



Corporate Report

NO: R109

COUNCIL DATE: June 23, 2008

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: June 20, 2008
FROM: General Manager, Engineering FILE: 1201-501/31
SUBJECT: Contract Award M.S. 1201-501-31;
Whalley Booster and Main Water Pump Station Upgrade

RECOMMENDATIONS

The Engineering Department recommends that Council:

1. Award Contract M.S. 1201-501 for Whalley Booster Upgrade Phase 2 - Water Pump Station Project to Westport Construction Group Inc. in the amount of \$3,185,175.00, including GST; and
2. Set the expenditure authorization for Contract M.S. 1201-501-31 at \$3,663,000.00 including GST.

Scope of Work

Contract M.S. 1201-501-31 is for the construction of the replacement and upgrade of the Whalley Booster Water Pump Station. The electrical and mechanical systems in Whalley Booster Station are at the end of their life cycle and need replacement. The systems are being upgraded with the effect being a more efficient and safer station.

Whalley Main Water Pump Station is also receiving an additional pump to increase the station's capacity to meet the growing water demand in the area.

Construction is expected to be completed by March 2009.

Tender Results

Tenders for this contract were received on June 13, 2008, with the results as follows:

<i>Contractor</i>	<i>Tendered Amount with GST</i>
1. Westport Construction Group Inc.	\$3,185,175.00
2. Trittech Group Ltd.	\$4,250,715.00
3. Merletti Construction (1999) Ltd.	\$4,493,475.00

The Engineer's pre-tender estimate was \$3,256,000.00 including GST.

Evaluation

The City's consultant reviewed the tenders for accuracy and completeness. No errors were found. All submissions included the required 10% bid bond, and were signed and sealed on the Tender Form and Summary Sheet of the Schedule of Quantities and Prices.

Due to the highly technical nature of the work, the complexity of retrofitting works in an existing station, the potential for necessary changes and the timeline of the contract requiring completion by the fall of 2009, an additional contingency allowance is being recommended. Use of the contingency allowance will require Engineering Department approval.

The low bidder, Westport Construction Group Inc. has provided a Consent of Surety for a Performance Bond and a Labour & Materials Bond, and agreed to complete the work within 180 working days as stipulated in the contract. Westport Construction Group Inc.'s past performance on similar work has been satisfactory and they have no outstanding legal claims against the City. It is recommended that Westport Construction Group Inc. be awarded Contract number M.S. 1201-501-31.

Funding

Funding is available within the approved water utility budget for the project.

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c.c. - Jo-Ann Anakotta, Finance & Technology Dept.