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DATE: February 11, 2003

SUBJECT: Tender 02-201, Overhead Crosswalk Lights Western Region

INFORMATION REPORT

ORIGIN

May 21, 2002 meeting of Halifax Regional Council, item 10.2.2.

Tender 02-201, Overhead Crosswalk Lights Western Region

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BACKGROUND

Regional Council awarded a tender for the installation of several overhead crosswalk lights. In doing so, they asked that two of the installations on Jubilee Road be deferred until staff could complete an evaluation of appropriate traffic control at each intersection.

DISCUSSION

In a September 3, 2002 report to Peninsula Community Council, staff advised that an analysis of traffic control at the Jubilee/Preston and Jubilee/Vernon intersections had been completed. The assessment showed that the Jubilee/Preston intersection clearly does not meet the criteria for all-way stop control, but that the Jubilee/Vernon intersection may be considered for such control.

It was agreed, with Community Council, that a trial installation of all-way stop control would be undertaken. That trial is ongoing.

Accordingly, staff will proceed with the tendered installation of overhead pedestrian lights at the Jubilee/Preston intersection. The installation of overhead pedestrian lights at Jubilee/Vernon has now been removed from the original tender. If, following the current trial, it is determined that allway stop control is not appropriate at the Jubilee/Vernon intersection, overhead crossing light installation will be retendered.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

There are no immediate budget implications. The contractor who was originally awarded the tender has agreed that neither the removal of the Jubilee/Vernon lights from the tender nor the delay in constructing the Jubilee/Preston lights will result in additional cost above the tendered price.

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.

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