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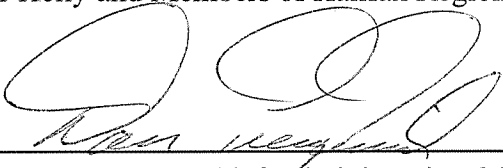


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**Halifax Regional Council**  
**July 8, 2003**

**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. 03-251, Rutledge Street, Paving and New Sidewalk - Central Region**

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**ORIGIN**

Approved 2003/04 Capital Budgets

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

It is recommended that Regional Council:

1. approve the recovery of Local Improvement Charges to be applied to the general area rate of District 21 for the installation of new concrete sidewalk on Rutledge Street by a rate to be established in By-Law S-412 which was presented to Council on June 10, 2003.
2. award Tender No. 03-251, Paving and New Sidewalk - Rutledge Street to Basin Contracting Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$319,720, plus net HST for a total of \$340,275, from Account No. CJR00956, New Sidewalk and Account No. CZR00357, Resurfacing, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of this report

## BACKGROUND

The 2003/04 Approved Capital Budget includes funds for the construction of a concrete sidewalk to provide for pedestrian safety and includes funds for the resurfacing of the street and the upgrading of asphalt curb to concrete curb and gutter.

## DISCUSSION

Tenders for this project were called on June 7, 2003 and closed on June 18, 2003. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

1.	Basin Contracting Limited	\$ 319,720.00
2.	Lafarge Canada Inc.	\$ 379,859.00
3.	Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$ 380,220.00
4.	Ocean Contractors Limited	\$ 385,665.00

The scope of work for this tender includes the replacement of the asphalt curb with new concrete curb and gutter, the resurfacing of the street, and the installation of a concrete sidewalk on the west side of Rutledge Street from end (Shoreview Drive) to Frederick Street.

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

The installation of new concrete sidewalk is subject to Local Improvement Charges. The proposed By-Law S-412, Respecting Charges for Street Improvements was presented to Council on June 10, 2003, but will not likely be approved until the formal adoption process is finalized in July. Staff is therefore recommending that Council approve this tender with the understanding that the LIC rates that are applied, will be those approved by Council in By-Law S-412. This will allow construction to begin at an earlier date rather than waiting until the By-Law is approved. In the event that By-Law S-412 is not adopted, 2002 rates will apply.

## BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$319,720 plus net HST, the total cost for this project is \$340,275. Funding is available in Account No. CJR00956, New Sidewalk, and Account No. CZR00357 Resurfacing - Rutledge Street - Paving and New Sidewalk. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

<b><u>Budget Summary</u></b>	<b><u>Account No. CJR00956 New Sidewalk</u></b>	
	Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$2,642,740
	<b>Less: Tender 03-251</b>	<b>\$ 100,000*</b>
		\$2,542,740
<b><u>Budget Summary</u></b>	<b><u>Account No. CZR00357, Resurfacing</u></b>	
	Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$3,995,059
	<b>Less: Tender 03-251</b>	<b>\$ 240,275*</b>
	Less: Tender 03-237	<u>\$ 339,870</u>
		\$3,414,914

\*The projects included in this tender were estimated in the 2003/04 Capital budget at \$342,000.

Rutledge St. (Frederick to Shoreview)	\$100,000
Rutledge St. (End to Frederick)	\$242,000

The remaining funds in these accounts are required to implement other new sidewalk and resurfacing projects approved by Council.

**FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN**

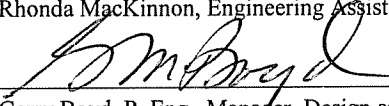
This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

**ALTERNATIVES**

There are no recommended alternatives.

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