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Halifax Regional Council
February 5, 2008

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: January 21, 2008

SUBJECT: Award of Tender No.07-172 - Site Development Mainland Common

ORIGIN

Approved 2005/06 Capital Budget

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Regional Council award Tender No.07-172 to Dexter Construction for a total Tender Price of \$1,805,870.34.(net HST included), with funding from Capital Account No. CB100091 - Mainland Commons Recreation Facility.

BACKGROUND

The Mainland Common is a municipally owned land assembly in Mainland North Halifax. The undeveloped lands were purchased to provide recreation opportunities for residents of Clayton Park West, as well as the rest of the citizens of the City of Halifax. For the past number of years, HRM has evaluated and studied the prospects associated with siting a new community recreation centre on the Mainland Common. Final design details of the facility and a funding strategy are currently being reviewed with the Provincial and Federal Governments; however, there is a need to proceed with site preparation work to enable the site to be ready for construction of the facility next summer and to expend the Canada Nova Scotia Infrastructure (CNSIP) funds by March 31, 2008. As a result, it is necessary to proceed with the tender for the site development construction on Thomas Raddall Drive as soon as possible.

The scope of work proposed for this tender is not tied to a specific building footprint or design, only the building location. The work will include the realignment of Thomas Raddall and site preparation for the building and parking lots.

DISCUSSION

Tender No. 07-172 was advertised on December 15 and 19, 2007 and closed on January 17, 2008. A total of four tender bids were received and are summarized as follows:

Company	Lump Sum Price (before net HST)	Total Cost (incl net HST)
Dexter Construction	\$1,746,000.00	\$1,805,870.34
ACL Construction	\$1,821,000.00	\$1,883,442.09
Brycon Construction	\$1,895,000.00	\$1,959,979.55
J.R. Eisener Construction	\$2,639,000.00	\$2,729,491.31

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Budget Summary Capital Account No. CB100091 - Mainland Common Recreation Centre

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$4,114,748
Less Tender No. 07-172 (net HST included)	<u>\$1,805,870</u>
Balance	\$2,308,878

The approved budget for this work is \$2,000,000. Any remaining balance of the funds from this account will be used as funding for the construction and outfitting of the Mainland Common Recreation Facility.

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

Council could choose to defer/delay the project. This is not the recommended approach given the current condition of the Northcliffe facility, the requirement for the 2011 Canada Winter Games Legacy Field House, and the loss of CNSIP infrastructure funding.

ATTACHMENTS

No Attachments

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