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# Corporate Report

NO: R096

COUNCIL DATE: May 12, 2003

#### REGULAR COUNCIL

TO: Mayor & Council DATE: May 2, 2003

FROM: General Manager, Engineering FILE: 1203-002

SUBJECT: Contract Award - M.S. 1203-002: Sandpiper Contracting Ltd.

# RECOMMENDATION

That Contract M.S. 1203-002 be awarded to the low bidder, Sandpiper Contracting Ltd., in the amount of \$1,193,242.60, including GST.

# SCOPE OF WORK

Contract M.S. 1203-002 is for water works upgrade and replacement of the major grid main on King George Highway from 84 Avenue to 96 Avenue.

Construction is expected to start May 26 and be complete by July 8, ahead of the hot-in-place repavement of King George Highway.

#### TENDER RESULTS

Tenders for this contract were received on April 29, 2003, with the results as follows:

	Contractor	Tender Amount at Opening	Corrected Tender Amount
		ur opening	
1.	Sandpiper Contracting Ltd.	\$1,193,242.60	
2.	TAG Construction Ltd.	\$1,246,913.80	
3.	B. Cusano Contracting Inc.	\$1,366,390.00	
4.	Rissling Services Ltd.	\$1,542,599.74	\$1,542,514.14

The Engineer's pre-tender estimate was \$1,006,000.

#### **EVALUATION**

All tenders were checked for legal and mathematical errors. A mathematical error was found in Rissling Services' tender. The corrected price is indicated above.

Our pre-tender estimate was based on past unit prices for similar work. Prices for the work are higher than estimated, we believe, due to the following reasons:

- higher costs for traffic control as it is a major highway;
- all work must be carried out at night-time so we do not affect the large daytime traffic volume;
- interruptions of work due to contaminated soils;
- higher liquidated damage potential associated with the hot-in-place paving contractor scheduled to follow the water works construction.

The low bidder, Sandpiper Contracting Ltd., has completed other underground works for the City in the past and similar works for other cities, and were found to be an acceptable contractor.

# **FUNDING**

Total funding required \$1,321,000 Funding allocated to project \$1,035,000 Additional funding from Unallocated Water Works budget \$286,000

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