CITY OF VAUGHAN

EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 19. 2015

Item 25, Report No. 20, of the Committee of the Whole, which was adopted, as amended, by the Council of the City of Vaughan on May 19, 2015, as follows:

By approving the recommendation in Communication C5 from the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Transportation Services, Parks and Forestry Operations, dated May 19, 2015, as follows:

- 1. That the Award of Tender T15-111 for the Supply and Planting of Trees throughout the City of Vaughan be awarded to M&S Architectural Ltd. for a one year contract, at a total cost of \$1,822,286.37 (excluding HST and administrative recovery);
- 2. That a contingency allowance in the amount of \$182,229.00 (10%) be approved within which the Director of Transportation Services, Parks and Forestry Operations is authorized to approve amendments to the contract; and
- 3. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

25 TENDER T15-111 - SUPPLY AND PLANTING OF TREES CITY WIDE ALL WARDS

The Committee of the Whole recommends approval of the recommendation contained in the following report of the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Transportation Services, Parks and Forestry Operations, dated May 5, 2015:

Recommendation

The Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Transportation Services, Parks and Forestry Operations, in consultation with the Director of Purchasing Services and the Director of Financial Planning and Analytics recommend:

1. That the award recommendation report for T15-111, the Supply and Planting of Trees throughout the City of Vaughan, be brought forward to Council on May 19, 2015.

Contribution to Sustainability

This report is consistent with the priorities previously set by Council in the Green Directions Vaughan, Community Sustainability Environmental Master Plan, Goal 2, Objective 2.2:

• To develop Vaughan as a City with maximum green space and an urban form that supports our expected population growth by providing strategies for achieving our urban forest targets which include; planning, maintenance, species and planting recommendations.

Economic Impact

Funds for Tender T15-111 for the Supply and Planting of Trees throughout the City of Vaughan were approved in both the 2014 and 2015 Capital Budgets.

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Communications Plan

The tree planting tender is part of a multi-year strategy to replace trees lost due to regular mortality, EAB infestation and the 2013 ice storm. An upcoming information report to Council in June will outline the 2015 City Wide Tree Planting Strategy. A list of planting locations will be posted on the City website and both Corporate Communications and city staff will be provided with detailed information ensuring a consistent message is relayed to the residents regarding the multi-year tree planting strategy. Moving forward staff proposes to report annually to Council on the progress of the replanting efforts city wide and post the most current information on the department's web page.

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to inform Council that Tender T15-111 closed April 21, 2015 and that staff will submit an award recommendation report to Council at the meeting on May 19, 2015 after the tender evaluations are completed.

Background - Analysis and Options

Purchasing Services advertised the tender on the Ontario Public Buyers Association and the Bidingo and on the City Web Page on April 11, 2013 with an original closing date of April 17, 2015. A mandatory site meeting was held at the Joint Operations Centre, 2800 Rutherford Road, Vaughan, on April 10, 2015. One addendum was issued to answer questions received and to extend the closing date to April 21, 2015.

Seven (7) proponents attended the mandatory site meeting. Four (4) bids were received on closing. Staff is currently in the process of evaluating the tender submissions.

The Transportation Services, Parks and Forestry Operations Department administers the removal of dead trees due to disease, insects or storm damage (including the stumps) and also replants trees on public lands throughout the City of Vaughan.

The number of trees identified in this tender is 3,840. The trees are identified for planting in 2013 and 2014. The current contract T15-111 is a combination of the prioritized deferred 2014 fall plantings and the 2015 regular, EAB, and ice storm plantings as outlined in the report received by the Finance, Administration and Audit Committee, March 2, 2015, Item 1, Report 6.

Relationship to Vaughan Vision 2020/Strategic Plan

In consideration of the strategic priorities related to Vaughan Vision 2020, the project will provide:

- STRATEGIC GOAL:
 - Service Excellence Providing service excellence to citizens.
- STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES:

Pursue Excellence in Service Delivery, Enhance and Ensure Community Safety and Health and Wellness – To deliver high quality services and to promote health and wellness through design and program.

Regional Implications

There are no regional implications.

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Conclusion

The tender evaluation will be completed prior to the scheduled Council Meeting on May 19, 2015. At that meeting, staff will provide Council with a communication containing an award recommendation.

Attachments

N/A

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