



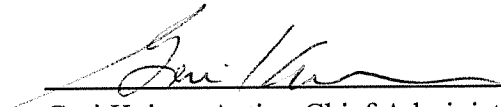
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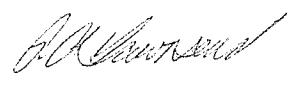
Halifax Regional Council
May 29, 2007

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:



Geri Kaiser, Acting Chief Administrative Officer



for Mike Labrecque, P.Eng., Director, Transportation and Public Works

DATE: May 16, 2007

SUBJECT: **Award - Unit Price Tender No. 07-240, New Paving of Subdivision Streets Inside the Core Area; Buckingham Drive, Abbey Road, Bingham Drive and Sussex Drive - West Region**

ORIGIN

The Approved 2007/08 Capital Budget.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council award Tender No. 07-240, New Paving of Subdivision Streets Inside the Core Area; Buckingham Drive, Abbey Road, Bingham Drive and Sussex Drive - West Region to Basin Contracting Limited for material and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Total Tender Price of \$689,501.67 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account No. CXU00715 - New Paving of Subdivision Streets Inside the Core Area, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

The Approved 2007/08 Capital Budget includes funds for the paving of Buckingham Drive, Abbey Road, Bingham Drive and Sussex Drive.

DISCUSSION

Tenders were called on April 28, 2007 and closed on May 11, 2007. Bids were received from the following companies:

<u>Name of Company</u>	<u>Bid Price (Net HST Included)</u>
Basin Contractors Limited	\$689,501.67*
Ocean Contractors Limited	\$713,401.53
Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$783,060.96
Lafarge Canada Inc.	\$929,265.61

***recommended bidder**

The scope of work for this tender generally consists of the installation of new asphalt, shoulder gravels and associated reinstatement.

It is anticipated that construction will commence within three weeks of the tender award and take three 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 new paving is subject to Local Improvement Charges. Local Improvement Charges will be based on a charge per foot of frontage and will be recovered by way of frontage charges to the abutting property owners.

Property owners on Abbey Road were successfully petitioned for paving in 2001 at a proposed rate of \$17.00 per linear foot and property owners on Buckingham Drive were successfully petitioned for paving in 2003 at a proposed rate of \$19.00 per linear foot . Due to the higher cost of asphalt and construction, the cost of paving has increased and therefore, LIC rates will be higher than on these petitions. Councillor Meade has requested that the right to petition be waived and that the property owners will be responsible for paying the Local Improvement Charges associated with installation of new paving. All property owners on Abbey Road and Buckingham Drive have been notified in writing of Councillor Meade's decision. The property owners on Bingham Drive and Sussex Drive were successfully petitioned in 2006 at an interim rate of \$30.00 per linear foot. 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 \$689,501.67, including net HST, funding is available in the Approved 2007/08 Capital Budget from Account No. CXU00715 - New Paving of Subdivision Streets Inside the Core Area. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

Budget Summary: **Capital Account No. CXU00715, New Paving of Subdivision Streets Inside the Core Area**

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$1,628,292
Less: Tender No. 07-240	<u>\$ 689,502 *</u>
Balance	\$ 938,790

* The projects included in this tender were estimated in the Approved 2007/08 Capital Budget at \$1,064,000.

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Bid Price</u>
Buckingham Drive	\$ 542,000	\$337,179
Abbey Road	\$ 240,000	\$161,587
Bingham Drive	\$ 212,000	\$145,610
Sussex Drive	<u>\$ 70,000</u>	<u>\$ 45,126</u>
	\$1,064,000	\$689,502

The balance of funds will be used to implement the remaining 2007/08 New Paving of Subdivision Streets Inside the Core Area 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.

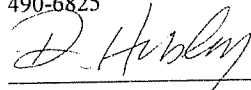
ATTACHMENTS

Location plan of Buckingham Drive, Abbey Road, Bingham Drive and Sussex Drive
Copy of letter to property owners on Abbey Road
Copy of letter to property owners on Buckingham Drive
Copy of two letters to property owners on Bingham Drive
Copy of two letters to property owners on Sussex Drive

A copy of this report can be obtained online at <http://www.halifax.ca/council/agendasc/cagenda.html> then choose the appropriate meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax at 490-4208.

