

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - SEPTEMBER 5, 2006

AWARDING OF OPTIONAL EXTENSION PERIOD – CONTRACT T05-150 RESIDENTIAL DRIVEWAY WINDROW CLEARING PART A & B.

Recommendation

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

That the option to extend Contract T05-150 for a second winter season be exercised, including a 2.8% increase to the existing unit prices, as provided for in the current contract.

Economic Impact

Funding in the order of \$803,080 was approved in the 2006 Operating Budget for this service. \$278,254 remains to provide windrow clearing services for December of this year. Based on the past years' operations, this should be sufficient to fund the average level of service required for the month of December. Funding for 2007 (approx. \$825,570), will be included in the draft 2007 Operating Budget. The overall price increase amounts to approximately \$22,500

Purpose

To seek authorization to exercise the option of extending the existing Residential Driveway Windrow Clearing contract for a second winter season (2006/2007), as provided for in the contract documents.

Background - Analysis and Options

In October 2005, both Part "A" and Part "B" of contract T05-150 for Residential Driveway Windrow Clearing was awarded to D. Crupi & Sons. Part "A" refers to the east side of the City, and Part "B" refers to the west side of the City of Vaughan. Part "A" is serviced with 18 units and Part "B" is serviced with 15 units. The contract was for one year, with provision for two additional one year extensions based on the City's satisfaction with the contractor's performance and the approval of funding. The contract also has a price escalation clause that is tied to the Consumer Price Index.

During the 2005/2006 Winter Residential Driveway Windrow Clearing, contractors were called in on four separate snow ploughing occurrences for approximate 13 hours each occurrence. This time frame is within the City's approved level of service of 16 hours. Based on these numbers, the awarded quantity of vehicles required to complete the Residential Driveway Windrow Clearing should be sufficient to service the additional 46 lane kilometers expected to come online during the winter 2006/2007.

The contractor has indicated they are able to begin on December 1, 2006, with a 2.8% increase to the existing unit prices, as provided in the contract (Consumer Price Index as at May 2006). All other terms and conditions of the contract would remain the same. As the contractor performed satisfactorily in the 2005/2006 operation, it would be appropriate to exercise the extension clause to D. Crupi & Sons.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2007

Exercising the one year extension, as provided for in the contract, is in accordance with Vaughan Vision A-2 "Promote Community Safety, Health & Wellness", and A-5 "Plan & Manage Growth".

Conclusion

In order to maintain the approved levels of service for winter road maintenance, it is recommended that the option to extend Contract T05-150 for a second year, be exercised with a 2.8% price increase (Consumer Price index as at May 2006), as provided for in the contract.

Attachments

N/A

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