

CORPORATE REPORT

NO: R164 COUNCIL DATE: July 26, 2010

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: July 23, 2010

FROM: General Manager, Engineering PROJECT FILE: 2320-01

SUBJECT: Engineering Department Contract Awards between August 1, 2010

and September 10, 2010

RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering Department recommends that during the period from August 1, 2010 to September 10, 2010, being the August recess, Council authorize the City Manager to make a decision on the award of each of Contracts M.S. 1710-001-11, M.S. 1710-001-21, M.S. 1710-008-11, M.S. 1710-007-11 and M.S. 1710-010-11, which are described in this report, provided the following criteria are satisfied:

- 1. Tenders are received through an open tender process;
- 2. Each award is to the contractor submitting the lowest bid which fully meets the contract specifications; and
- 3. The contract award is within the approved budget for the related work.

DISCUSSION

Council does not meet during the month of August. In previous years, to award Engineering Department construction contracts during this period, Council has deferred such authority to the City Manager for specific contracts subject to certain criteria being met in relation to such awards as listed in the recommendation section of this report. This practice is considered reasonable in recognition of the benefits that accrue from the work being carried out during favorable weather conditions.

Based on projects that are currently in the design phase or are in the tender process, the following contracts are considered appropriate to assign to the City Manager for award in accordance with the Council practice of previous years.

- 1. Contract M.S. 1710-001-11 involves pavement rehabilitation works on the Major Road Network (MRN). Funding for this work is provided by TransLink. This type of work requires warm, dry weather and thus all of these works should be completed by late summer.
- 2. Contract M.S. 1710-001-21 involves pavement rehabilitation works on the City's arterial roadway network with the majority of the work involving milling and repaving. This work requires warm, dry weather and thus all of these works should be completed by late summer.

- 3. Contract M.S. 1710-008-11 involves final lift paving of roadways constructed by land development projects. It is City practice to require developers to construct the local roadways to serve their developments but only to the base-lift pavement and for the City to take cash-in-lieu for the final lift paving. The City then, one or more years later, completes the final lift paving. In this way any utility trench settlement has become evident and can be repaired prior to final paving and thus the final riding surface of the streets is of good quality. This work requires warm, dry weather and thus all of these works should be completed by late summer.
- 4. Contract M.S. 1710-007-11 involves construction of the Tynehead Pedestrian Overpass over Highway 1 at 168 Street. Two thirds of the cost of this project is being funded by a grant under the British Columbia Build Canada Infrastructure Program. A condition of this grant is that the project must be substantially completed by March 31, 2011. Consequently, construction must commence as soon as possible this summer.
- 5. Contract M.S. 1710-010-11 involves construction of multi-use pathways and sidewalks. Two thirds of the costs of this contract are being funded by under a British Columbia Build Canada Infrastructure Program grant. A condition of this grant is that the project must be substantially completed by March 31, 2011. Consequently, construction must commence as soon as possible this summer.

Council will be informed of each contract award immediately upon such award being approved by the City Manager.

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