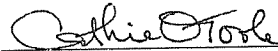
Report Prepared by: Dean Knowles, CET, Design Engineering Technologist, Design & Construction Services at 490-6825

Report Approved by:



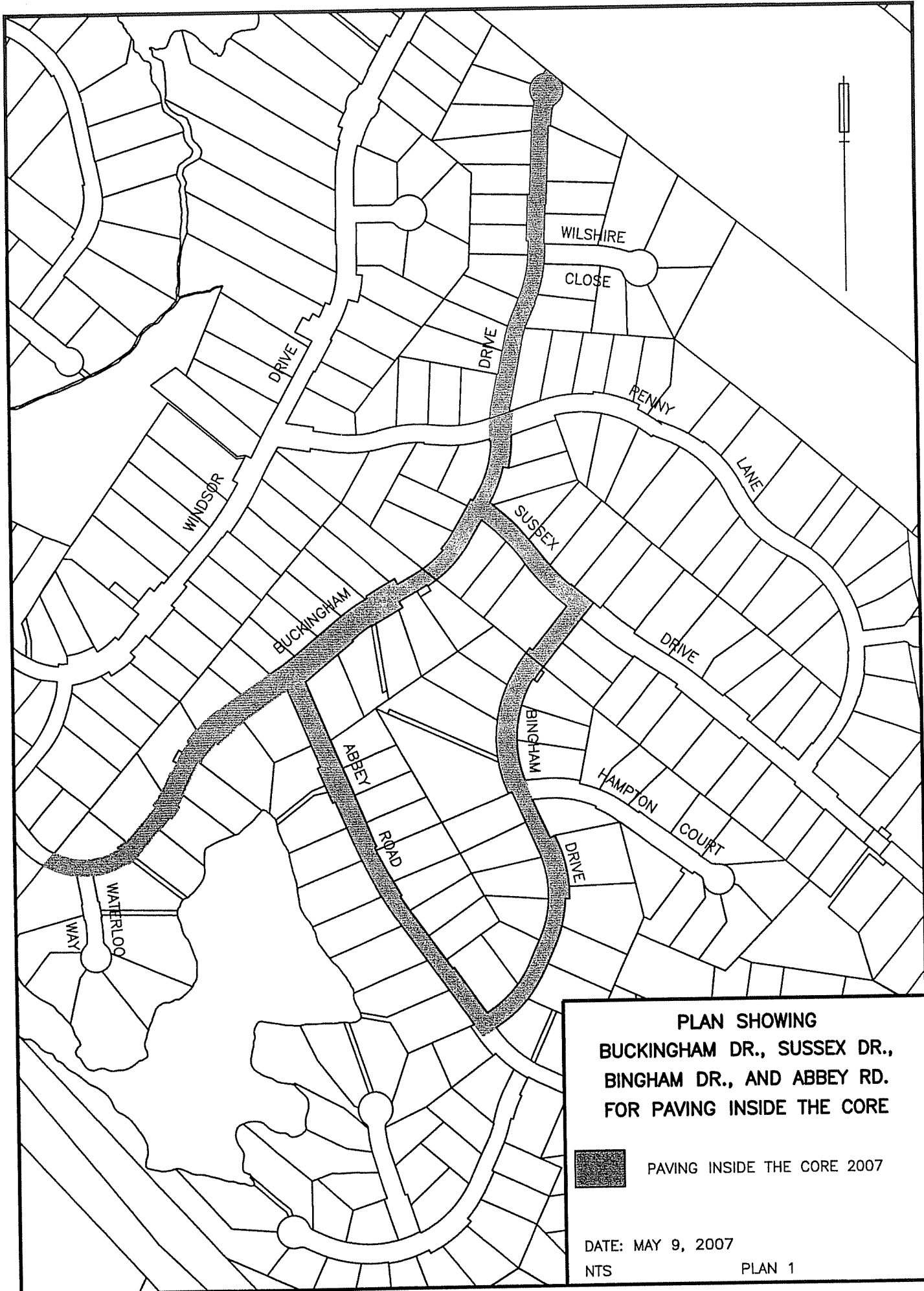
David Hubley, P. Eng. Manager, Design & Construction Services at 490-4845

Financial Approval by:



for Catherine Sanderson, Senior Manager, Financial Services at 490-1562

DHK/pm



**PLAN SHOWING
BUCKINGHAM DR., SUSSEX DR.,
BINGHAM DR., AND ABBEY RD.
FOR PAVING INSIDE THE CORE**

 PAVING INSIDE THE CORE 2007

DATE: MAY 9, 2007

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PLAN 1

January 29, 2007

Dear Sir/Madam:

