

## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – SEPTEMBER 20, 2004**

### **AWARD OF TENDER T04-115 THE SUPPLY AND PLANTING OF TREES**

#### **Recommendation**

The Commissioner of Community Services and the Manager of Parks and Forestry in consultation with the Director of Purchasing Services and the Director of Reserves and Investments recommends:

1. That T04-115, Supply and Planting of Trees be awarded to Lomco Limited in the amount of \$231,433.00, plus G.S.T.; and,
2. That a bylaw be enacted authorizing the Mayor and the City Clerk to sign the necessary documents.

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to award T04-115 for Supply and Planting of Trees.

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

The Forestry section of the Parks Department administers the tree replacement program for the City of Vaughan. The Forestry section planted approximately 800 trees in 2003 and inspected and identified trees requiring replacement for the 2004 season at over 800 trees as of March 1, 2004.

The tree planting lists were generated to reflect the replacement of 900 trees for the 2004 season. This list was presented to each Ward Councillor.

During the 2004 capital budget process, the budgeted amount was reduced, resulting in just 700 trees being approved for funding. This was based on the estimated cost per tree with two years maintenance. The revised list to reflect the short fall of trees to be planted in 2004 reflects the priorities set out by Council and staff. The tree planting reductions are for industrial and non-residential boulevards.

The 2004 capital approved funding of \$243,000.00 under project number 5991-3-04 was tendered with the lowest bid received of \$231,433.00, plus G.S.T.

This tender was advertised in the Vaughan Citizen and ETN on Thursday August 12, 2004. Tenders were closed and publicly opened on August 30, 2004. Three (3) bid documents were issued and two (2) documents were received; one (1) of which was deemed non-compliant by the Purchasing Department. Bid results of the annual amounts are as follows:

#### **Contractor**

#### **Bid Price**

Lomco Limited

\$231,433.00, plus G.S.T.

Maple Hill Tree Service

non-compliant

### **Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007**

In keeping with Vaughan Vision, this award of tender provides service delivery excellence for the community.

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

### **Conclusion**

Parks staff reviewed the bid submission and based on the price submitted, it is recommended that Lomco Limited meets the requirements of the contract and be awarded tender T04-115 for Supply and Planting of Trees, in the amount of \$231,433.00, plus G.S.T. The bid is within the approved 2004 capital budget for project number 5991-3-04 in the amount of \$243,000.00.

The work is scheduled to begin October 2004 and completed by December 31, 2004, weather permitting.

### **Attachments**

None

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Respectfully submitted,

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