



Corporate Report

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REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: **Mayor & Council** DATE: **July 23, 2008**
FROM: **General Manager, Engineering** PROJECT FILE: **1706-013-11**
SUBJECT: **Contract Awards between August 1 and September 5, 2008**

RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering Department recommends that Council authorize the City Manager, during Council's August recess (August 1 to September 5, 2008), to make a decision on the award of Contracts M.S. 1706-013-11, M.S. 1705-001-41, M.S. 1708-011-11, and M.S. 4707-002-11 as outlined in this report, provided that the following conditions are met:

1. Tenders are received from an open tender process;
2. Award is to the lowest bid; and
3. The lowest bid is within the approved budget.

DISCUSSION

Contract No. M.S. 1706-13-11 will involve arterial widening on 132 Street, from 62B Avenue to 64 Avenue, including the addition of turn lanes and sidewalks to improve access, traffic operations and pedestrian safety along the Panorama Ridge Secondary School site. The work is scheduled for completion by spring 2009.

Contract No. M.S. 1705-001-41 will involve construction of a new bridge for the eastbound lanes of Fraser Highway over the Serpentine River. This is one of the contracts in the ongoing project of widening Fraser Highway and is funded by TransLink. The work is scheduled for completion by year-end.

Contract No. M.S. 1708-011-11 will involve a construction package of pathways and a number of sections of sidewalk at various locations throughout the City. The work is scheduled for completion by year-end.

Contract No. M.S. 4707-002-11 will involve a construction package of a variety of works to improve the sewer system including a sewer main diversion and siphon, and a cleaning pig-launch and retrieval facility. The work is scheduled for completion this fall.

These contracts will have values ranging from approximately \$1 million to \$3 million.

CONCLUSION

Council will not be meeting during the month of August. The subject tenders will be closing after the last Council meeting preceding the August recess. It is desirable that these contracts be awarded in August so that work can be carried out during favorable weather conditions. In line with previous practice established since the August recess was introduced in the mid-1990s, it is recommended that Council delegate authority to the City Manager for awarding the subject contracts subject to certain conditions being met as stipulated in the Recommendation section of this report.

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