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Halifax Regional Council
August 19, 2003

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:



Dan English, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: August 11, 2003

SUBJECT: **Award of Unit Price Tender No. 03-260, Storm Sewer and New Paving,
Centre Street - Central Region**

ORIGIN

Approved 2000/01 and 2003/04 Capital Budgets.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Regional Council:

1. approve the recovery of Local Improvement Charges for the new paving of Centre Street by levy of frontage charges based on the 2003/04 rates approved by Council.
2. award Tender No. 03-260, Storm Sewer and New Paving, Centre Street, Central Region to Dexter Construction Company Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$87,560, plus net HST for a total of \$93,189 from Account Nos. CGR00782, Centre Street - Storm Sewer and CXR00332, New Paving of Subdivision Streets Inside the Core Area, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

The 2000/01 and 2003/04 Approved Capital Budgets includes funds for the paving of subdivision streets inside the Core Area and various storm drainage improvement works.

DISCUSSION

Tenders for this project were called on July 19, 2003 and closed on August 1, 2003. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

	<u>Bid Price</u>
1. Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$ 87,560.00
2. Ocean Contractors Limited	\$118,815.00
3. Lafarge Canada Inc.	\$165,060.00

The scope of work for this tender includes the installation of 750 mm dia. storm sewer across Centre Street and Union Street, a concrete trench drain, an outlet headwall, inlet structure and rock lined ditch and associated works including a new manhole and catchbasin and watermain relocation. The new paving includes scarifying the existing gravel, placing and compacting gravels and asphaltic concrete.

It is anticipated that construction will commence within three weeks of the tender award.

This is a **UNIT PRICE** contract and the cost will be dependant upon the actual quantities measured and approved by the HRM Project Manager.

Installation of new paving is subject to Local Improvement Charges. The recoverable cost will be calculated by using the recoverable frontage multiplied by the applicable rate approved by Council under By-Law Number S-412 for 2003/04. The new rate for paving is \$14.73 per lineal foot frontage.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Funding for this project in the amount of \$87,560, plus net HST for a total of \$93,189 is available in the 2000/01 Approved Capital Budget under Account No. CGR00782, Centre Street - Storm Sewer and in the 2003/04 Approved Capital Budget under Account No. CXR00332, New Paving of Subdivision Streets Inside the Core Area. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

Budget Summary: Account No. CGR00782, Centre Street - Storm Sewer
Cumulative Unspent Budget \$187,876
Less: Tender No. 03-260 \$ 66,497*
\$121,379

Account No. CXR00332, New Paving of Subdivision Streets Inside the
Core Area
Cumulative Unspent Budget \$33,345
Less: Tender 03-260 \$26,692*
\$ 6,653

* The projects included in this tender were estimated in the 2002/03 Capital Budget at \$220,000.

Centre Street Storm Sewer \$200,000
Centre Street (Pine to end) - New Paving \$ 20,000
\$220,000

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.

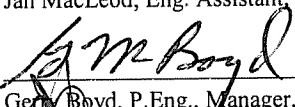
Environmental Management Services, who co-ordinated the development of the project and its inclusion in the Capital Budget, have reviewed this report and concur with its recommendations.

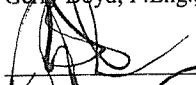
ALTERNATIVES

There are no recommended alternatives to this course of action.

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