avenue.
3. award Tender No. 02-217, Paving Renewal and Watermain Renewal - Western Region to J.R. Eisener Contracting Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$191,940., plus net HST from Capital Account CYR00991, Paving Renewal, with funding authorized as per Budget Implications section of this report.

## BACKGROUND

The 2002/2003 Approved Capital Budget includes funds for a paving renewal program that will significantly improve the level of service to the public.

## DISCUSSION

Tenders were called on January 26, 2002, and closed on March 7, 2002. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

	<u>Bid Price</u>
1. J.R. Eisener Contracting Limited	\$191,940.00
2. Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$198,200.00
3. Amber Contracting Limited	\$209,204.00
4. Ocean Contractors Limited	\$215,385.00
5. Basin Contracting Limited	\$217,842.00
6. Lafarge Canada Inc.	\$231,620.00

The scope of work is comprised of one project located on Evans Avenue between Titus Street and Ford Street. The work generally consists of the replacement of asphalt curb with concrete curb and gutter on the north side of the street, removal of the existing asphalt surface, placement of road gravels and new asphalt, sanitary sewer spot repairs, service laterals and the replacement of the existing watermain by the Halifax Regional Water Commission (HRWC.) It is anticipated that work will commence within four weeks after award of tender.

This is a **UNIT PRICE** contract and the cost will be dependant upon the actual quantities measured and approved by the HRM Project Manager.

The replacement of asphalt curb with concrete curb and gutter is subject to Local Improvement Charges. As requested by Councillor Walker, the recovery of Local Improvement Charges for Evans Avenue is to be by way of the general area rate of District 15. The amount of the LIC charge to be recovered is \$5,083., based on the 2001 rate of \$6.11 per foot of frontage.

## BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$191,940., plus net HST (\$204,279.82), funding is available in the 2002/2003 Approved Capital budget under Capital Account No. CYR00991 - Paving Renewals. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

<b>Budget Summary</b>	<b>Project CYR00991</b>	
	Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$4,232.112.
	Less: Tender No. 02-227	191,360.
	Tender No. 02-202	183,604.
	Tender No. 02-217	<u>204,280.*</u>
		\$3,652.868.

\* This project was estimated in the budget at \$120,000.

At the time of confirming this report it was expected that Council would be reviewing all of the above tenders at the meeting of May 21, 2002.

The remaining funds in these accounts are required to implement the remaining 2002/2003 Paving Renewals and Street Resurfacing.


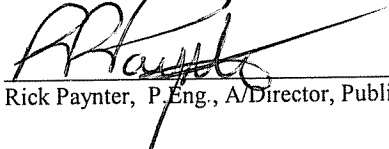
### FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN

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.

Paving renewals are done when pavement has deteriorated past the point that resurfacing is cost-effective. The proposed paving renewals will reduce the high maintenance cost associated with the existing pavement structure and improve safety for traffic.

### ALTERNATIVES

There are no recommended alternatives.

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