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Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

Dan English, Chief Administrative Officer

Wayne Anstey, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer - Operations

DATE:

August 15, 2007

SUBJECT:

Award - Unit Price Tender No. 07-266, New Sidewalk, Cow Bay Road

- East Region

ORIGIN

The 2006/07 and 2007/08 Capital Budgets.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Council:

- 1. approve the recovery of Local Improvement Charges for the new concrete sidewalk and new curb and gutter on Cow Bay Road East Region by an area rate to the Urban area of District 8;
- 2. award Tender No. 07-266, New Sidewalk, Cow Bay Road East Region to Dexter Construction Company Limited for a Total Tender Price of \$673,529.65 (net HST included) with funding from Capital Account No. CJU00785 New Sidewalks, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

The Approved 2006/07 and 2007/08 Capital Budgets include funds for a new sidewalk on Cow Bay Road from Heritage Hills Drive to Samuel Daniel Drive.

DISCUSSION

Tenders were called on July 28, 2007 and closed on August 9, 2007. Bids were received from the following companies:

Name of Company	Bid Price (Net HST Included)		
Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$ 673,529.65*		
Silco Contracting Limited	\$ 725,554.44		
W. Eric Whebby Limited	\$ 746,757.38		
Ocean Contractors Limited	\$ 786,267.26		
Basin Contracting Limited	\$ 815,020.52		
Lafarge Canada Inc.	\$1,029,015.12		

*recommended bidder

The scope of work for this tender generally consists of the installation of concrete curb and gutter and sidewalk, adjustment to driveways, planting of trees, and associated reinstatement. The project also includes the installation of a storm sewer.

It is anticipated that work will commence within three weeks of the tender award and take seven 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 concrete sidewalk is subject to Local Improvement Charges. As requested by Councillor for the area, Local Improvement Charges will be based on a charge per foot of frontage, and will be recovered by a general area rate to the Urban area of District 8.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$673,529.65, including net HST, funding is available in the Approved 2006/07 and 2007/08 Capital Budget from Account No. CJU00785 - New Sidewalks. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

Budget Summary: <u>Capital Account No. CJU00785 - New Sidewalks</u>

 Cumulative Unspent Budget
 \$1,198,409

 Less: Tender No. 07-266
 \$673,530*

 Balance
 \$524,879

The balance of funds will be used to implement the remaining 2007/08 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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^{*} This project was estimated in the Approved 2006/07 and 2007/08 Capital Budgets at \$280,000 and \$300,000 respectively for a total of \$580,000.