


Item No. 11.1.1
Halifax Regional Council
September 20, 2011

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

Original signed by 

SUBMITTED BY: _____

Richard Butts, Chief Administrative Officer

Original Signed by 

Mike Labrecque, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Operations

DATE: August 29, 2011

SUBJECT: Award Tender No. 11-181, North Preston Community Centre
Expansion

ORIGIN

Approved 2010/11 Project Budget.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Halifax Regional Council award Tender No. 11-181, for North Preston Community Centre Expansion, to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, Select Projects Ltd., for a Total Tender Price of **\$2,367,292.20** (net HST included), with funding from Project No. CBX01141, North Preston Community Centre Expansion, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of this Report.

BACKGROUND

The current North Preston Community Centre was built in 2003 and it was one of the first centres built in HRM to serve the specific programming needs of a community. The demographics for the area indicates a large percentage of young people require additional space for a variety of recreational activities. This expansion will address this need by making additional program spacing beyond the existing gym and meeting room.

The North Preston Community Centre expansion will be approximately 4,873 square feet in area and involves a partnership between HRM Community Development and the RCMP. The aim is to improve safety and security in the community, improve service delivery options, and enhance visibility of the RCMP. The inclusion of the RCMP in this facility will help to achieve the goals and recommendations of the Mayor's Roundtable on Violence and Public Safety, as well as support for the Community Outcome Area for Safe, Inclusive, and Welcoming Communities.

DISCUSSION

Tender No. 11-181 was posted on the HRM internet web site on July 27, 2011, and closed on August 25, 2011.

Bids were received from the following qualified bidders:

Company	Unit Price Cost (Before net HST)	Total Unit Price Cost (net HST included)
Select Projects Ltd.	\$2,270,000.00	\$2,367,292.20*
Avondale Construction Ltd.	\$2,435,460.00	\$2,539,843.82

*recommended bidder

The scope of work for this project, which includes an addition to the west side of the existing building, will include RCMP offices, a computer room, games room, arts and craft room and additional washrooms for the community centre.

Construction will commence immediately after the award of the contract and take approximately eight months to complete. This project is not considered high risk.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$2,270,000.00, plus non-refundable net HST of \$97,292.20, for a total tender price of \$2,367,292.20, funding is available from Project No. CBX01141- North Preston Community Centre Expansion. The budget availability has been confirmed by Finance.

Budget Summary: Project No. CBX01141 – North Preston Community Centre Expansion

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$2,500,959.90
Less: Tender No. 11-181	<u>\$2,367,292.20</u>
Balance	\$ 133,667.70

*This project was estimated in the approved 2010/11 budget for \$2.5 million.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES/BUSINESS PLAN

This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Project and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

There were ongoing community discussions to determine the scope of work for this project.

ALTERNATIVES

Council could choose to not award this tender for the construction of the North Preston Community Centre Expansion; however, this is not recommended by staff.

ATTACHMENTS

None

**Tender No. 11-181 Award
North Preston Community Centre Expansion
Council Report**

- 4 -

September 20, 2011

A copy of this report can be obtained online at <http://www.halifax.ca/council/agendasc/cagenda.html> then choose the appropriate meeting date, or by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

Report Prepared by: Bogdan Hadlaw, Project Manager, Facility Development, 490-6050

Report Approved by: _____
Terry Gallagher, Manager, Facility Development, IAM, 476-4067

Procurement Review: _____
Anne Feist, Manager, Procurement (490-4200)

Report Approved by: _____
Peter Duncan, P.Eng., Acting Director, IAM, 490-5449

Original Signed