#### **CITY OF VAUGHAN**

#### **EXTRACT FROM COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 16. 2015**

Item 6, Report No. 31, of the Committee of the Whole which was adopted, as amended, by the Council of the City of Vaughan on September 16, 2015, as follows:

By approving the following in accordance with Communication C6 from the Commissioner of Public Works and Director of Transportation Services, Parks and Forestry Operations, dated September 11, 2015:

- 1. That the Award of Tender T15-425 for the Supply and Planting of Trees throughout the City of Vaughan be awarded to Euro Landscape Construction & Grounds Inc. in the amount of \$328,078 plus applicable taxes;
- 2. That a contingency allowance in the amount of \$32,808 (10%) be approved within which the Director of Transportation Services, Parks and Forestry Operations is authorized to approve amendments to the contract;
- 3. That the amounts of the above recommendations, including all contingency allowances, applicable taxes and administration recovery be funded from Capital Projects RP-6700-15 Tree Planting Program-Regular, RP-6739-15 Tree Planting Program-EAB and RP-6755-15 Ice Storm Tree Replacement Strategy; and
- 4. That the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to sign the necessary documents.

# 6 TENDER T15-425 - SUPPLY AND PLANTING OF TREES CITY WIDE ALL WARDS

The Committee of the Whole recommends:

- 1) That the following be approved in accordance with Communication C1, from the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Transportation Services, Parks and Forestry Operations, dated September 3, 2015:
  - 1. That the recommendation contained in Item 6 Committee of the Whole Report 31, September 9, 2015, be replaced with the following:
    - 1) That the award recommendation report for T15-425, the Supply and Planting of Trees throughout the City of Vaughan, be provided to the Council meeting of September 16, 2015; and
- 2) That the following report of the Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Transportation Services, Parks and Forestry Operations, dated September 9, 2015, be received.

#### **Recommendation**

The Commissioner of Public Works and the Director of Transportation Services, Parks and Forestry Operations recommends:

1. That the award recommendation report for T15-425, the Supply and Planting of Trees throughout the City of Vaughan, be brought forward to Council on September 9, 2015.

#### **Contribution to Sustainability**

This report contributes to the goals and objectives within the Green Directions Vaughan, the City's Community Sustainability Environmental Master Plan, specifically:

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Goal 2: To ensure sustainable development and redevelopment.

Objective 2.2: "To develop Vaughan as a City with maximum green space and an urban form that supports our expected population growth."

This goal and objectives can be realized by providing strategies for achieving our urban forest targets which include; planning, maintenance, species and planting recommendations.

#### **Economic Impact**

Funds for Tender T15-425 for the Supply and Planting of Trees throughout the City of Vaughan were approved in both the 2014 and 2015 Capital Budgets.

# 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 information report to Council on June 16, 2015 outlined the 2015 City Wide Tree Planting Strategy. The list of planting locations posted on the City website will be updated with the additional locations and both the Corporate Communications and other 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, City 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 T15-425 closed September 2, 2015 and that staff will submit an award recommendation report to Council at the meeting on September 9, 2015 after the tender evaluations are completed.

#### **Background - Analysis and Options**

Purchasing Services will advertise the tender on the Ontario Public Buyers Association and the Bidingo and on the City Web Page on August 18, 2015 with a closing date of September 2, 2015.

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 1,100. These trees were identified for planting in 2013 and 2014. The current contract T15-425 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:

#### Service Excellence:

- Demonstrate Excellence in Service Delivery
- Promote Community Safety, Health and Wellness
- Lead and promote Environmental Sustainability

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# **Regional Implications**

There are no regional implications associated with this report.

# Conclusion

The reference check and tender evaluation will be completed prior to the scheduled Council Meeting on September 9, 2015. At that meeting, staff will provide Council with a communication containing an award recommendation.

# **Attachments**

N/A

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