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Halifax Regional Council
August 26, 2003

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

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Dan English, Acting Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: August 14, 2003

SUBJECT: **Award of Tender No. 03-092R**
Le Marchant/St. Thomas Elementary School Playground Installation

ORIGIN

Approved 2003/04 Capital Budget under Account No. CPC00303 - Playground Upgrades & Replacements and Account No. CCV00188 - District 13 District Capital Funds.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that :

1. Council award Tender No. 03-092R to Little Tykes Commercial Play Systems Inc., for materials and services specified at unit prices quoted for a tender price of \$55,933.38 plus net HST, for a total amount of \$59,529.34 from Capital Account #CPC00303, Playground Upgrades & Replacements and CCV00188, District 13 Capital Funds, as outlined in the Budget Implications of this report.

BACKGROUND

The Le Marchant/St. Thomas Elementary School currently does not have a play area to meet the needs of the school. It has been the historical mandate of the municipality to provide and maintain play areas at school facilities, as these sites are considered to be HRM community parks.

Through consultation with the LeMarchant/St. Thomas Elementary School PTA the scope of this project will see the supply and installation of a new play area. The award of this tender will complete Phase One, which will see the installation of the main play component. Phase Two of this project is currently in the design phase and will include landscaping and some additional equipment and park amenities. When completed this project will not only enhance the recreational opportunities for the students at the school facility, but the community as well.

DISCUSSION

Three bids, exclusive of taxes, were received.

<u>Company</u>	<u>Bid Price</u>
1. ADM Deck and Playgrounds (for the supply and installation of the play structure only, and not the total project)	\$49,950.00
2. Humphreys Landscape and Construction Ltd. (total project)	\$64,235.50
3. Little Tikes Commercial Play Systems Inc. (total project)	\$55,933.38

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$55,933.38, plus net HST, for a total of \$59,529.34, funding is available in the 2003/04 Approved Capital Budget under Capital Account No. CPC00303 - Playground Upgrades & Replacement and CCV00188 - District 13 Capital Funds. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

Budget Summary:

Capital Account No: CPC00303 - Playground Upgrades & Replacements

Cumulative Unspent Budget	\$949,653.54
Less: Tender No. 03-092R	- 19,614.34
	\$930,039.20

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Capital Account No: CCV00188 - District 13 Capital Funds

Cumulative Unpsent Budget	\$ 63,408.91
Less: Tender No. 03-092R	- <u>39,915.00</u>
	\$ 23,493.91

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT POLICIES / BUSINESS PLAN

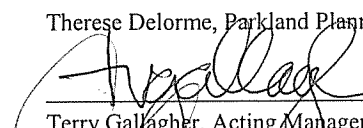
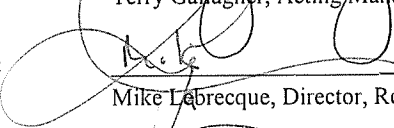
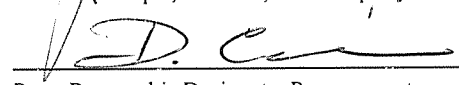
This report complies with the Municipality's Multi-Year Financial Strategy, the approved Operating, Capital and Reserve budgets, policies and procedures regarding withdrawals from the utilization of Capital and Operating reserves, as well as any relevant legislation.

REGIONAL PLANNING IMPLICATIONS

No impact.

ALTERNATIVES

Council could decide not to accept the lowest bid and reissue the tender for this project.

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