Paving -Abbey Road - Stillwater Lake
Limits from Buckingham Drive to Bingham Drive

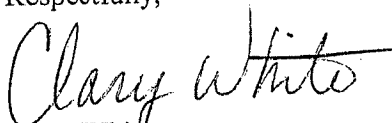
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Councillor Meade has decided not to repetition the residents since Abbey Road has been on the paving list for a number of years and HRM has received many phone calls requesting the paving be completed ASAP. Pursuant to the Municipal Government Act and HRM Local Improvement Policy, the Councillor for the area has the right to waive the petition process with Council's approval. Councillor Meade is choosing to exercise this right. Therefore; the property owners will be responsible for paying the Local Improvement Charges associated with installation of the new paving. On April 25, 2006, Halifax Regional Council approved a blended actual costs approach in setting the LIC. The rate will be set once all tenders have been completed and final cost is known.

The Local Improvement Charge amount payable may, at the option of the owner of the property, be paid in equal annual installments for a period not exceeding ten years. Installments are due on the anniversary date of the original billing, until the full debt is paid. This billing may also be paid in full at any time, without interest penalty, if the abutter so desires. The unpaid balance is subject to an interest rate based on the maximum of the prime rate as set by the Royal Bank of Canada plus 2% at time of notification.

If you have any question pertaining to this matter, please do not hesitate to call Ann Reid at 490-6849 or e-mail: reida@halifax.ca.

Respectfully,



Clary White

Supervisor Drafting and Plan Record Service

AR/pm

cc: Councillor Gary Meade , District 23
Mike Labrecque, P.Eng., Director, Transportation & Public Works Services
David Hubley, P. Eng., Manager Design & Construction Services

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January 29, 2007

Dear Sir/Madam:

Paving - Buckingham Dr. - Stillwater Lake
Limits from existing pavement to end

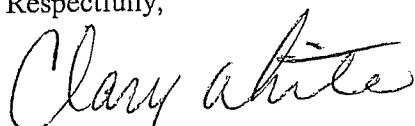
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February 27, 2006

Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: Paving -Bingham Drive
Limits Abbey Rd to Sussex Dr.

In order to facilitate the development of a list of paving projects for future Capital Budget consideration, we are attaching a survey for your review.

The purpose of this survey is to ascertain if there is sufficient support from property owners regarding the proposed paving of Bingham Drive. If Regional Council approves this project, paving will be subjected to Local Improvement Charges (LIC) as stated in By-Law Number S-400. Each year the LIC is determined and presented to Regional Council for their approval. As the rate is determined on an annual basis, the charge is subject to change. For the purpose of this survey an interim rate of \$30 per linear foot is being used. This is an estimated amount and it is unknown at this point in time as to when the paving of the street will be approved in the capital budget. As a note, the approved 2005 rate was \$21.68 per linear foot.

Final billings for all Local Improvement Projects are payable over a 10 year period, with the first installment due 30 days after the billing date. Installments are due on the anniversary date of the original billing. This billing may also be paid in full at any time if the abutter so desires. The unpaid balance is subject to an interest charge at the rate of 2% above the Municipality's Bankers Prime Rate of Interest at the time the project is approved by Halifax Regional Council.

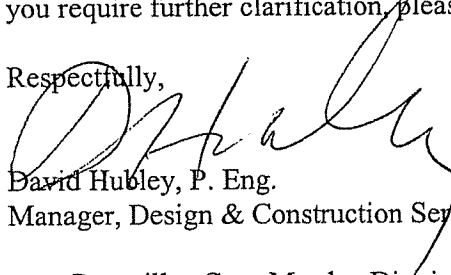
If you are in agreement to pay the interim frontage rate of \$30.00 per foot of your property for paving, please sign and return the attached agreement by **March 24, 2006** to:

Mail: Ms. Ann Reid, LIC Clerk
Design & Construction Services
P.O. Box 1749
Halifax, NS B3J 3A5

Hand Deliver: Ms. Ann Reid, LIC Clerk
21 Mount Hope Ave.
Dartmouth, NS
Fax: (902) 490-4858
Email: reida@halifax.ca

Residents will be notified in writing if the Local Improvement Rate exceeds the interim rate of \$30.00. If you require further clarification, please call Ms. Ann Reid at (902) 490-6849.

