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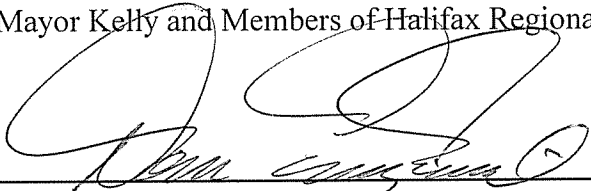


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**Halifax Regional Council**  
**May 25, 2004**

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

**SUBMITTED BY:**

  
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Dan English, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

**DATE:** May 17, 2004

**SUBJECT:** Award of Unit Price Tender No. 04-221, Street and Settled Trench Patching (East, West, Central Regions)

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**ORIGIN**

Approved 2004/05 Capital Budget and Operating Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Regional Council award Tender No. 04-221, Street and Settled Trench Patching (East, West, Central Regions) to Dexter Construction Company Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$372,500, plus net HST for a total of \$396,448 from Capital Account No. CZU00565, Resurfacing and Operating Account No. GL 2307, Future Settlement Fund, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of this report.

**BACKGROUND**

The approved 2004/05 Capital Budget and approved Operating Budget includes funds for Street Resurfacing and Settled Trench Patching (Surface sealing preparation).

**DISCUSSION**

Tenders were called on March 20, 2004 and closed on April 6, 2004. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

	<b><u>Bid Price</u></b>
1. Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$372,500.00
2. Ocean Contracting Limited	\$443,000.00
3. Lafarge Canada Inc.	\$493,800.00
4. Basin Contracting Limited	\$584,125.00

The scope of work for this tender generally consists of the preparation of streets for asphalt overlay and micro surface sealing.

It is anticipated that work will commence within two weeks of award of tender.

This is a **UNIT PRICE** contract and the cost will be dependent 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 \$372,500 plus net HST, for a total project cost of \$396,448 funding is available in the amount of \$271,448 under Capital Account No. CZU00565, Resurfacing and funding is available in the Operating Budget in the amount of \$125,000 under Operating Account No. GL 2307, Future Settlement Fund. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

**Budget Summary:**

**Capital Account No, CZU00565, Resurfacing**

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$6,887,600
Less: <b>Tender 04-221</b>	\$ 271,448*
Less: Tender 04-229	<u>\$ 174,059</u>
	\$6,442,093

\* The project included in the tender was budgeted at \$325,000.

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.

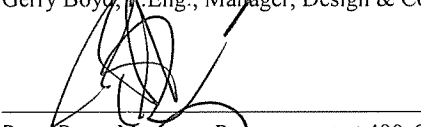
**ALTERNATIVES**

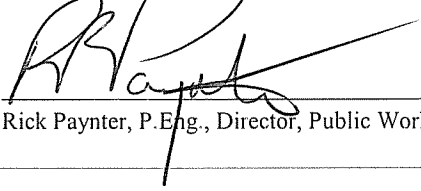
There are no recommended alternatives.

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