



Corporate Report

NO: R156

COUNCIL DATE: July 24, 2006

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: July 14, 2006
FROM: General Manager, Engineering FILE: 4802-409/11
SUBJECT: Coast Meridian Pump Station (168 Street and 72 Avenue)

RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering Department recommends that Council:

1. Authorize staff to award Contract M.S. 4802-409/11 to the low bidder, Westport Construction Group Inc., in the amount of \$1,146,549 (including GST); and
2. Set the expenditure authorization for Contract M.S. 4802-409/11 to \$1,262,000.00 (including GST).

SCOPE OF WORK

Contract M.S. 4802-409/11 consists of the construction of a drainage pump station and related drainage works. The project site is located south of the Serpentine River between 168 Street and Highway 15. The pump station will be located near the south dyke on the Serpentine at the 72 Avenue ROW.

BACKGROUND

The work will improve storm water conveyance in the area, raising the drainage standard to the ARDSA criteria, consistent with the Serpentine-Nicomelk Lowland Flood Control Strategy.

Construction is expected to start August 1, 2006, and be completed by December 1, 2006.

TENDER RESULTS

Tenders for the above contract were received on June 28, 2006 with the results as follows:

Contractor	Tendered Amount with GST	Tendered Amount Less Optional Item
1. Westport	\$1,344,616	\$1,146,549
2. Tritech Industries Ltd.	\$1,483,020	\$1,389,660

An alternate disposal site has been found for the contract; therefore, the optional earthworks component can be removed. This item is not critical for the successful completion of the contract.

The engineer's estimate was \$1 million, including GST. In reviewing the tenders and the engineer's estimate, it was concluded that the engineer's estimate was low for the installation of structural piles. It should also be noted that the construction costs for earthworks are higher than recent tender submissions. However, we recommend award of this project, given that the conveyance works is a critical component, and do not foresee cost savings in the future if this project is deferred given the recent construction cost trends.

EVALUATION

All tenders were checked for legal and mathematical errors. There were no mathematical errors noted. Westport Construction Group Inc. is the low bidder for this contract and has no outstanding claims or legal issues with the City. Their past performance with the City has been satisfactory. We, therefore, are requesting that staff be authorized to award the work to Westport Construction Group Inc., subject to all outstanding issues being resolved.

FUNDING

The required funding is available in 4802-409-11.

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