

May 18, 2010

To: The Board of Governors of Exhibition Place

ACTION REQUIRED

From: Dianne Young
Chief Executive Officer

Subject: **2010 Capital Works Program – Tender Report**
Landscape Improvements at ALLSTREAM CENTRE
Contract No. 10-078-07814

Summary:

This report recommends approving a contract with Forest Ridge Landscaping for the Landscape Improvements at the Allstream Centre. The tender for this contract was issued on April 22, 2010 and the recommendation is to award the contract to the low bidder.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board approve Contract No. 10-078-07814 to Forest Ridge Landscaping of Sharon, Ontario for the Landscape Improvements at the Allstream Centre, in the amount of \$218,320.46, which includes a contingency of \$12,500.00, but excludes GST/HST; this being the lowest tender received.

Financial Impact:

The financing for this project is included within the approved Exhibition Place 2010 Capital Works Program under the project name Landscape Improvements at Allstream Centre.

Decision History:

At its meeting of June 2009, the Board approved a \$2,670,000 for the 2010 Capital Works Budget as part of the ten-year (2010-2019) proposed program submission to the City of Toronto, which was subsequently approved by City Council at its meeting of December 8, 2009. Containing in the budget was the required funding for this project. In the same submission to the City, there was also a separate amount of \$3,790,000 requested through the Green Energy Initiatives, for which funding source is still to be secured.

Issue Background:

This project is to improve the landscape of the Allstream Centre as a continuation of the phased project that was approved in 2008. The surrounding area of the Allstream Centre needs to be upgraded in keeping with its new Class “A” status of the centre and also in satisfying the requirements of the Heritage Easement Agreement, to echo the design intent for the era in early 1920.

Comments:

The tender for this contract was issued on April 22, 2010 and Fatima Scagnol, Corporate Secretary of the Board, supervised the tender opening on May 13, 2010. Five official tenders

were received. Their price submissions, excluding GST/HST, are as shown in the following table:

Tenderer	Base Tender Price (\$)	Recommended Tender Price (\$)
Forest Ridge Landscaping	218,319.96	*218,320.46
Sansar Contracting Ltd.	224,564.00	224,564.00
Mopal Construction Limited	308,900.00	308,900.00
CRCE Construction Ltd.	325,046.00	325,046.00
JimRicks Property Services	384,455.35	384,455.35

*Corrected Price due to adding mistake

The Budget for this project (construction costs, engineering fees, and project management and administration costs) is under two main Capital Works projects for the work of landscaping at Allstream (No. 078 & 079). The total budget of the landscape improvements at Allstream Centre is estimated at \$270, 000. The submission of the lowest base tender by Forest Ridge Landscaping of \$218,320.46, which contains a contingency of \$12,500.00, is therefore within the said budget.

The base tender price includes landscape redevelopment around the newly renovated Allstream Centre including the elements such as: site grading, walkways, unit pavers, planter & seat wall, granite benches, permeable pavers on high performance bedding, tree and shrub plantings, perennial plantings, seeding to restore lawn areas, reinforced turf and new irrigation system.

Forest Ridge Landscaping is a landscape contracting company founded in 1985. Exhibition Place and the board consultant, Victor Ford and Associates Inc., both have not worked with Forest Ridge Landscaping before. Base on its submission, the company has provided landscape construction services for a number of high-end residential projects and a number of public park and streetscape projects over the last number of years. Their services include natural stonework, woodworking, planting, garden ponds/waterfalls, landscape lighting and irrigation. Positive references were received by the Board's consultant with regards to its workmanship, project coordination, cooperation, and meeting project deadlines.

This recommendation is contingent upon approval by the City's Insurance and Risk Management Division of the Surety Company proposed by the successful bidder for the supply of the bonding requirements and is also subject to the Fair Wage Office confirming that the recommended contractor and its subcontractors maintain wage rates and working conditions in accordance with Toronto Workers' Rights requirements.

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