



Corporate NO: R160

Report COUNCIL DATE: July 16, 2001

REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: **July 12, 2001**

FROM: General Manager, Engineering FILE: **1701-005/11**

SUBJECT: Contract Awards in Council's Absence

RECOMMENDATION

That in Council's absence, the City Manager be authorized during August to award Contract M.S. 1701-005 - Construction Package R05/01, for Road Paving & Miscellaneous Works, provided that:

- there are a minimum of two tenderers in an open public tender;
- award is to the lowest tender;
- the construction tender is no more than 10% over the Engineer's pre-tender estimate.

DISCUSSION

Council will not be meeting over the month of August. In view of this, every effort is made to avoid the need for tender awards during Council's absence. One contract closure in late July / early August was, however, unavoidable. This contract is for a number of road repaving and sidewalk projects. Repaving, in particular, is best carried out during good weather. More generally, commencement of these works to take advantage of as much of the summer weather conditions as possible is advantageous to the City. In line with previous practice established since the August recess was introduced in the mid-1990's, we are requesting that Council delegate authority to the City Manager for awarding the above outlined contract during this period.

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