Respectfully,


David Hubley, P. Eng.
Manager, Design & Construction Services

cc: Councillor Gary Meade , District 23
Mike Labrecque, P.Eng., Director, Transportation & Public Works Services

May 25, 2006

All Property Owners

Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: Survey Results
Bingham Drive - Stillwater Lake

This is to inform you of the result of the survey that closed on March 24, 2006 for new paving on Bingham Drive.

Under the HRM Local Improvement Policy & By-Law Number S-400 and subject to budget considerations, street paving may be implemented provided there has been a successful survey from the property owners showing that 50% of the total frontage are in favour of the project. Your street has met the required 50% approval. Bingham Drive will be added to the list of successfully surveyed streets, however, at this time staff cannot confirm when the work will be carried out. Staff will be reviewing the complete list of successfully surveyed streets and the selection process over the next several months in preparation of future capital budgets.

The Local Improvement Charge amount payable may, at the option of the owner of the property, be paid in equal annual installments for a period not exceeding ten years. Installments are due on the anniversary date of the original billing, until the full debt is paid. This billing may also be paid in full at any time if the abutter so desires. The unpaid balance is subject to an interest rate based on the maximum of the prime rate as set by the Royal Bank of Canada plus 2% at time of notification.

If you have any question pertaining to this matter, please do not hesitate to call Ann Reid at 490-6849 or e-mail: reida@halifax.ca.

Yours very truly,



Ann Reid
LIC Clerk

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cc: Councillor Gary Meade, District 23

Mike Labrecque, P.Eng., Director, Transportation & Public Works

Dave Hubley, P.Eng., Manager, Design & Constuction Services

March 15, 2006

Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: Paving - Sussex Drive
Limits Buckingham Dr. to Bingham Dr.

In order to facilitate the development of a list of paving projects for future Capital Budget consideration, we are attaching a survey for your review.

The purpose of this survey is to ascertain if there is sufficient support from property owners regarding the proposed paving of Sussex Drive. If Regional Council approves this project, paving will be subjected to Local Improvement Charges (LIC) as stated in By-Law Number S-400. Each year the LIC is determined and presented to Regional Council for their approval. As the rate is determined on an annual basis, the charge is subject to change. For the purpose of this survey an interim rate of \$30 per linear foot is being used. This is an estimated amount and it is unknown at this point in time as to when the paving of the street will be approved in the capital budget. As a note, the approved 2005 rate was \$21.68 per linear foot.

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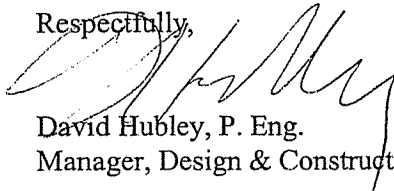
If you are in agreement to pay the interim frontage rate of \$30.00 per foot of your property for paving, please sign and return the attached agreement by **April 14, 2006** to:

Mail: Ms. Ann Reid, LIC Clerk
Design & Construction Services
P.O. Box 1749
Halifax, NS B3J 3A5

Hand Deliver: Ms. Ann Reid, LIC Clerk
21 Mount Hope Ave.
Dartmouth, NS
Fax: (902) 490-4858
Email: reida@halifax.ca

Residents will be notified in writing if the Local Improvement Rate exceeds the interim rate of \$30.00. If you require further clarification, please call Ms. Ann Reid at (902) 490-6849.

Respectfully,


David Hubley, P. Eng.
Manager, Design & Construction Services

cc: Councillor Gary Meade, District 23
Mike Labrecque, P.Eng., Director, Transportation & Public Works Services

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July 10, 2006

All Property Owners

Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: Survey Results
Sussex Drive- Buckingham Dr. to Bingham Dr.

This is to inform you of the result of the survey that closed on April, 2006 for new paving on Sussex Drive.

Under the HRM Local Improvement Policy & By-Law Number S-400 and subject to budget considerations, street paving may be implemented provided there has been a successful survey from the property owners showing that 50% of the total frontage are in favour of the project. Your street has met the required 50% approval. Sussex Drive will be added to the list of successfully surveyed streets, however, at this time staff cannot confirm when the work will be carried out. Staff will be reviewing the complete list of successfully surveyed streets and the selection process over the next several months in preparation of future capital budgets.

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