

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE APRIL 19, 2004

TENDER AWARD – T04-007 HYDRANT MAINTENANCE AND PAINTING – VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Recommendation

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

1. That Tender T04-007 be awarded to A-1 Hydrant Services Ltd. at an estimated contract value of \$158,895.00; and,
2. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval to award Tender T04-007, for hydrant maintenance and painting at various locations throughout the City.

Background - Analysis and Options

Hydrant maintenance and painting is a regular activity carried out annually. The American Water Works Association standard that has been adopted by the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, requires that hydrants receive maintenance annually. The passing of time and exposure to the elements requires that hydrants be checked for operation, nozzle ports greased to insure that caps can be removed easily in an emergency, and painted to prevent corrosion and easy identification.

The Public Works Department does not have the necessary resources to perform these types of duties. As such, this work is contracted out.

The tender was advertised in the Liberal and on the Electronic Tendering Network (ETN), and closed on April 5, 2004. A total of 6 documents were picked up from the Purchasing Department. Two bids were received. The following are the results of the tender opening:

BID RESULTS FOR T04-007 HYDRANT MAINTENANCE AND PAINTING – VARIOUS LOCATIONS		
Bid Rating	Contractor	Total Inc. G.S.T.
1.	A-1 Hydrant Services Ltd.	\$158,895.00
2.	Cosar Renovation and Repairs	\$251,070.15

Bidders were asked to provide a price for the maintenance and painting of 1500 hydrants for each of the 3 contract years. The contract will expire on December 31st, 2006.

Staff have checked the bids for mathematical errors, and have contacted references. A-1 Hydrant Services Ltd. has been performing hydrant maintenance and painting services for City of Vaughan Public Works Department for the last three years to staff's satisfaction. A-1 Hydrant Services Ltd holds a Class 1 Certificate for Water Distribution System, which is beyond the requirements of this contract. A1 Hydrant was also involved in the restoration of the Walkerton Water System.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council; however, the resources have yet to be allocated and approved as part of the 2004 Budget.

Conclusion

Public Works Division staff has reviewed the bid submissions and have determined that the lowest bid contractor, A-1 Hydrant Services Ltd., meets the requirements of the contract. The low bid is also within Draft 2004 Operating Budget. It is therefore appropriate to award Contract T04-007 to A-1 Hydrant Services Ltd.

Attachments

N/A

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