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Halifax Regional Council
August 8, 2006

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY: Wayne Anstey
Wayne Anstey, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: July 28, 2006

SUBJECT: **Award of Unit Price Tender No. 06-263, Basinview Drive New Sidewalk - Central Region**

ORIGIN

The Approved 2006/07 Capital Budget.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Council:

1. approve the recovery of Local Improvement Charges for the new concrete sidewalk on Basinview Drive from Oakridge Drive to Horizon Road - Central Region by a total district area rate for District 21.
2. award Tender No. 06-263, Basinview Drive New Sidewalk - Central Region to Humphreys Landscape and Construction 1996 Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$195,554 including net HST from Capital Account No. CJU00785, New Sidewalks, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications Section of this report.

BACKGROUND

The Approved 2006/07 Capital Budget included funds for a new sidewalk on Basinview Drive from Oakridge Drive to Horizon Road.

DISCUSSION

Tenders were called on June 28, 2006 and closed on July 12, 2006. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

	<u>Bid Price</u>
1. Humphreys Landscape and Construction1996 Limited	\$189,071.00
2. Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$247,100.00
3. Ocean Contractors Limited	\$270,100.00
4. Lafarge Canada Inc.	\$329,500.00
5. Basin Contracting Limited	\$355,860.00

The scope of work for this tender generally consists of the construction of concrete sidewalk on the east side of Basinview Drive from Oakridge Drive to Horizon Road.

It is anticipated that work will commence within three weeks of the tender award and take eight 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 concrete sidewalk is subject to Local Improvement Charges . In keeping with past practice in District 21, Local Improvement Charges will be based on a charge per foot of frontage, and will be recovered by a general area rate for District 21. Once the By-Election has been held, staff will discuss this issue with the newly elected Councillor. If a change is warranted, staff will bring this forward to Regional Council. 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 have been determined.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$189,071.00, plus net HST for a total project cost of \$195,554, funding is available in the Approved 2006/07 Capital Budget from Account No. CJU00785, New Sidewalks. The budget availability has been confirmed by Financial Services.

Budget Summary:

Account No. CJU00785, New Sidewalk

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$860,462
Less: Tender 06-263	\$195,554 *
Less: Tender 06-222	<u>\$ 29,757</u>
	\$635,151

* This project was estimated in the Approved 2006/07 Capital Budget at \$265,000

The remaining funds from this account are required to implement the remaining 2006/07 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.

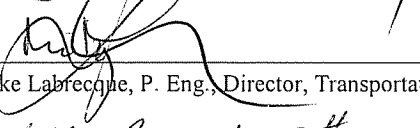
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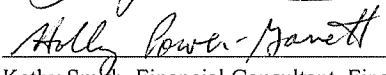
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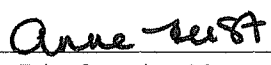
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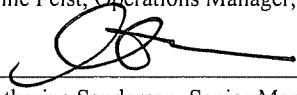
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