

CORPORATE REPORT

NO: R192 COUNCIL DATE: September 13, 2010

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: September 8, 2010

FROM: General Manager, Engineering PROJECT FILE: 1710-007-11

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SUBJECT: Authority to Award Contract M.S. 1710-007-11

Construction of Tynehead Pedestrian Overpass over Highway 1 at 168 Street

RECOMMENDATION

The Engineering Department recommends that during the period between September 14, 2010 and October 1, 2010 Council grant authority to the City Manager to award Contract M.S. 1710-007-11, as described in this report, provided the following criteria are satisfied:

- 1. Tenders are received through an open tender process;
- 2. The 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

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.

Council granted authority to the City Manager to award the subject contract during the 2010 August recess (Corporate Report R164, 2010; Res. R10-1454); however, due to the complexities of the contract and the related coordination with the Ministry of Transportation and Kiewit/Flatiron regarding the Port Mann Highway 1 project, an addendum was issued that required that an extension to the tender closing date. The tender closes on September 16, 2010.

There are three weeks between the September 13, 2010 Council meeting and the next Council meeting on October 4, 2010. An extension of the City Manager's authority to award this contract during this period between Council meetings is considered necessary to allow construction to commence at the earliest possible date so that the City does not unduly increase the risk of losing the related grant funding for this project by not completing the project by the specified date.

Staff will inform Council of the details of the contract award immediately upon such an award being approved by the City Manager.

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