

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - SEPTEMBER 15, 2008

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR CONTRACTOR HAWMAN AVENUE ROAD RECONSTRUCTION AND WATERMAIN REPLACEMENT AND COLES AVENUE WATERMAIN REPLACEMENT CONTRACT T07-002

Recommendation

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

1. That additional funds for the Contractor in the amount of \$65,000.00 for Contract T07-088 be approved;
2. That the Budget for Capital Project EN-1643-07 be increased by \$65,000.00 and funded from Long Term Debt (\$21,666.00) and the Water Reserve (\$43,334.00); and
3. That the inclusion of the matter on a Public Committee or Council Agenda for additional funding request for Hawman Avenue Road Reconstruction and Watermain Replacement & Coles Avenue Watermain Replacement is deemed sufficient notice pursuant to Section 2(1)(c) of By-law 394-2002.

Economic Impact

Additional funding is being allocated to this specific project from the total budget approved in the 2007 Capital Budget. There are sufficient funds in the approved budget to pay the final project costs.

Communications Plan

Not Applicable.

Purpose

To obtain Council approval for additional funding required to complete a final payment to the Contractor for previously approved Capital Contract T07-002.

Background - Analysis and Options

Contract T07-002 Direct Underground Inc.

Contract T07-002 Hawman Avenue Road Reconstruction and Watermain Replacement & Coles Avenue Watermain Replacement EN-1643-07 was awarded under the City's Summer Hiatus By-Law 332-98 on July 3, 2007 in the amount of \$625,731.20 (plus G.S.T.) plus a contingency allowance of \$63,000.00. This contract involved the reconstruction of Hawman Avenue and the watermain replacement under Hawman Avenue and Coles Avenue.

The reason for the additional cost is due to the removal of contaminated fill, not known at the time of tendering by the Contractor to an approved disposal site. In addition the watermain design revisions along with other construction issues resulted in an increase in quantities and items.

The additional costs required to complete the works in the amount of \$65,000.00 is related to roadworks & water. The additional costs can be funded from Long Term Debt (\$21,666.00) and the Water Reserve (\$43,334.00).

Engineering Services Staff have reviewed the amounts and are satisfied that they are appropriate and outside the scope of the original tender.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020

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

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council.

Regional Implications

Not Applicable.

Conclusion

The funds requested are required to pay the Contractor the cost of unexpected additional work required in the completion of this project. The cost and quantities involved have been verified by Engineering Services Staff. It is therefore appropriate to approve the payment of the funds as requested.

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

None.

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