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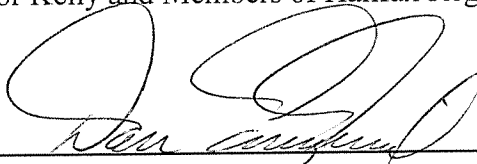


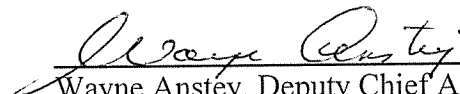
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**Halifax Regional Council**  
**February 20, 2007**

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

**SUBMITTED BY:**

  
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Dan English, Chief Administrative Officer

  
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Wayne Anstey, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer - Operations

**DATE:** February 5, 2007

**SUBJECT:** **Award - Unit Price Tender No. 06-281, Retaining Wall; Brunswick Street - West Region**  
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**ORIGIN**

The Approved Advanced 2007/08 Capital Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Council award Tender No. 06-281, Retaining Wall; Brunswick Street - West Region to Dexter Construction Company Limited for material and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Total Tender Price of \$101,877.57 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account No. CRU00701, Other Road Related Works Design & Construction, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of this report.

**BACKGROUND**

The Approved Advanced 2007/08 Capital Budget includes funds for the renewal of a retaining wall owned by HRM on Brunswick Street from Portland Place to Cogswell Street.

**DISCUSSION**

Tenders were called on January 13, 2007, and closed on January 26, 2007. Bids were received from the following companies:

<b><u>Name of Company</u></b>	<b><u>Bid Price (Net HST Included)</u></b>
Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$101,877.57 *
J.R. Eisener Contracting Limited	\$116,843.74
Brycon Construction Limited	\$120,075.90
Aaffinity Contracting & Environmental Ltd.	\$127,807.22
Amber Contracting Limited	\$128,510.53
W. Eric Whebby Limited	\$142,732.02
Humphreys Landscape and Construction 1996 Ltd.	\$150,962.12
Largo Contracting Limited	\$158,711.80
Ocean Contractors Limited	\$166,210.40
A.C.L. Construction Limited	\$189,797.39

**\* recommended bidder**

Three other bids were disqualified after review by staff as they do not meet specifications for this project. These were from Allterrain Landscaping Services, Scotia Excavating Services and I-Rock Construction Limited.

The scope of work for this tender generally consists of the removal of an existing wall, supply and installation of concrete retaining wall units, steps, handrail, fencing and associated reinstatement.

It is anticipated that work will commence in the Spring of 2007 pending acceptable weather conditions and take four weeks to complete.

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 \$101,877.57, including net HST, funding is available in the Approved Advanced 2007/08 Capital Budget from Account No. CRU00701, Other Road Related Works Design & Construction. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

**Budget Summary:**      **Account No. CRU00701, Other Road Related Works Design & Construction**

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$616,721
Less: <b>Tender No. 06-281</b>	<u>\$101,878</u> *
Balance	\$514,843

\* The project was estimated in the Approved Advanced 2007/08 Capital Budget at \$170,000.

The balance of funds will be used to implement the remaining 2007/08 Other Road Related Works Design & Construction projects approved by Council.

**FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN**

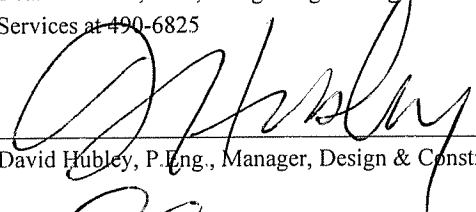
This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

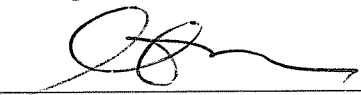
**ALTERNATIVES**

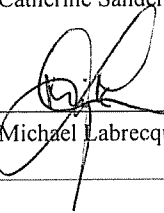
There are no recommended alternatives to this course of action.

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