



Item No. 11.1.7
Halifax Regional Council
April 15, 2014

TO: Mayor Savage and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

Original signed by 

Richard Butts, Chief Administrative Officer

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Mike Labrecque, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: March 12, 2014

SUBJECT: Award - Unit Price Tender No. 14-203, Resurfacing, New Sidewalk South Side, Traffic Improvements and Watermain Renewal – Wright Avenue - East Region

ORIGIN

The Approved Advanced 2014/15 Project Budget as per the Council approved policy of September 16, 2008 regarding advanced funding of capital projects.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

Under the HRM Charter, Section 79 Halifax Regional Council may expend money for municipal purposes. Administrative Order #35, the Procurement Policy, requires Council to approve the award of contracts for sole sources exceeding \$50,000 or \$500,000 for Tenders and RFPs.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that Council:

1. Approve a budget increase of \$729,182.05 (net HST included) to Project Account No. CR000005 – Street Recapitalization, funded through cost sharing with Halifax Water.
2. Award Tender No. 14-203, Resurfacing, New Sidewalk South Side, Traffic Improvements and Watermain Renewal – Wright Avenue – East Region, to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, Dexter Construction Company Limited for a Total Tender Price of \$1,400,456.69 (net HST included) with funding from Project Account Nos. CR000005 – Street Recapitalization, CR000003- New Sidewalk, CTU01086 – Intersection Improvement Project and CT000004 – Controller Cabinet and Detection Program, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

The Approved Advanced 2014/15 Project Budget includes funds for the resurfacing, new sidewalk, traffic improvements and vehicle detection replacement on Wright Avenue from Windmill Road to MacDonald Avenue.

DISCUSSION

Tender 14-203 was publicly advertised on the Province of Nova Scotia's Procurement website on February 20, 2014 and closed on March 6, 2014. Bids were received from following companies:

<u>Name of Company</u>	<u>Bid Price (net HST included)</u>
Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$1,400,456.69*
ARCP-Atlantic Road Construction & Paving Limited	\$1,665,958.42
Ocean Contractors Limited	\$1,752,821.36
Brycon Construction Limited	\$2,037,180.08

***recommended bidder**

The scope of work for this Tender generally consists of paving renewal including full depth removal of existing asphalt, installation of new asphalt and associated reinstatement, installation of new concrete sidewalk, some curb and gutter replacement as well as street widening from Haliburton Avenue to Windmill Road to accommodate a third turning lane. The project also includes watermain renewal.

It is anticipated that work will commence within 3 weeks of the Tender award and take 16 weeks to complete. The watermain renewal work will be completed at night.

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.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$1,342,900.00 plus net HST of \$57,556.69 for a net total of \$1,400,456.69, funding is available in the Approved Advanced 2014/15 Project Budget from Project Account Nos. CR000005 – Street Recapitalization, CR000003 – New Sidewalk, CTU01086 – Intersection Improvement Project and CT000004 – Controller Cabinet and Detection Program. The budget availability has been confirmed by Finance.

Budget Summary:

Project Account No. CR000005 – Street Recapitalization

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$8,158,289.26
Plus: Halifax Water Cost Sharing	\$ 729,182.05
Less: Tender No. 14-203	<u>\$1,106,908.29 *</u>
Balance	\$7,780,563.02

Project Account No. CR000003 – New Sidewalks

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$ 424,269.97
Less: Tender No. 14-203	<u>\$ 189,638.88*</u>
Balance	\$ 234,631.09

Project Account No. CTU01086 – Intersection Improvement Project

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$1,251,189.97
Less: Tender No. 14-203	<u>\$ 77,838.02 *</u>
Balance	\$1,173,351.95

Project Account No. CT000004 – Controller Cabinet and Detection Program

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$ 485,405.38
Less: Tender No. 14-203	<u>\$ 26,071.50 *</u>
Balance	\$ 459,333.88

*This project was estimated in the Approved Advanced 2014/15 Project Budget at \$530,000, \$225,000, \$78,000 and \$35,000 respectively. As a result of cost sharing from the Halifax Water, the net cost to Project Account No. CR000005 is \$377,762.

The balance of funds will be used to implement the remaining 2014/15 street recapitalization, new sidewalk, intersection improvement and controller cabinet and detection program projects approved by Council.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Implications not identified.

ALTERNATIVES

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

ATTACHMENT

A1 – 14-203- HW Cost Share Letter

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.

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MEMORANDUM

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CC: Bruce Colborne, P.Eng., A/Manager, Design & Construction Services
Jamie Hannam, P.Eng., MBA, Halifax Water
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FROM: John Fawcett, P.Eng., Design & Construction Services

DATE: March 7, 2014

SUBJECT: **Tender No. 14-203, Resurfacing, New Sidewalk South Side, Traffic Improvements & Water Main Renewal, Wright Avenue – East Region**

Tender No. 14-203, Resurfacing, New Sidewalk South Side, Traffic Improvements & Water Main Renewal, Wright Avenue – East Region, closed March 6, 2014. Prior to tender award, a cost sharing agreement must be finalized between HRM (Halifax Regional Municipality) and HW (Halifax Water).

Enclosed is a bid comparison summary for the items associated with the water main and sewer work for this project. They are from the lowest bidder, Dexter Construction Company Limited.

In the most recent discussions on this project, HW has agreed to pay for the water main and 50% of the asphalt reinstatement cost relating to their work (based on the unit prices).

Based on the bidder's tender prices and the above cost sharing, Halifax Water's costs for Tender No. 14-203, Resurfacing, New Sidewalk South Side, Traffic Improvements & Water Main Renewal, Wright Avenue – East Region, can be summarized as follows:

Water Main Reinstatement	=	\$ 40,863.75
Water Main Work	=	\$658,350.00
Net HST (i.e., 4.286%)	=	<u>\$ 29,968.30</u>
Project Total	=	<u>\$729,182.05</u>

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Actual cost sharing for this project will be based on final quantities determined during construction.

If you agree to this arrangement, please indicate by signing the enclosed copy and return it to my attention. If you have any questions, please call me at 490-6824.

Thank you,

Original Signed

✓ John Fawcett, P.Eng.

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Original Signed

Kevin Healy, P.Eng. /
Halifax Water

MARCH 12, 2014
Date