

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AUGUST 19, 2002

AWARD OF TENDER - T02-088 EMERGENCY SEWER AND WATERMAIN REPAIRS

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works, in consultation with the Director of Purchasing, recommends:

1. That Part "A" of tender T02-088, for the emergency repair of sewers and watermains east of Weston Road, be awarded to A. Donofrio Construction Co. Ltd.;
2. That Part "B" of tender T02-088, for the emergency repair of sewers and watermains west of Weston Road, be awarded to M. Charbonneau Construction Inc.; and,
3. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

Purpose

To award tender T02-088 for the emergency repair of sewers and watermains.

Background - Analysis and Options

The City contracts out emergency repairs of sewers and watermains. The existing contracts came into effect in 1999, and have expired.

Similar to the previous contracts, Tender T02-088 splits the City into two geographical halves. By splitting the contracted work into two geographical areas, the City was able to choose two separate contractors to perform the necessary work. Although a price differential was experienced between two contractors, the difference in cost was worth paying in order to ensure adequate coverage for the City should a significant number of water main breaks or backed up sewers occur. Prior to the 1999 contract, the City relied on one contractor and there were times when repairs had to wait for days due to staff and equipment shortages. This was especially true during statutory or civic holidays and during the winter months. This problem has not been experienced since the City was split into two halves and two contractors were used.

As with the previous contracts awarded in 1999, tender T02-088 allows the City to direct either contractor to perform work in the other contractor's area, if the workload requires it. Similar to the last contracts, T02-088 includes provisional items, that if selected, will allow for a quicker repair and restoration of sidewalk and curbs that are damaged or removed during the repair process. This will continue to keep complaints to a minimum and provide excellent service to the residents.

Tender T02-088 was advertised in the Daily Commercial News and on the Electronic Tendering Network (ETN). The tender closed on July 10, 2002. Five packages were picked up, and two bids submitted. The results of the bid are shown in attachment No. 1.

Although awarding to two separate contractors is more expensive than awarding the work to a single contractor, the City can ensure that there will be adequate equipment and labour available to handle the emergency sewer and watermain repairs in a quick and efficient manner.

The bids have been checked for mathematical errors, and the proposed contractors have performed work for the City in a satisfactory manner in previous years.

Conclusion

Although more expensive than having a single contractor, awarding tender T02-088 to two (2) contractors will help to ensure that there will always be adequate equipment and staff available to handle all of the emergency and routine water main and sewer repairs in the City.

Attachments

Summary of Prices

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Respectfully submitted,

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Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works

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Director of Public Works

Summary of Prices

ROUTINE AND EMERGENCY WATER AND SEWER MAIN REPAIR			
T02-088			
A. DONOFRIO CONSTRUCTION CO. LTD.			
PART A – EAST OF WESTON ROAD			
ITEM NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE EXCLUDING G.S.T.	UNIT PRICE INCLUDING G.S.T.
1.0	Four person crew, including, specified equipment.	\$200.00 per hr.	\$214.00 per hr.
1.1	Statutory Holidays-four person crew	\$200.00 per hr.	\$214.00 per hr.
1.2	Three person crew, including, specified equipment.	\$200.00 per hr.	\$214.00 per hr.
1.3	Statutory holidays-three person crew	\$200.00 per hr.	\$214.00 per hr.
1.4	Yard cleanup, including, 1 tandem dump with operator, 1 backhoe/loader, with operator	\$200.00 per load	\$214.00 per load
PART B – WEST OF WESTON ROAD			
2.0	Four person crew, including, specified equipment.	\$220.00 per hr.	\$235.40 per hr.
2.1	Statutory Holidays-four person crew	\$220.00 per hr.	\$235.40 per hr.
2.2	Three person crew, including, specified equipment.	\$220.00 per hr.	\$235.40 per hr.
2.3	Statutory holidays-three person crew	\$220.00 per hr.	\$235.40 per hr.
2.4	Yard cleanup, including, 1 tandem dump with operator, 1 backhoe/loader, with operator	\$250.00 per load	\$267.50 per load

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M. CHARBONNEAU CONSTRUCTION INC.			
PART A – EAST OF WESTON ROAD			
ITEM NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE EXCLUDING G.S.T.	UNIT PRICE INCLUDING G.S.T.
1.0	Four person crew, including, specified equipment.	\$240.00 per hr.	\$256.80 per hr.
1.1	Statutory Holidays-four person crew	\$322.00 per hr.	\$344.54 per hr.
1.2	Three person crew, including, specified equipment.	\$190.00 per hr.	\$203.00 per hr.
1.3	Statutory holidays-three person crew	\$266.00 per hr.	\$284.62 per hr.
1.4	Yard cleanup, including, 1 tandem dump with operator, 1 backhoe/loader, with operator	\$125.00 per load	\$133.75 per load
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2.2	Three person crew, including, specified equipment.	\$190.00 per hr.	\$203.30 per hr.
2.3	Statutory holidays-three person crew	\$266.00 per hr.	\$284.62 per hr.
2.4	Yard cleanup, including, 1 tandem dump with operator, 1 backhoe/loader, with operator	\$125.00 per load	\$133.75 per load