



# Corporate Report

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## REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: **Mayor & Council** DATE: **November 13, 2007**  
FROM: **General Manager, Engineering** PROJECT FILE: **1707-013/11**  
SUBJECT: **Contract Award - M.S. 1707-013-11**

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## RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering Department recommends that Council rejects all bids and cancels the tender for Contract M.S. 1707-013-11.

## SCOPE OF WORK

Contract M.S. 1707-013-11 involves the construction of a pedestrian bridge spanning 98m across North Creek at approximately 180 Street and 69 Avenue. This location is within the North Cloverdale West NCP. As part of this NCP, a community greenway was planned that would link the Cloverdale Greenway to the Clayton Greenway. This greenway is intended to provide the only walking opportunity between the Provincetown area and school site #153, scheduled to open in September of 2008.

## TENDER RESULTS

Tenders for Contract M.S. 1707-013-11 were received on October 9, 2007, with the results as follows:

<i>Contractor</i>	<i>Tender Amount with GST</i>
1. Seismic 2000 Construction Ltd.	\$2,834,254.50
2. Coquitlam Ridge Construction Ltd.	\$3,441,270.92
3. Surespan Construction Ltd.	\$3,823,005.14
4. Kenaidan Contracting Ltd.	\$4,028,729.55

The Engineer's pre-tender estimate was \$1,362,720.10 including GST. The inconsistency between the Engineer's estimate and the tender amounts submitted is due to both a high demand for steel in the global market coupled with the high demand for specialty construction services within the local labour market. These two factors

combine to make it exceedingly difficult to produce an accurate pre-tender estimate for a custom fabricated steel pedestrian bridge during these current market conditions.

## **FUNDING**

Funding is not available within the approved Engineering budget to complete the contract at this time.

A grant of \$450,000 from the Provincial “Local Motion” Program was secured for this project. This program extends to March 2011 and the grant remains available until that time.

## **NEXT STEPS**

A consultant has been retained to investigate design alternatives for the pedestrian bridge. Alternative design and materials, given current market conditions, may prove less costly. If a design can be developed offering construction within budget, the project will be re-tendered.

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