



Corporate Report

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REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: **Mayor & Council** DATE: **October 31, 2008**
FROM: **General Manager, Engineering** PROJECT FILE: **1706-005/11**
SUBJECT: **Increase in Expenditure Authorization
Contract M.S. 1706-005-11
Widening of King George Highway and 156 Street**

RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering Department recommends that Council approve an increase of \$418,101.44 in the expenditure authorization for Contract 1706-005-11 (King George Highway and 156 Street) from \$3,681,898.56 (including 5% GST) to \$4,100,000.00 (including 5% GST).

BACKGROUND

In May 2008, Council approved the award of contract M.S. 1706-005-11 (Council Resolution No. R08-1060) to B&B Contracting Ltd. for the widening of King George Highway between 156 Street and 24 Avenue and for the widening of 156 Street between King George Highway and 24 Avenue. The scope of works of this contract is proposed to be increased and thus additional expenditure authorization is required.

DISCUSSION

The additional expenditure authorization is for the installation of a section of storm sewer main on 22 Avenue for storm water management and drainage improvements at a townhouse complex entrance on 24 Avenue, both in the vicinity of the original contract works along with modifications to an existing bus bay on King George Highway immediately south of 24 Avenue.

Subsequent to the award of this contract, a developer has advanced designs for redevelopment of a property through which the City requires a storm sewer main. To avoid having to make this drainage improvement after the development of the site, which will be more expensive due to the need to remove and reinstate improvements, it is recommended that the work proceed at this time.

The need for drainage improvements at the townhouse complex entrance on 24 Avenue was recognized recently. Although not directly related to the works being constructed, savings can be realized by incorporating these works in this current contract.

Improvements to the bus bay are required to meet Coast Mountain Bus Company's safety requirements and also to ensure accessibility to the shopping centre adjacent to the bus stop. Again, cost savings can be realized by having these works completed as part of this current contract.

Funding for the increased expenditure authorization as recommended in this report is available within the approved Engineering Department budget.

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