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Halifax Regional Council 2 December 2003

TO: Mayor Kelly and Members of Halifax Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

George McLellan, Chief Administrative Officer

Dan English, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: 24 November 2003

SUBJECT: Award of Tender No. 03-143, Eisenhauer Field Lighting

ORIGIN

Approved 2003/2004 Capital Budget. Approved Operating Budget

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Regional Council award Tender No. 03-143 to XL Electric Limited for materials and services specified as the lump sum price quoted of \$63,700.00 plus net HST, for a total project cost of \$67,795.27 from Capital Account No. CPC00304, Ball Field Upgrades and C170, Hammonds Plains Common Rate Account, as outlined in the Budget Implications of this report.

BACKGROUND

Real Property and Asset Management Services in consultation with Community Sporting Groups in the area identified the need for additional softball/lob ball facilities in the Hammonds Plains area. This area has seen substantial population growth in the last five years placing higher demand for recreation facilities. After reviewing different options it was decided to install lights at the Eisenhauer Field, which would double the usage capacity of the field.

DISCUSSION

A tender for this project was advertised and closed on November 14, 2003. The following bids were received.

	<u>Company</u>	Bid Price (excl. taxes)	
1.	XL Electric Limited *	\$ 63,700.00	
2.	Ainsworth Atlantic	\$ 73,554.00	
3.	Black & McDonald Limited	\$ 94,751.92	

^{*} Recommended bidder.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Based on the lowest bid of \$63,700.00 plus net HST for a total project cost of \$67,795.27, funding for this project is available in Capital Account No. CPC00304, Ball Field Upgrades in the amount of \$41,490.17 and Operating Account No. C170, Hammonds Plains Common Rate Account in the amount of \$26,305.10. The budget availability has been confirmed by Financial Services.

Budget Summary:

Account No: CPC00304, Ball Field Upgrades

Cumulative Unspent Budget \$41,490.17 **Less: Tender 03-143** \$41,490.17 0.00

Account No: C170, Hammonds Plains Common Rate Account

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

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

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