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TO: **Mayor & Council**

DATE: **February 4, 2022**

FROM: **Acting General Manager, Planning & Development**

FILE: **1220-040-2021-061**

SUBJECT: **Award of Contract No. 1220-040-2021-061
South Surrey Indigenous Carving Centre**

RECOMMENDATION

The Planning & Development Department recommends that Council:

1. Award Contract No. 1220-040-2021-061 to Fricia Construction Ltd. in the amount of \$1,226,326.50 (including GST) for the South Surrey Indigenous Carving Centre;
2. Set the expenditure authorization limit for Contract No. 1220-040-2021-061 at \$1,344,092.40 (including GST and contingency); and
3. Authorize the General Manager, Planning & Development to execute Contract No. 1220-040-2021-061 and all related Change Orders within the approved expenditure authorization limit.

INTENT

The intent of this report is to obtain Council approval to award a Contract for the construction works of the South Surrey Indigenous Carving Centre (the “Project”) to Fricia Construction Ltd.

BACKGROUND

This project originates from ongoing dialogue with Katzie, Kwantlen and Semiahmoo First Nations. During the development of Surrey’s Parks, Recreation & Culture Strategic Plan 2018-2027 (the “PRC Plan”), a specific consultation process took place with Katzie, Kwantlen and Semiahmoo First Nations in which the need for an Indigenous carving centre was made clear. Katzie, Kwantlen and Semiahmoo First Nations recognized that such a venue would address the need for programming that supports preserving traditional cultural practices. In addition, it was emphasized that a carving venue would support the development of creative and technical capacity, artistic opportunities, and entrepreneurship.

One of the primary objectives included in the PRC Plan relates to Indigenous reconciliation. Related to this primary objective are seven specific recommendations, including the call for new spaces for Indigenous programming and spaces for Indigenous ceremony and use. The Carving Centre Project responds to the need for dedicated space to support the development and sharing of Indigenous cultural practices. Through 2021, numerous consultation sessions were held with Katzie, Kwantlen and Semiahmoo First Nations, including a Ground Blessing Ceremony on October 2, 2021, attended by Mayor and Council. The City has also discussed the Project with the Surrey Urban Indigenous Leadership Committee, the Surrey School District, the Surrey Heritage Advisory Commission, the Parks, Recreation & Culture Committee, the Heritage BC, and the Canada Cultural Spaces Fund.

DISCUSSION

Scope of Work

Following selective demolition of the existing Hadden boat building, as well as removal and relocation of the existing boat (by the City), new reinforced concrete foundations will be excavated and constructed for the new pavilion on the east side of the existing boat shed. This structure will be repurposed into a carving space with a work bench and sink. A new universal washroom will be constructed, and new service systems will include all new plumbing, heating, fire suppression, and electrical system and lighting fixtures, including security and access control.

Invitation to Tender Results

On November 4, 2021, Request for Quotations (“RFQ”) No. 1220-040-2021-061 was issued for the Project. The RFQ was advertised on both the City and BC Bid websites. A total of 11 compliant bids were received:

Contractor	Quoted Amount with GST
1 Fricia Construction Ltd.	\$1,226,326.50
2 Sajo Inc. (roof replacement price SP3 missing)	\$1,313,550.00
3 Golden Globe Ltd.	\$1,357,650.00
4 Sitka West Projects Inc.	\$1,482,936.00
5 Luxton Construction (roof replacement price SP3 missing)	\$1,517,040.00
6 Wood Projects Ltd.	\$1,530,900.00
7 Dawn Construction Ltd.	\$1,579,835.61
8 RJS Construction Ltd. (roof replacement price SP3 missing)	\$1,604,903.37
9 Edifice Construction Inc.	\$1,659,420.00
10 Boston Construction Corp.	\$1,682,956.80
11 Exo Construction Group	\$1,701,598.40

Evaluation

The RFQ closed on December 16, 2021. City staff and consultants reviewed the RFQ submissions for accuracy and completeness. Three submissions omitted the roof replacement component of the Project. Based on the average of the quotes submitted from the other bidders for this component of the work, staff expect that adding this component to the bids in which it was omitted would add approximately \$75,000 to the quoted price. The low bidder, Fricia Construction Ltd., was interviewed by the evaluation team on January 21, 2022, and past performance appears satisfactory and represents the best value to the City. It is recommended that Fricia Construction Ltd. be awarded Contract No. 1220-040-2021-061.

Project Schedule

Construction of the Project is targeted to begin early March 2022 (subject to Building Permit issuance) and is expected to be substantially complete in August 2022.

SUSTAINABILITY CONSIDERATIONS

The work of this project supports the City's Sustainability Charter 2.0. In particular, this project supports the Sustainability Charter 2.0 themes of Inclusion, and Education and Culture. Specifically, this project supports the following Desired Outcomes ("DO") and Strategic Directions ("SD"):

- Diversity and Accessibility DO7: Surrey's Urban Aboriginal community is thriving with high educational outcomes, meaningful employment and opportunities for cultural connections;
- Diversity and Accessibility SD2: Work with Aboriginal leaders to support and strengthen social innovation in the Surrey Urban Aboriginal community;
- Arts and Heritage DO9: Surrey supports and celebrates its diverse artists, cultures and community heritage through inclusive festivals, programming and events; and
- Arts and Heritage SD11: Create better access to arts, heritage and cultural facilities and services at the neighbourhood level.

FUNDING

Funding for this project was identified in the City's Five-Year Capital Plan (2021-2025) and is also supported by a \$400,000 grant from Heritage BC and a \$20,000 grant from the Friends of the Surrey Museum and Archives Society.

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Appendix "I" – Map of Project Location

