

Halifax Regional Council
April 2, 2002

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:


George McLellan, Chief Administrative Officer


Kulvinder Dhillon, P.Eng., Director, Public Works and Transportation

DATE: March 27, 2002

SUBJECT: Award of Tender No. 02-213, Sidewalk Renewals - Western Region

ORIGIN

Approved 2002/03 Capital Budget.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council award Tender No. 01-213 Sidewalk Renewals - Western Region to Ocean Contractors Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$114,200., plus net HST and 10% for quality control/quality assurance and unforeseen works for a Total Project Cost of \$133,697. from Capital Account CKU00141, Sidewalk Renewals, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

The 2002/03 Approved Capital Budget includes the replacement of concrete sidewalks because of their overall poor condition.

DISCUSSION

The scope of work for this tender includes the renewal of concrete sidewalk, concrete curb and gutter and sodding at the locations listed below:

- Acadia Street (E) - Roome Street to the End
- South Street (S) - Robie Street to Dal.Co-Op Driveway
- Romans Avenue (E) - Cook Avenue to Vaughn Avenue

Tenders for this project were called on February 23, 2002 and closed on March 8, 2002. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

| | <u>Bid Price</u> |
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| 1. Ocean Contractors Limited | \$114,200.00 |
| 2. Precision Concrete Services Limited | \$114,249.25 |
| 3. B.& L. Contracting Limited | \$126,356.00 |
| 4. Lafarge Canada Inc. | \$143,720.60 |
| 5. Dexter Construction Company Ltd. | \$148,200.00 |
| 6. Basin Contracting Limited | \$169,980.00 |

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$114,200. from Ocean Contractors Limited, plus net HST and 10% for quality control/quality assurance and unforeseen works, the Total Project Cost is \$133,697.

Since this tender involves the renewal of existing infrastructures with identical materials at the same location, Local Improvement Charges are not applicable.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Funding for this tender is available in the 2002/03 Approved Capital Budget under the Account Number CKU00141 - Sidewalk Renewals with an uncommitted balance of \$ 1,820,636. (gross budget \$3,549,414.) This has been confirmed by staff of Finance. The remaining funds from the uncommitted balance are required to implement the other sidewalk renewal locations 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.

This tender is part of an ongoing program of sidewalk upgrading within HRM. New sidewalks require less future maintenance and are safer for pedestrian traffic.

ALTERNATIVES

There are no recommended alternatives to this course of action.

Additional copies of this report, and information on its status, can be obtained by contacting the Office of the Municipal Clerk at 490-4210, or Fax 490-4208.

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