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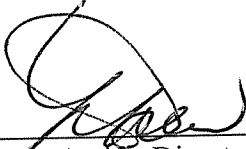


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Halifax Regional Council
August 31, 2004

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY: 
George McLellan, Chief Administrative Officer


Larry Drew, Acting Director, Public Works and Transportation Services

DATE: August 23, 2004

SUBJECT: Approval of Cost Sharing Between HRM and HRWC for the intersection upgrade and water transmission main installation project on Hammonds Plains Road at Basinview Drive

ORIGIN

Approved 2003/04 and 2004/05 Capital Budgets.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Council :

1. approve an increase in the Gross Budget for Account No. CTU00470, Hammonds Plains Road Intersection Upgrades in the amount of \$16,611. with funds from Account No. CTR00905 - Intersection Improvement Program.
2. authorize a transfer of funds in the amount of \$102,372. from Account No. CTU00470 - Hammonds Plains Road Intersection Upgrades to Halifax Regional Water Commission per a previously agreed to cost sharing formula.

BACKGROUND

The 2003/04 Halifax Regional Water Commission's (HRWC) Approved Capital Budget included funds for the installation of a water transmission main on the Hammonds Plains Road. The 2003/04 HRM Approved Capital Budget included funds for the construction of a left turn lane at the intersection of Hammonds Plains Road and Basinview Drive. Since the proposed HRM project was within HRWC's project limits, staff agreed to include the HRM work in the HRWC tender and cost share on the project. Normally joint projects with HRWC are tendered by HRM and cost shared by HRWC because HRM's portion of the project as a rule is considerably larger. For this project however the installation of the transmission main portion was significantly larger than the intersection upgrade. Recognizing the advantage of having only one contractor responsible for the coordination of both the construction and traffic control on such a busy street, staff worked with HRWC to prepare one tender for both projects.

DISCUSSION

Tenders for this project were called and Dexter Construction Company Limited was the successful bidder. The scope of work for HRM's portion of this tender generally consisted of the installation of a left turn lane at the intersection of Basinview Drive and Hammonds Plains Road including traffic signal upgrades, retaining walls (to facilitate the extra lane) , asphalt and gravels.

Since this was a Unit Price contract, the final cost owed to HRWC could not be determined until recently with the final quantities being approved by the HRM project manager.

There are no Local Improvement Charges associated with this work.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

The cost of HRM's portion of the contract is \$102,372 including net HST, with funding available in the 2003/04 Approved Capital Budget under Account No. CTU00470 - Hammonds Plains Road, Intersection Upgrades and in the 2004/05 Approved Capital Budget under Account No. CTR00905 - Intersection Improvement Program. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

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

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$ 85,761
Plus: Funding from Account No.CTR00905	\$ 16,611
Less: Cost Shared Amount	<u>\$ 102,372</u>
	<u>\$ 0</u>

Account No. CTU00905 -Intersection Improvement Program

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$ 339,826
Less: Transfer to CT00470	<u>\$ 16,611</u>
	<u>\$ 323,215</u>

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN

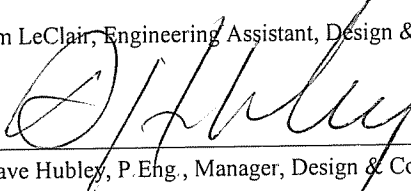
This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

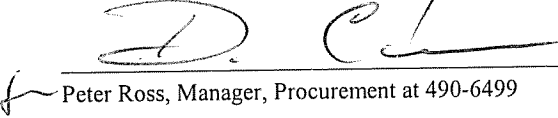
ALTERNATIVES

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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