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Halifax Regional Council
May 13, 2008

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

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SUBMITTED BY:

Dan English, Chief Administrative Officer

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Wayne Anstey, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer - Operations

DATE: April 30th, 2008

SUBJECT: Award - Tender No. 08P662
Planting of Seedlings Point Pleasant Park (PPP)

ORIGIN

Forest Management practice for Point Pleasant Park as laid out in PPP management Plan, funded by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA), Brown Spruce Longhorn Beetle Compensation Program (BSLB).

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Halifax Regional Council Award Tender No. 08P662, Planting of Seedlings Point Pleasant Park (PPP) to Coastal Trilling Reforestation for a price of \$51,611, net HST included with funding from CPU 00930, Point Pleasant Park Upgrades.

BACKGROUND

As part of the on going restoration of PPP after Hurricane Juan trees will be planted in several stages, this particular planting is directed at south facing slopes. Funds from federal sources have been used to acquire 42,000 seedlings for spring 2008 planting. These seedlings are currently being stored by HRM, and require planting.

DISCUSSION

Staff had anticipated this work to cost less than \$50,000, so a request for quote, RFQ 08P662 was advertised on the HRM website from April 17, 2008 to April 24, 2008. As this project was not advertised in newspaper publications as per the tendering process and the award exceeds \$50,000, the Procurement Policy states that a report for Council approval is required.

Name of Company

Bid Price (Net HST Included)

1.Coastal Trilling Reforestation	\$51,611*
2.First Class Grass Landscaping & Lawn Care	\$129,286.07

*Recommended bidder

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Federal funds from Canadian Food Inspection Agency, Brown Spruce Longhorn Beetle compensation program will be used to fund the planting.

The original budget for this project was \$42,000.

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, it must also be noted this work is time sensitive and should be awarded ASAP

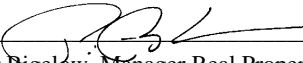
ATTACHMENTS

N/A

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