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> Halifax Regional Council May 30, 2006

TO:

Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

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

DATE:

May 18, 2006

SUBJECT:

Award of Unit Price Tender No. 06-236, Paving Renewal and New

Sidewalk, Hillside Avenue - Central Region

ORIGIN

The Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Council:

- 1. approve the recovery of Local Improvement Charges for the new concrete sidewalk on Hillside Avenue Central Region by an area rate for District 20;
- 2. award Tender No. 06-236, Paving Renewal and New Concrete Sidewalk, Hillside Avenue Central Region to Dexter Construction Company Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$744,565 including net HST from Capital Account No. CYU00784, Paving Renewals, Capital Account No. CJU00785, New Sidewalks, and Capital Account No. CRU00683, Curb Renewals, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications Section of this report.

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BACKGROUND

The Approved Advanced 2006/2007 Capital Budget included funds for the paving renewal and new sidewalk of Hillside Avenue from Hillcrest Avenue to Skyridge Avenue.

DISCUSSION

Tenders were called on April 15, 2006 and closed on May 3, 2006. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

		<u>Bid Price</u>
1.	Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$ 719,880
2.	Basin Contracting Limited	\$ 897,955
3.	Ocean Contractors Limited	\$ 906,800
4.	Lafarge Canada Incorporated	\$1,072,500

The scope of work for this tender generally consists of the replacement of existing asphalt curb with new concrete curb and gutter, renewing the pavement, installation of new concrete sidewalk and associated reinstatement.

It is anticipated that work will commence in the month of July and take ten 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 Harvey, Local Improvement Charges will be based on a charge per foot of frontage, and will be recovered by a general area rate of District 20. 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 all the tenders have been completed and the final costs determined.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$719,880, plus net HST for a total project cost of \$744,565, funding is available in the Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget from Capital Account No. CYU00784, Paving Renewals, Capital Account No. CJU00785, New Sidewalks, and Capital Account No. CRU00683, Curb Renewals. The budget availability has been confirmed by Financial Services.

Budget Summary:	Account No, CYU00784, Advanced Approved 2006/07 Paving Renewals		
	Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$ 3,360,925	
	Less: Tender 06-236	<u>\$ 438,969*</u>	
	Remaining Balance	\$ 2,921,956	
	Account No. CJU00785, Advanced Approved 2006/07 New Sidewalks		
	Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$ 1,980,000	
	Less: Tender 06-206	\$ 255,356*	
	Remaining Balance	\$ 1,724,644	
	Account No. CRU00683, Advanced Approved 2006/07 <u>Curb Renewals</u>		
	Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$ 670,626	
	Less: Tender 06-206	\$ 50,240*	
	Remaining Balance	\$ 620,386	

^{*} These projects were estimated in the Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget at \$686,500, \$310,000 and \$80,000, respectively.

The remaining funds from these accounts are required to implement the remaining 2006/07 Paving Renewals, New Sidewalks, and Curb Renewal 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.

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