

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – MAY 11, 2010**

**CONTRACT AWARD – T10-156 SUMMER CAMP BUSING SERVICES**

**Recommendation**

The Commissioner of Community Services, in consultation with the Directors of Recreation and Culture and Purchasing Services, recommends:

- 1) That Contract T10-156, Summer Camp Busing Services, for the chartering of buses for summer day camp programs city-wide, be awarded to the lowest bidder, First Student Canada for one (1) summer season term effective July 5, 2010 at a cost of \$111,719.53 including HST, with an option to renew for two (2) additional summer season terms subject to CPI increases, at the discretion of the City; and,
- 2) That the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign all documentation necessary to complete the contract.

**Contribution to Sustainability**

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council in the Green Directions, Vaughan, Community Sustainability Environmental Master Plan:

- 3.3 Reduce single occupant vehicle (SOV) trips by supporting active transportation, car pooling and public transit.

**Economic Impact**

Funds are available to undertake the required contract within the approved 2010 operating budget.

**Communications Plan**

The successful proponent will be advised of Council's decision.

**Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to obtain Council's authorization to enter into a one (1) summer season term contract effective July 5, 2010 with an option to renew for two (2) additional summer season terms, with First Student Canada for the chartering of buses for summer day camp programs city-wide.

**Background - Analysis and Options**

The City of Vaughan advertised and issued T10-156 on Biddingo, OPBA website, City Web Page and by invitation on March 24, 2010 with a closing date of April 8, 2010.

Four (4) proponents were contacted; three (3) picked up the tender documents and three (3) submissions were received, as follows:

	Seasonal Cost (including HST)
1. First Student Canada	\$111,719.53
2. Stock Transportation Ltd.	\$111,794.13
3. Tokmakjian Inc. o/a Can-Ar Coach Service	\$498,499.50

Over the course of eight weeks, it is anticipated that summer camp busing services will help provide transportation to approximately 3,000 children and youth participants via 13 chartered buses. Participants will be transported to 33 camp programs across the city, including but not limited to community centres, the City Playhouse, Boyd Park, the MNR, and local schools. Summer camp busing services also allow the City to operate specialty camps at more remote locations, such as the horseback riding camp held at an equestrian centre in Stouffville, Ontario.

The Active Together Master Plan identifies transportation as a significant barrier to participation. As part of the regular summer camp offerings, the department continues to provide summer camp busing services to children and youth across the city; allowing participants that do not have accessible transportation a convenient alternative to attend City summer day camp programs.

### **Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan**

In consideration of the strategic priorities related to Vaughan Vision 2020, the report will provide:

- STRATEGIC GOAL:  
Service Excellence – Providing service excellence to citizens.

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

### **Regional Implications**

None.

### **Conclusion**

Awarding Contract T10-156, Summer Camp Busing Services for one (1) summer season term effective July 5, 2010 in the amount of \$111,719.53 including HST, with an option to renew for two (2) additional summer season terms subject to CPI increases, to the lowest bidder, First Student Canada for the chartering of buses for summer day camp programs city-wide will provide approximately 3,000 children and youth that do not have accessible transportation a convenient alternative.

### **Attachments**

None.

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