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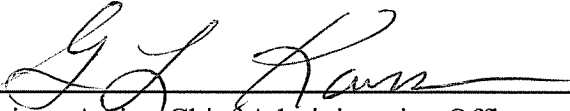


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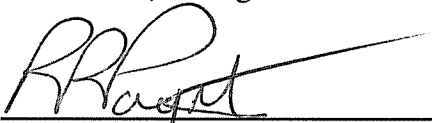
Halifax Regional Council
May 11, 2004

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:



Geri Kaiser, Acting Chief Administrative Officer



Rick Paynter, Director, Public Works and Transportation Services

DATE: April 29, 2004

SUBJECT: Award of Unit Price Tender No. 04-223, Paving, New Sidewalk and Storm Sewer - James Street, West Region

ORIGIN

Approved 2004/05 Capital Budget

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Regional Council:

1. approve the recovery of Local Improvement Charges for the new concrete curb and gutter and new concrete sidewalk for James Street (from St. Margaret's Bay Road to the school entrance) 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, by a special area rate applied to a portion of District 22 (as shown on the attached sketch).
2. award Tender No. 04-223, Paving, New Sidewalk and Storm Sewer - James Street (West Region) to Sackville Trenching Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$293,325, plus net HST for a total of \$312,183 from Capital Account No's.CZU00565, Resurfacing and CJU00557, New Sidewalk, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

The Approved 2004/05 Capital Budget includes funds for paving, new sidewalk and storm sewer on James Street from St. Margaret's Bay Road to the school entrance.

DISCUSSION

Tenders were called on March 17, 2004 and closed on April 7, 2004. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

	<u>Bid Price</u>
1. Sackville Trenching Limited	\$293,325.00
2. Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$335,380.00
3. Ocean Contractors Limited	\$375,590.00
4. Amber Contracting Limited	\$415,631.00
5. LaFarge Canada Inc.	\$469,500.00
6. Basin Contracting Limited	\$531,445.00

The scope of work for this tender generally consists of the installation of new concrete curb and gutter, new concrete sidewalk, new pavement structure and a storm sewer.

It is anticipated that work will commence in early July 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 concrete curb and gutter and new concrete sidewalk 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. As requested by Councillor Rankin, the Local Improvement Charges will be recovered by a special area rate applied to a portion of District 22.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$293,325 plus net HST, for a total project cost of \$312,183 funding is available in the Approved 2004/05 Capital Budget in the amount of \$148,046 under Account No. CZU00565 - Resurfacing and \$164,137 under Account No. CJU00557 - New Sidewalk. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

Budget Summary:

Capital Account No. CZU00565, Resurfacing

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$ 7,134,915
Less: Tender No. 04-223	<u>\$ 148,046*</u>
	\$ 6,986,869

Capital Account No. CJU00557, New Sidewalk

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$1,985,106
Less: Tender No. 04-223	\$ 164,137*
Less: Tender No. 04-220	<u>\$ 97,766</u>
	\$1,723,203

* The projects included in this tender were budgeted at \$469,000.

James Street New Sidewalk	\$ 247,000
James Street Resurfacing	<u>\$ 222,000</u>
	\$ 469,000

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

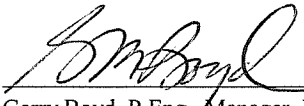
There are no recommended alternatives.


ATTACHMENT

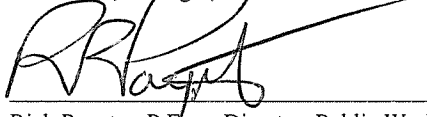
Plan showing part of District 22 identified for area rate.

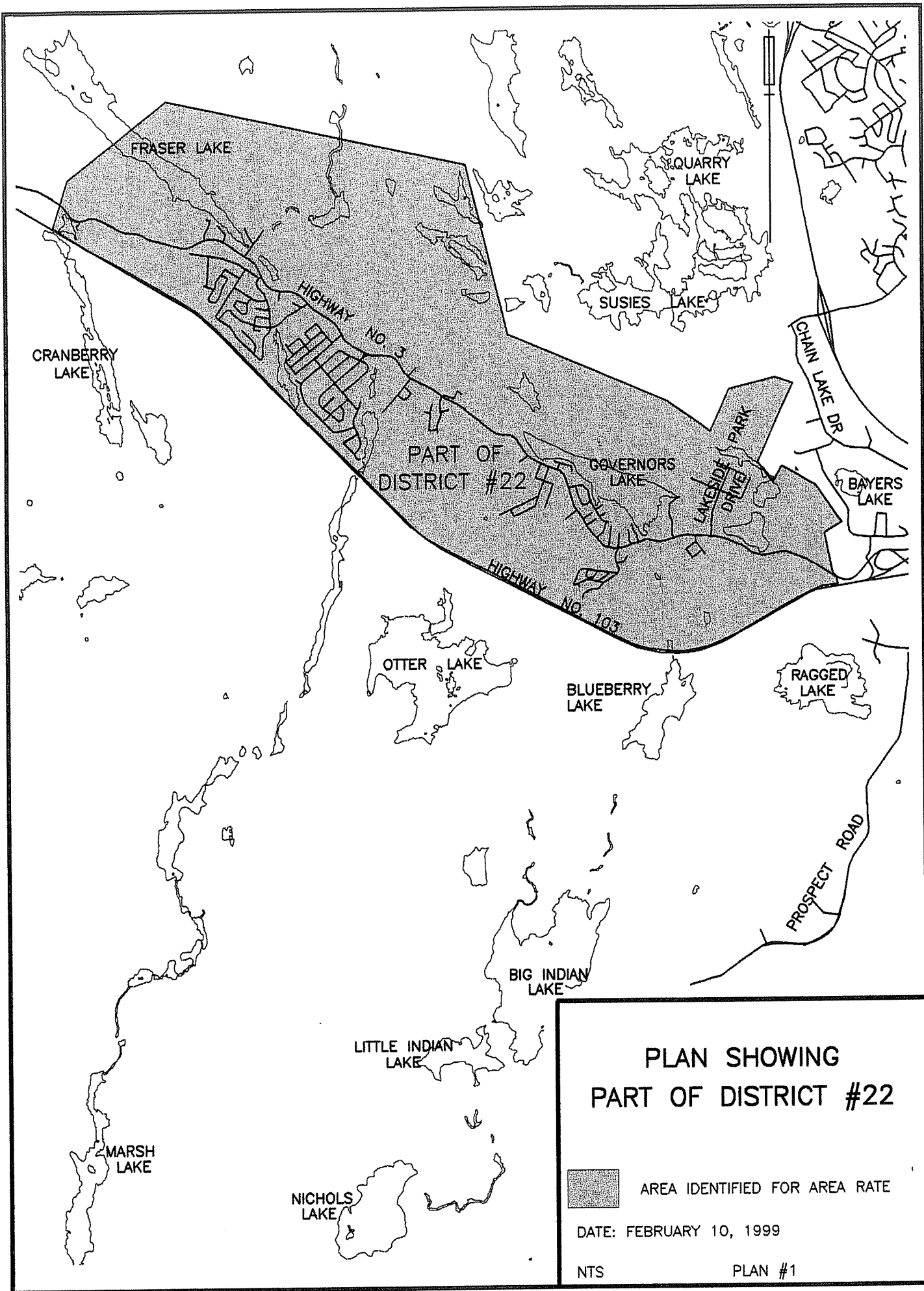
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**PLAN SHOWING
PART OF DISTRICT #22**

 AREA IDENTIFIED FOR AREA RATE

DATE: FEBRUARY 10, 1999

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PLAN #1