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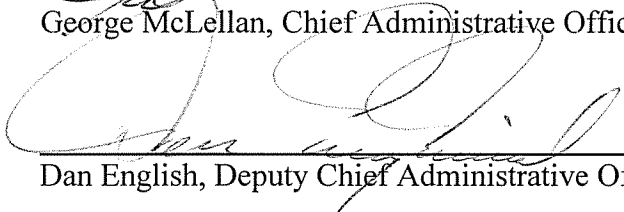
Halifax Regional Council
May 27, 2003

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:



George McLellan, Chief Administrative Officer



Dan English, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: May 16, 2003

SUBJECT: Award of Unit Price Tender No. 03-207, RA-5 Overhead Crosswalk
Lights - Various Locations

ORIGIN

Approved 2003/04 Capital Budget.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Regional Council award Tender No. 03-207, RA-5 Overhead Crosswalk Lights -Various Locations to XL Electric Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$61,450, plus net HST for a total of \$65,401, from Account No. CTR00420, RA-5 Replacement, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

The 2003/04 Approved Capital Budget includes the installation of RA-5 Overhead Crosswalk Lights at various busy crosswalk locations within HRM for pedestrian safety.

DISCUSSION

Tenders for this project were called on April 5, 2003 and closed on April 17, 2003. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

	<u>Bid Price</u>
1. XL Electric Limited	\$61,450.00
2. Black & McDonald Limited	\$63,134.51

The scope of work for this tender includes the installation of new RA-5 Crosswalk lights at the following locations:

- Herring Cove Road at Lawnwood Avenue
- Herring Cove Road at Civic No. 565
- Herring Cove Road at Princeton Avenue
- Lower Water Street at Duke Street
- Main Avenue at Hillcrest Avenue
- Main Avenue at Gebhardt Street
- Main Avenue at Maple Street
- Young Street at Isleville Street
- Nantucket Avenue at Green Road

It is anticipated that work will commence twelve weeks after the tender award due to the delays anticipated in acquiring the necessary equipment from the suppliers.

This is a **UNIT PRICE** contract and the cost will be dependant 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 \$61,450, plus net HST, for a total of \$65,401, funding is available in the 2003/04 Approved Capital Budget under Account No. CTR00420, RA-5 Replacement. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

Budget Summary: **Project CTR00420 - RA-5 Replacement**

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$ 140,659
Less : Tender 03-207	<u>\$ 65,401</u>
	\$ 75,258

This project was estimated at \$50,000.

The remaining funds from this account are required to implement the remaining 2003/04 RA-5 Crosswalk Light installations 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.

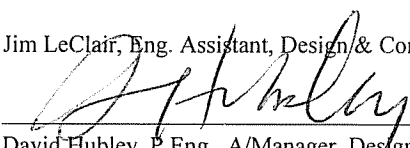
This tender is part of an ongoing multi-year initiative to make identified crosswalk locations within HRM safer for pedestrians. These installations will add to HRM's inventory of RA-5 Crosswalk Lights therefore increasing future maintenance costs.

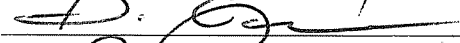
ALTERNATIVES

There are no recommended alternatives to this course of action.

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