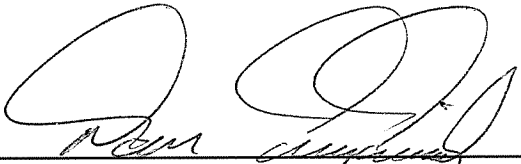


Halifax Regional Council
March 23, 2004

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:



Dan English, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: March 1, 2004

SUBJECT: **Award of Unit Price Tender No. 04-208: New Paving of Subdivision Streets Inside the Core Area (Central Region)**
- Bolton Drive, Victory Lane, Cumberland Way, Carriage Road and Chartwell Road

ORIGIN

Advanced Funding Approval 2004/05 Capital Budget which was approved by Council on December 9, 2003.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Regional Council:

1. approve the recovery of Local Improvement Charges for the new paving of Bolton Drive, Victory Lane, Cumberland Way, Carriage Road and Chartwell Road at the rate to be established in By-Law Number S-414 which will be presented to Council for approval for fiscal year 2004/05.
2. award Tender No. 04-208: New Paving of Subdivision Streets Inside the Core Area (Central Region) - Bolton Drive, Victory Lane, Cumberland Way, Carriage Road and Chartwell Road to Basin Contracting Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$402,370 plus net HST for a total of \$428,239 from Account No. CXU00562, New Paving of Subdivision Streets Inside the Core Area with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

The Approved Advanced 2004/05 Capital Budget includes funds for the paving of Bolton Drive, Victory Lane, Cumberland Way, Carriage Road and Chartwell Road.

DISCUSSION

Tenders for this project were called on February 14, 2004 and closed on February 26, 2004. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

	<u>Bid Price</u>
1. Basin Contracting Limited	\$402,370.00
2. Ocean Contractors Limited	\$432,065.00
3. Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$485,100.00

The scope of work for this tender generally includes placing road gravels, shoulder gravels, paving and driveway reinstatement.

It is anticipated that work will commence when weather permits in the Spring of 2004.

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 paving is subject to Local Improvement Charges. The proposed By-Law S-414, Respecting Charges for Street Improvements, will be presented to Council for approval for fiscal year 2004/05. Staff is therefore recommending that Council approve this tender with the understanding that the LIC rates that are to be applied, will be those approved by Council under By-Law S-414. In the event that S-414 is not adopted, the 2003 LIC rates will apply.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$402,370 plus net HST, for a total of \$428,239 funding is available in the Approved Advanced 2004/05 Capital Budget under Account No. CXU00562, New Paving of Subdivision Streets Inside the Core Area. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

Budget Summary

**Capital Account No. CXU00562, New Paving of Subdivision
Streets Inside the Core Area**

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$ 770,000
Less : Tender 04-208	\$ 428,239 *
Less: Tender 04-209	<u>\$ 245,865</u>
	\$ 95,896

* The projects included in this tender were budgeted at \$455,000:

Bolton Drive (Winley Dr. to Turning Circle)	\$ 90,000
Victory Lane (Old Sackville Rd. to End)	\$ 55,000
Cumberland Way (BB/Windsor Junction to End)	\$ 80,000
Carriage Road (Cumberland to Chartwell)	\$ 50,000
Chartwell Road (Carriage to Charleswood)	\$180,000

The net HST has been included in the award amount. The Federal Government, in the recent speech from the throne, has proposed changes that would provide a GST rebate to Municipalities. This legislation, once approved, will affect the total cost of this award. Once the legislation is in place, and the actual amount determined, the value will be adjusted accordingly.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN

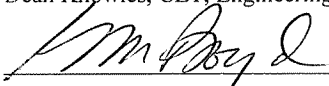
This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

ALTERNATIVES

There are no recommended alternatives.

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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