

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - NOVEMBER 17, 2008

REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR CONSULTANT CLARENCE STREET AND PARK DRIVE WATERMAIN REPLACEMENT CONTRACT T07-003

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Engineering and Public Works in consultation with the Director of Reserves and Investments recommends:

That additional funds for the Consultant in the amount of \$55,000.00 for engineering services during construction for Contract T07-003 be approved and funded from Capital Project 1601-0-06 (Clarence Street and Park Drive Watermain Replacement).

Economic Impact

Additional funding is being allocated to this specific project from the total budget approved in the 2006 Capital Budget. There are sufficient funds in the approved budget for project 1601-0-06 to pay the adjusted final project costs.

Communications Plan

Not Applicable.

Purpose

To obtain Council approval for additional funding required to complete final payment to the Consultant for previously approved Capital Contract T07-003.

Background - Analysis and Options

Contract T07-003 - Earth Tech Canada Inc.

Contract T07-003 - Clarence Street & Park Drive Watermain Replacement 1601-0-06 was awarded by City Council on May 22, 2007, for engineering services during construction in the amount of \$36,940.00 (plus G.S.T.) without a contingency allowance. This contract involved the replacement of the watermain on Clarence Street from Meeting House Road to Mounsey Street and on Park Drive from Clarence Street to the cul-de-sacs.

The reasons for the additional costs are a result of an increase in the construction schedule from 6 weeks to over 14 weeks which required additional consulting services. In addition, the contractor worked several weekends and incurred additional work/delays due to new Provincial Regulations related to the provision of temporary water not known or in force at the time of tendering all of which required additional labour on the part of the Consultant.

Additional funding in the amount of \$17,778.00 was authorized by Council at its meeting of May 12, 2008, (Item 33, Report No. 24). At the time, it was believed that this was the entire amount required to complete the work; however, as a result of a miscommunication between the Consultant and City staff, the amount of \$17,778.00 was a progress invoice only and the full amount required to complete the work is an additional \$55,000.00.

Engineering Services staff have reviewed the amounts and are satisfied that they are appropriate and outside the scope of the original request for proposal.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020

Maintain Assets and Infrastructure – To optimize existing infrastructure through sound asset management.

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council.

Regional Implications

Not Applicable.

Conclusion

The funds requested are required to pay the Consultant for the unexpected additional costs required in the completion of this project. The costs and quantities involved have been verified by the Engineering Services staff. It is therefore appropriate to approve the payment of the funds as requested.

Attachments

None.

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