

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – SEPTEMBER 17, 2007

AWARD OF TENDER T07-109 SONOMA HEIGHTS NEIGHBOURHOOD PARK (WEA-N4)

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Community Services, in consultation with the Directors of Reserves and Investments, Purchasing Services and Parks Development, recommends:

1. That T07-109, Sonoma Heights Neighbourhood Park (WEA-N4) – Park Development be awarded to Forest Contractors Ltd. for the amount of \$300,368.25 (excluding G.S.T.); and,
2. That a contingency allowance of 10% be approved, within which the Director of Parks Development is authorized to approve amendments to the contract; and,
3. That a bylaw be enacted authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to sign the necessary documents.

Economic Impact

Capital project PK-6132-07 – Sonoma Heights Neighbourhood Park (WEA-N4) design and construction funding was approved in the 2007 capital budget. The annual operating cost of \$15,064.00 is required to maintain this park once completed.

Communications Plan

A public meeting to discuss the design of the park and the amenities included within the design was held on November 9, 2004. The date and location for the meeting were advertised in the local paper and individual notices for the meeting were distributed to adjacent residences in accordance with standard departmental procedures.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to seek approval to award tender T07-109 for the development of Sonoma Heights Neighbourhood Park (WEA-N4).

Background - Analysis and Options

The project is for the construction of Sonoma Heights Neighbourhood Park (WEA-N4) located on Napa Valley Avenue within Ward 2. Capital project PK-6132-07 – Sonoma Heights Neighbourhood Park (WEA-N4) design and construction funding was approved in the 2007 budget. Park features include the following in accordance with the approved master landscape plan: senior and junior play area, shade structure, mini soccer field, bocce court, concrete and asphalt walkways, site furnishings, tree and shrub planting, sodding, ornamental fencing and lighting. A provisional item added to the contract includes the supply and installation of a yard hydrant, water line, backflow preventer and water meter. The proposed park components were developed through community consultation and were scrutinized using the principles of CPTED – Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design.

On May 9, 2005 Council directed staff to develop a list of qualified landscape contractors through a prequalification process to bid on the construction and renovation of various parks and open spaces in the City of Vaughan. Subsequently, on January 29, 2007, Council approved the process whereby the list of prequalified landscape contractors would be determined. Through this process, a total of twelve (12) general landscape contracting companies were deemed to meet/exceed the minimum criteria.

This tender was made available to the twelve (12) prequalified general landscape contractors and were publicly opened on Thursday, August 23, 2007. Six (6) bid documents were received. The bid results are as follows:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Total Tendered Price (Base Bid excl. GST)</u>	<u>Total Provisional Items (excluding GST)</u>	<u>Total Tendered Price (incl. Provisional Items) (excluding GST)</u>
Forest Contractors	\$289,868.25	\$10,500.00	\$300,368.25
Melfer Construction	\$307,357.64	\$6,700.00	\$314,057.64
Mopal Construction	\$325,839.10	\$10,400.00	\$336,239.10
Rutherford Contracting	\$329,876.35	\$19,818.43	\$349,694.78
Pine Valley Enterprises	\$337,521.03	\$10,000.00	\$347,521.03
Dol Turf Restoration	\$467,254.30	\$31,400.00	\$498,654.30

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

Sonoma Heights Neighbourhood Park (WEA-N4) development will provide facilities that promote a safe, livable, and sustainable parkland environment for the local community.

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council and the necessary resources have been allocated and approved.

Regional Implications

Not applicable

Conclusion

Parks Development and Purchasing Services staff have reviewed the bid submissions and have determined that the low bid contractor, Forest Contractors Ltd., is deemed to meet the requirements of the contract.

Upon award of tender, this project will commence in the month of September 2007 and will be completed in the Summer of 2008, weather permitting.

Attachments

None

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