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> Halifax Regional Council September 2, 2003

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

George McLellan, Chief Administrative Officer

Dan English, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

**DATE:** August 22, 2003

SUBJECT: Award of Unit Price Tender No. 03-252, St. Margaret's Bay Road

New Sidewalk -West Region

#### **ORIGIN**

Approved 2003/04 Capital Budget.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Regional Council:

- approve the recovery of Local Improvement Charges for the installation of new concrete curb and gutter and new concrete sidewalk along the north side of St. Margaret's Bay Road, from Governor Drive to Wilbert Devoe Drive in the amount of \$104,660, by a special area rate applied to a portion of District 22 (as shown on the attached sketch).
- 2. award Tender No. 03-252, New Sidewalk St. Margaret's Bay Road to Ocean Contractors Limited for materials and services listed at the unit prices quoted for a Tender Price of \$439,975, plus net HST for a total of \$468,261, from Account No. CJR00956, New Sidewalk, with funding authorized as per the Budget Implications section of this report.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The 2003/04 Approved Capital Budget includes funds for the construction of a concrete sidewalk and concrete curb and gutter to provide for pedestrian safety.

# **DISCUSSION**

Tenders for this project were called on August 13, 2003 and closed on August 20, 2003. The following bids, exclusive of taxes, were received:

1.	Ocean Contractors Limited	\$ 439,975.00
2.	Basin Contracting Limited	\$ 477,499.70
3.	Dexter Construction Company Limited	\$ 482,999.50
4.	Lafarge Canada Inc.	\$ 512,073.00

The scope of work for this tender includes the installation of a new concrete curb and gutter and concrete sidewalk on the Northeast side of St. Margaret's Bay Road from Governor Drive to Wilbert Devoe Drive.

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

The installation of concrete curb and gutter and concrete sidewalk is subject to Local Improvement Charges. As requested by Councillor Rankin, Local Improvement Charges of \$104,660, based on the 2003/04 rate of \$14.24 per foot for concrete curb and gutter one side and \$14.97 per foot for concrete sidewalk one side, will be recovered by a special area rate applied to a portion of District 22.

#### **BUDGET IMPLICATIONS**

Based on the lowest tendered price of \$439,975 plus net HST, the total cost for this project is \$468,261. Funding is available in Account No. CJR00956, New Sidewalk. The budget availability has been approved by Financial Services.

Budget Summary Account No. CJR00956 New Sidewalk

Cumulative Unspent Budget

\$2,198,380 **\$ 468,261**\*

Less: Tender 03-252

\$1,730,119

The remaining funds in these accounts are required to implement other new sidewalk projects 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.

# **ALTERNATIVES**

There are no recommended alternatives.

## **ATTACHMENT**

Plan showing part of District 22 identified for area rate.

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.

Report Prepared by:

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\*Documents and Settings/Administrator/Local Settings/Temp\03-252 wpd

<sup>\*</sup>The project included in this tender was estimated in the 2003/04 Capital budget at \$275,000.

