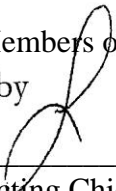


**Item No. 11.1.7**  
**Halifax Regional Council**  
**June 26, 2012**

**TO:** Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council  
Original Signed by 

**SUBMITTED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Mike Labrecque, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

**DATE:** May 30, 2012

**SUBJECT:** Award - Unit Price Tender No. 12-219, Joseph Howe Drive Turn  
Lanes - Halifax - West Region

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**ORIGIN**

The Approved 2012/13 Project Budget.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Halifax Regional Municipality award Tender No. 12-219, Joseph Howe Drive Turn Lanes – West Region, to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, Dexter Construction Company Limited, for a Total Tender Price of \$912,189.64 (net HST included) with funding from Project Nos. CTU01286 – Joseph Howe Drive Turn Lanes & CTU01086 – Intersection Improvements, as outlined in the Budget Implications section of this report.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Approved 2012/13 Project Budget includes funds for the Joseph Howe Drive Turn Lanes.

## **DISCUSSION**

Tenders were called and posted to the Province of Nova Scotia's Procurement website on May 8, 2012, and closed on May 25, 2012. Bids were received from the following companies:

<b><u>Name of Company</u></b>	<b><u>Bid Price (net HST included)</u></b>
Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$ 912,189.64 *
Ocean Contractors Limited	\$ 964,958.36
Basin Contracting Limited	\$1,259,503.74

### **\*recommended bidder**

The scope of work for this tender generally consists of widening the west side of the street to accommodate traffic turn lanes. This includes realigning the curb, upgrading the traffic signals, removing overhead sign trusses, fabricating and installing a new overhead sign structure, pavement resurfacing and associated reinstatement work.

Work of the overhead cantilever sign structure comprises construction of a concrete footing, fabrication and erection of a galvanized steel cantilever sign support structure and installation of the sign panel.

It is anticipated that work will commence within three weeks of the tender award and take 14 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.

There are no Local Improvement Charges associated with this work.

## **BUDGET IMPLICATIONS**

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$874,700.00, plus net HST of \$37,489.64, for a net total of \$912,189.64, funding is available in the Approved 2012/13 Project Budget from Project Nos. CTU01286 – Joseph Howe Drive Turn Lanes & CTU01086 – Intersection Improvements. The budget availability has been confirmed by Finance.

### **Budget Summary: Project No. CTU01286 - Joseph Howe Drive Turn Lanes**

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$ 892,271.38
<b>Less: Tender No. 12-219</b>	<b><u>\$ 892,271.38 *</u></b>
Balance	\$ 0.00

### **Project No. CTU01086 – Intersection Improvements**

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$2,732,721.98
<b>Less: Tender 12-219</b>	<b><u>\$ 19,918.26</u></b>
Balance	\$2,712,803.72

\*This project was estimated in the Approved 2012/13 Project Budget at \$860,000.

The balance of funds in Project No. CTU01086 (\$2,712,803.72) will be used to implement the remaining 2012/13 projects approved by Council.

## **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN**

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

## **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS**

Environmental issues were examined as part of the engineering design process and no implications were identified.

## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

A community information meeting was held in February, 2011.

## **ALTERNATIVES**

Council could choose not to approve the recommendations in this report, but this is not recommended by staff.

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