COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - FEBRUARY 4, 2008

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING – QUOTE Q07-022 CHARLTON AVENUE DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works in consultation with the Director of Reserves and Investments recommends:

- 1. That additional funds in the amount \$12,500.00 for Quote Q07-022 Charlton Avenue Drainage Improvements be approved and funded from the Sewer Reserve; and
- 2. That the inclusion of the matter on a Public Committee or Council agenda with respect to increasing the capital budget identified as Charlton Avenue Drainage Improvements is deemed sufficient notice pursuant to Section 2(1)(c) of Bylaw 394-2002.

Economic Impact

Additional funding in the amount of \$12,500.00 is required to complete the required work.

Communications Plan

Not Applicable.

Purpose

To obtain Council approval for additional funding required to complete the work under Capital Project Number EN-1694-07.

Background - Analysis and Options

Quote Q07-022 Charlton Avenue Drainage Improvements was awarded to Lima's Gardens & Construction Inc. by the Director of Purchasing Services on August 10, 2007 in the amount of \$22,500.00 (plus G.S.T.) plus a contingency allowance of \$2,250.00. Additional works are required to complete the project over and above the original contingency amount. This project was identified as necessary following the August 19, 2005 rainstorm in order to restore the capacity of the overland flow component of the area storm sewerage system.

Although it was known that underground utilities, specifically a gas line, were located in the work area, there was no information available from Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc. as to its depth. Considering that the depth of earth removal for the project was quite shallow, underground utility conflicts were not anticipated. Once the contractor began construction, the existing gas main was discovered to be exceptionally shallow. It is not possible to lower the gas main to allow for the construction, since the work area is over a buried concrete culvert. Therefore, the gas main must be re-routed to pass underneath the culvert in order for the project to be completed.

Under the City's cost sharing agreement with Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc., the City of Vaughan is responsible for 35% of the relocation costs for such gas line relocations. Enbridge has provided an estimate of \$15,500.00 for the gas line relocation, which would require the City to pay our estimated portion of \$5,753.00 (plus GST). The actual cost of the relocation will be invoiced by Enbridge upon completion of the relocation. The budget for Capital Project EN-1694-07 in the amount of \$20,600 was approved by Council in June 2007. The project budget was funded entirely from taxation. Additional funds in the amount of \$12,500 is required to complete the Charlton Avenue Drainage Improvements Capital Works.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020

Maintain Assets and Infrastructure – To optimize existing infrastructure through sound asset management.

Regional Implications

Not Applicable.

Conclusion

The funds requested are required to pay the Enbridge Gas Distribution Inc., a portion of their cost to lower the gas main, and to pay the City's contractor, Lima's Gardens & Construction Inc. to continue and complete their work. It is recommended that the \$12,500.00 of additional funds be transferred into EN-1694-07 from the Sewer Reserve.

Should Council concur with the additional funding request, this action would be considered as an amendment to the Capital Budget. Pursuant to the Municipal Act, before amending a budget, a municipality shall give notice of its intention to amend the budget at a Council meeting. Where a capital project has been subject to a public meeting during the adoption of the approved capital budget and where additional funding is required to complete the approved works, inclusion of the matter in a staff report requesting additional funding on a Public Committee or Council Agenda is deemed sufficient notice pursuant to Section 2(1)(c) of Bylaw 394-2002.

Attachments

1. Location Plan

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