# COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – DECEMBER 6, 2011

## AWARD OF TENDER T11-413 SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF ANNUAL FLOWERS

#### Recommendation

The Commissioner of Community Services, in consultation with the Directors of Parks and Forestry Operations and Purchasing Services recommends:

- 1. That Tender T11-413 for the supply and delivery of annual flowers, be awarded to Frank Sant & Sons Greenhouses, for two years at a cost of \$125,130.44 per year (excluding HST), with an option to renew for two (2) additional one (1) year terms at the discretion of the City; and,
- 2. That a bylaw be enacted authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to sign the necessary documents.

## **Contribution to Sustainability**

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council in the Green Directions Vaughan, Community Sustainability Environmental Master Plan, Goal 4, Objective 4.1:

• To create a vibrant community where citizens, business and visitors thrive.

#### **Economic Impact**

Funds have been identified in the 2012 & 2013 Operating Budget for annual flowers.

#### **Communications Plan**

Not Applicable.

#### Purpose

The purpose of this report is to award Tender T11-413 for the supply and delivery of annual flowers for the 2012 & 2013 seasons.

#### **Background - Analysis and Options**

The planting of flowers throughout the City of Vaughan provide vibrant colour, variety and year round landscaping to our streetscapes. In keeping with a sustainable trend, the Parks and Forestry Operations Department continues to propagate and divide perennials, therefore reducing our reliance on annuals.

This Tender was advertized on Monday, October 3, 2011 on the City of Vaughan Webpage, in the Daily Commercial News, Biddingo and the Ontario Public Buyers Association. Tenders closed and were publicly opened on Wednesday, October 19, 2011 at 3:30 p.m. One (1) bid document was issued and one (1) bid was received by the Purchasing Services Department.

The bid results are as follows:

Contractor	Bid Per Year	Total Bid Two Years 2012 / 2013 (Excl. HST)
Frank Sant & Sons Greenhouses Kleinburg, Ontario	\$125,130.44	\$250,260.88

### Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

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

- STRATEGIC GOAL: Service Excellence – Providing service excellence to citizens.
- STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES: Pursue Excellence in Service Delivery; and Enhance and Ensure Community Safety, Health and Wellness – To deliver high quality services and to promote health and wellness through design and program.

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**

Staff members of Parks and Forestry Operations and the Purchasing Services Department have reviewed the bid submission and have determined that the bid supplier Frank Sant & Sons Greenhouses has met the requirements of the contract. It is therefore recommended that Frank Sant & Sons Greenhouses be awarded the contract for the supply and delivery of annual flowers for two years at a cost of \$125,130.44 (excluding HST) per year.

## **Attachments**

N/A.

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Respectfully submitted,

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