

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - MARCH 22, 2011

TENDER AWARD – T11-078 SPRING STREET SWEEPING SERVICES WARD(S) - ALL

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, in consultation with the Director of Purchasing Services, recommends that Tender T11-078 be brought forward to Council on April 5, 2011, for award.

Contribution to Sustainability

The Spring cleaning of all City streets removes a large amount of built-up dirt and debris from the road surfaces that have accumulated over the winter months. Street sweeping helps prevent this large amount of material from entering the City's storm sewers, and helps extend the cleaning cycle for the City's storm water management ponds.

Economic Impact

Funds to cover the cost of the annual spring street sweeping services have been budgeted in the draft 2011 Operating Budget.

Communications Plan

Staff will advertise the annual Spring street sweeping program on the City's web site. The notice will advise residents when spring street sweeping will take place, and will remind residents not to park their cars on the road during the clean-up period.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to advise Council of the upcoming tender award for T11-078, Spring street sweeping services, that is closing on March 17, 2011.

Background - Analysis and Options

As part of its routine road maintenance service, Public Works contracts out the initial Spring street sweeping program. This is due to the high number of units required (min. of 12), to complete the task within the short 2-3 week period.

After the initial Spring street sweeping has been completed, the Public Works Department then routinely sweeps all City streets with its own 4 street sweepers and staff. Routine sweeping of all City streets is done on a regular rotation basis, and is done from the end of the Spring clean-up, until mid to late November, weather dependant.

Tender T11-078 has been called for the Spring street sweeping services, and it will close on Thursday, March 17, 2011. Due to the timing of the Committee and Council Agenda schedules, and the need for staff to follow up on references of the bidders, staff will report back to Council on Tuesday, April 5, 2011, with the results of this tender. The intent is to start the Spring street sweeping program almost immediately upon award, with the completion of the sweeping anticipated to be 2-3 weeks after start-up.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council. Although the funds have been included in the draft 2011 Operating Budget, the necessary resources have not been formally allocated and approved.

Regional Implications

As the Region maintains their own streets, there are no regional implications with the award of this tender.

Conclusion

Tender T11-078 for Spring street sweeping services is scheduled to close on March 17, 2011. The results and recommendation will be presented to Council on April 5, 2011.

Attachments

N/A

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