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> Halifax Regional Council June 27, 2006

TO:

Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

Wayne Anstey, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

DATE:

June 19, 2006

**SUBJECT:** 

Award of Unit Price Tender No. 06-256, St. Margaret's Bay Road, New

Sidewalk - West 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 St. Margaret's Bay Road West Region by a mapped area rate for District 22.
- 2. award Tender No. 06-256, St. Margaret's Bay Road, New Sidewalk West Region to Dexter Construction Company Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$252,822 including net HST from Capital Account No. CJU00785, New Sidewalks, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications Section of this report.

**Bid Price** 

# **BACKGROUND**

The Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget included funds for a new sidewalk on St. Margaret's Bay Road from James Street to Civic No. 2382, West Region.

#### **DISCUSSION**

Tenders were called on May 20, 2006 and closed on May 31, 2006. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

1.	Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$244,440.00
2.	Ocean Contractors Limited	\$260,300.00
3.	Lafarge Canada Inc.	\$273,500.00
4.	Basin Contracting Limited	\$405,555.00

The scope of work for this tender generally consists of the installation of concrete curb and gutter, concrete sidewalk, storm drainage work, adjustment to driveways and asphalt paving and gravels to match existing road surface.

It is anticipated that work will commence within three weeks of the tender award and take 8 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 Rankin, Local Improvement Charges will be based on a charge per foot of frontage, and will be recovered by a mapped area rate of District 22. 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 \$244,440, plus net HST for a total project cost of \$252,822, funding is available in the Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budget from Capital Account No. CJU00785, New Sidewalks. The budget availability has been confirmed by Financial Services.

# **Budget Summary:**

# Account No. CJU00785, New Sidewalks

Cumulative Unspent Budget \$1,147,935 Less: **Tender 06-256** \$1,147,935 Remaining Uncommitted Balance \$895,113

The remaining funds from these accounts are required to implement the remaining 2006/07 New Sidewalks 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.

# **ATTACHMENT**

Map showing a portion of District 22 to be affected by area rate.

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<sup>\*</sup> This project was estimated in the Approved Advanced 2006/07 Capital Budgets at \$270,000.

