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> Halifax Regional Council May 8, 2007

TO:

Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

Dan English, Chief Administrative Officer

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**DATE:** 

April 26, 2007

**SUBJECT:** 

Award - Unit Price Tender No. 07-232, Paving, Storm Sewer and New

Sidewalk, Shore Drive - Central Region

## **ORIGIN**

The Approved 2007/08 Capital Budget.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that Council:

- 1. approve the recovery of Local Improvement Charges for the new concrete sidewalk and new concrete curb and gutter on Shore Drive West Region by an area rate to the urban area of District 21.
- 2. award Tender No. 07-232, Paving, Storm Sewer and New Sidewalk, Shore Drive Central Region to Dexter Construction Company Limited for a Total Tender Price of \$373,688.98 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account Nos. CYU00784 Paving Renewal Program and CJU00785 New Sidewalks, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of this report.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Approved 2007/08 Capital Budget includes funds for the paving, storm sewer and new sidewalk of Shore Drive from Fort Sackville Drive to Wardour Street.

## **DISCUSSION**

Tenders were called on April 7, 2007 and closed on April 18, 2007. Bids were received from the following companies:

Name of Company	Bid Price (Net HST Included)
Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$373,688.98*
Amber Contracting Limited	\$415,019.21
Harbour Construction Company Limited	\$438,151.10
Brycon Contracting Limited	\$445,365.27
Ocean Contractors Limited	\$506,802.10
J. R. Eisener Contracting Limited	\$507,629.53
A.C.L. Construction Limited	\$551,860.94
Lafarge Canada Inc.	\$727,105.87
Basin Contracting Limited	\$905,950.13

#### \*recommended bidder

The scope of work for this tender generally consists of the installation of concrete curb and gutter and sidewalk on the northeast side, installation of a storm sewer, and replacement of the existing asphalt structure.

It is anticipated that work will commence within one week of the tender award and take eight 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.

The installation of a new concrete curb and gutter and sidewalk are subject to Local Improvement Charges. At the request of Councillor Gary Martin, Local Improvement Charges will be recovered by the levy of an area rate to the urban area of District 21. On April 25, 2006, Halifax Regional Council approved a blended actual costs approach in determining the rate of Local Improvement Charges. The rate will be set once the tenders have been completed and the final costs determined.

#### **BUDGET IMPLICATIONS**

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$373,688.98, including net HST, funding is available in the Approved 2007/08 Capital Budget from Account Nos. CYU00784 - Paving Renewal Program and CJU00785 - New Sidewalks. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

# Budget Summary: <u>Capital Account No. CYU00784, Paving Renewal Program</u>

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$4,744,536
Less: Tender No. 07-232	<u>\$ 165,859 *</u>
Balance	\$4,578,677

## Capital Account No. CJU00785, New Sidewalks

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$2,429,898
Less: Tender No. 07-232	<u>\$ 207,830 *</u>
Balance	\$2,222,068

<sup>\*</sup> This project was estimated in the Approved 2007/08 Capital Budget at \$210,000 and \$340,000 respectively.

The balance of the funds from Account CYU00784 and CJU00785 will be used to implement the remaining 2007/08 Paving Renewal and New Sidewalk 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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