

R144 : Contract Award M.S.2.2.00 - Riteway Tree & All Seasons Tree



# **Corporate** **NO: R144**

# **Report** **COUNCIL DATE: June 26, 2000**

## **REGULAR COUNCIL**

**TO: Mayor & Council**    **DATE: June 16, 2000**

**FROM: General Manager**

**Parks, Recreation and Culture**    **FILE: 8390-001**

**SUBJECT: Contract Award M.S.2.2.00 - Riteway Tree & All Seasons Tree**

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That Contract M.S.2.2.00, **Tree Pruning and Removal**, be awarded to:

- (a) *Riteway Tree Service* for tree removals and utility line work; and
- (b) *All Seasons Tree Service* for the tree pruning.

## **BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION**

The scope of work for this contract includes demand and scheduled tree removals and pruning; this work includes the use of specialized equipment such as fifty foot aerial lift trucks with wood chippers operated by trained personnel. Tree pruning also requires contract personnel to be trained in proper tree pruning standards and techniques, and to be certified by the International Society of Arboriculture.

The contractor must be available on an 'on call' basis during storm events and supply the City with adequate resources to deal with emergency situations. During storm events, the City is the Contractor's primary, first-served client.

Requests for Expression of Interest (REI) in this tender contract were sent to local tree service companies, of which eight responded and provided detailed information on the following criteria:

1. Company experience;
2. Company resources; and

3. Experience and qualifications of staff assigned to our contract.

Four contractors that achieved a minimum rating on their ability to perform various aspects of the work were sent invitations to provide hourly rate quotations for the work.

**Tender Results**

Tenders for Contract M.S.2.2.00 were received on April 20, 2000, with the results as follows:

A. For tree removals: aerial lift truck, chipper, two person crew.

<i>Contractor</i>	<i>Tendered Amount before GST</i>
1. Riteway Tree Services Ltd.	\$88.00 per hour
2. Davey Tree Services Ltd.	\$96.00 per hour
3. Asplundh Utility Tree Service Ltd.	\$99.00 per hour

B. For tree pruning: truck and chipper, certified arborist, groundman.

<i>Contractor</i>	<i>Tendered Amount before GST</i>
1. All Season Tree Service Ltd.	\$90.00 per hour
2. Riteway Trees Services Ltd.	\$105.00 per hour
3. Asplundh Utility Services Ltd.	\$117.00 per hour
4. Davey Tree Services Ltd.	\$130.00 per hour

**SUMMARY**

All tenders were checked for legal or mathematical errors. The low bidders for Contract M.S. 2.2.00 are **Riteway Tree Services** for tree removal and **All Season Tree Service** for tree pruning; their past performance with the City has been satisfactory. Total cost for the annual contract is approximately \$350,000 per annum. The funding available for this contract is included in various Departmental capital and operating budgets.

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Attachment

c.c. - General Manager, Finance, Technology & Human Resources

