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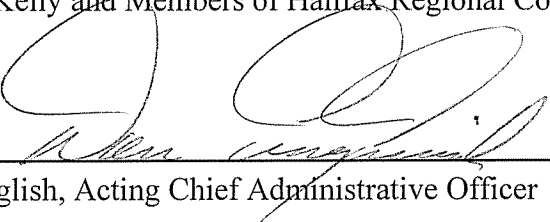


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**Halifax Regional Council**  
**July 8, 2003**

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

**SUBMITTED BY:**

  
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Dan English, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

**DATE:** July 2, 2003

**SUBJECT:** **Award of Unit Price Tender No. 03-247, Left Turn Lane - Hammonds Plains Road at Bluewater Road - Central Region**

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**ORIGIN**

Approved 2003/04 Capital Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Regional Council award Tender No. 03-247, Left Turn Lane - Hammonds Plains Road at Bluewater Road - Central Region to Lafarge Canada Inc. for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$134,800, plus net HST for a total of \$143,467 from Account No. CTU00470, Hammonds Plains Road Intersection Upgrades, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of this report.

## BACKGROUND

The 2003/04 Approved Capital Budget includes funds for improvements to various intersections within the Halifax Regional Municipality. The addition of a left turn lane on Hammonds Plains Road at Bluewater Road will greatly enhance vehicular safety and improve the overall traffic movement in the area.

## DISCUSSION

Tenders for this project were called on May 31, 2003 and closed on June 13, 2003. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

	<u>Bid Price</u>
1. Lafarge Canada Inc.	\$134,800.00
2. Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$167,200.00
3. Ocean Contractors Limited	\$177,010.00

The scope of work for this tender includes the installation of a left turn lane on Hammonds Plains Road at Bluewater Road, including asphalt pavement, gravels, pavement markings and the replacement of an existing culvert.

It is anticipated that construction will commence within three weeks of the tender award.

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 \$134,800, plus net HST for a total of \$143,467, funding is available in the 2003/04 Approved Capital Budget under Account No. CTU00470, Hammonds Plains Road Intersection Upgrades. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

### **Budget Summary: Account No. CTU00470, Hammonds Plains Road Intersection Upgrades**

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$ 246,750
Less: <b>Tender No. 03-247</b>	<u>\$ 143,467*</u>
	\$ 103,283

\* This project was estimated at \$130,000.

The remaining funds in this account are required to implement the remaining 2003/04 locations 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 program of intersection improvements within HRM. The particular work outlined in this tender will significantly enhance the movement of traffic and improve the overall pedestrian/vehicular safety factor. The improvements will also decrease the amount of future maintenance costs.


ALTERNATIVES

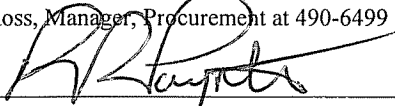
There are no recommended alternatives to this course of action.

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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