

April 14, 2010

To: The Board of Governors of Exhibition Place

From: Dianne Young, Chief Executive Officer

Subject: **Infrastructure Stimulus Fund (ISF) Program – Tender Report  
BETTER LIVING CENTRE – Supply of Windows & Doors  
Contract No. 09-0083-98335A**

Summary:

This report recommends approving a contract with Alwind Industries Ltd. for the supply of windows and doors at the Better Living Centre to replace the existing windows which are original to the building (1962). The tender for this contract was issued on March 17, 2010 and the recommendation is to award to the lowest bidder. There is a further report to the Board awarding the installation of these windows to Phoenix Restoration.

**Recommendations:**

**It is recommended that the Board approve Contract No. 09-0083-98335A to Alwind Industries Ltd. of Markham, Ontario for the supply of windows and doors within the Better Living Centre in the amount of \$ 881,486.40, which includes a contingency of \$ 20,000.00 but excludes GST/HST; this being the lowest tender received.**

Financial Impact:

The total cost of \$27.370 million for the stimulus projects as approved by Council and the Board are fully committed and funded by the Federal Government (1/3 share) and the City of Toronto (2/3 share) with no financial impact to the Board's operating or capital budget.

Decision History:

On September 11, 2009, the Federal Government announced the long anticipated Infrastructure Stimulus Fund (ISF) program of \$570 million to the City of Toronto, in which one third comes from Federal and two third from City Council. Out of this fund, \$27.370 million was approved for Exhibition Place for eight (8) projects. On September 30 / October 1, City Council formally approved the ISF Program for all Departments, Agencies, Boards and Commissions. Subsequently, at its meeting of October 8, the Board approved for the record these ISF Projects as submitted to the City in the spring of 2009.

Issue Background:

This project is to supply the windows and doors needed for the replacement of the single glazed clerestory windows just below the high roof and exterior doors that are original to the building. In order to improve energy efficiency, all single glazed windows and doors along the perimeter of the building will be replaced with argon filled double-glazed thermo pane windows and doors. Supply of the windows and doors is part of the interior building restoration submitted to the ISF program for the Better Living Centre.

Comments:

The tender for this contract was issued on March 17, 2010 and Fatima Scagnol, Corporate Secretary of the Board, supervised the tender opening on April 12, 2010. Two official tenders were received. Their price submissions, excluding GST/HST, are as shown in the following table:

<b>Tenderer</b>	<b>Base Tender Price (\$)</b>	<b>Recommended Tender Price (\$)</b>
<b>Alwind Industries Ltd.</b>	<b>881,486.40</b>	<b>881,486.40</b>
Phoenix Restoration	941,500.00	941,500.00

The Budget for this work (construction costs, engineering fees, and project management and administration costs) is under the main ISF project of Better Living Centre (No. 0083) and the interior and building envelope budget is estimated at \$ 3,175,000.00. The submission of the low tender by Alwind Industries Ltd. of \$ 881,486.40, which contains a contingency of \$20,000.00, is therefore within the said budget.

The base tender price is for supplying the energy efficient double glazed windows with argon gas & thermal break aluminum frame, and double glazed panels & doors along the perimeter of the Better Living Centre. It also includes the supply of double glazed panels and doors for a new curtain wall to be constructed at the north entrance of the building.

The lowest bidder is Alwind Industries Ltd. It is a Canadian company which develops, manufactures, supplies, and installs a series of institutional aluminium products. It was founded in 1985. Alwind Industries Ltd. had worked on many projects over the last ten years at Exhibition Place. Other window replacement projects were North Extension, QE Executive Office, Fountain Dining Room, and Horse Palace.

This recommendation is contingent upon approval by the Office of the Deputy City Manager and CFO 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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