

Halifax Regional Council May 21, 2002

TO:

Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

George McLellan, Chief Administrative Officer

Dan English, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

DATE:

May 14, 2002

**SUBJECT:** 

Award of Unit Price Tender No. 02-238, Quigley's Corner Forcemain,

Phase III, East Region

#### **ORIGIN**

Approved 2001/02 Capital Budget.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that Council award Tender No. 02-238, Quigley's Corner Forcemain, Phase III, East Region to Ocean Contractors Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$478,500., plus net HST from Capital Account CSR00804, Quigley's Corner Forcemain, Phase III with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of this report.

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#### **BACKGROUND**

An engineering study was completed in 1997 and recommended the replacement of the existing ductile iron forcemain which has extensive corrosion and has been subject to frequent breaks. The 2001/2002 Approved Capital Budget includes funds to replace the existing forcemain with a new twinned forcemain system. The new forcemain system will improve service and reduce operation and maintenance costs.

### **DISCUSSION**

Tenders for this project were called on April 3, 2002 and closed on April 17, 2002. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

		Bid Price
1.	Ocean Contractors Limited	\$478,500.00
2.	Amber Contracting Limited	\$531,880.00
3.	W. Eric Whebby Ltd.	\$608,000.00
4.	Harbour Construction Co. Ltd.	\$628,140.00
5.	A.C.L. Construction Limited	\$639,008.00
6.	J.R. Eisener Contracting Limited	\$666,005.60
7.	Brycon Construction Limited	\$678,438.20
8.	Tri-Ex Construction Limited	\$683,410.00
9.	Dexter Construction Company Ltd.	\$740,750.00

This is a unit price contract and the cost will be dependent upon quantities measured and approved by the HRM Project Manager.

It is anticipated that construction for this project will commence within four weeks after the tender is awarded.

The installation of the new forcemain is a repair to existing services, therefore Local Improvement Charges do not apply.

## **BUDGET IMPLICATIONS**

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$478,500. from Ocean Contractors Limited plus net HST for a total of \$509,265. funding is available in the 2001/02 Approved Capital Budget under the Capital Account Number CSR00804, Quigley's Corner Forcemain, Phase III. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

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Budget Summary Project CSR00804 - Quigley's Corner Forcemain, Phase III

Cumulative Unspent Budget \$849,296. Less: Tender No. 02-238 \$509,265.

\$340,031.

# 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.

As the infrastructure ages, it will require future funding for maintenance or reconstruction.

#### **ALTERNATIVES**

There are no recommended alternatives to this course of action.

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