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To:

The Board of Governors of Exhibition Place

From:

Dianne Young

General Manager & CEO

Subject:

Tender for North Extension - Coliseum Complex

Pennin/Penlaga Digintagrating Fibragless Windows

Repair/Replace Disintegrating Fibreglass Windows

Contract No. 03-0034-33403

Recommendation(s):

It is recommended that the Board award Contract No. 03-0034-33403 to Alwind Industries Ltd. of Concord, Ontario in the total amount of \$146,788.00, this being the lowest tender received.

Background:

The Board approved a budget of \$210,000 last year as part of the 2003 Capital Works Program for repair/replacement of disintegrating fibreglass windows at the North Extension.

Discussion:

The original steel sash Clerestory roof windows with single wired glazing were replaced with single fiberglass panes and painted to opaque green colour in the 1970's. These fibreglass panes of the existing windows are deteriorated, cracked and will eventually break up from exposure to weather and ultra-violet rays. The caulking around the panes has also deteriorated to the extent that it leaks from time to time despite on-going maintenance efforts. The main scope of this project is to replace them with insulated aluminum framing and with horizontal and vertical muntin bars to simulate the historical appearance of the windows. These new windows will provide energy efficiency to the building with their hermetically sealed framing and insulated panels. Their colour will also remain the same green matching the existing colour of the steel sash windows. There are a total of 10 types and 36 windows in various sizes to be replaced in this contract.

The tender for this contract was issued on June 20 and on July 4th, Fatima Scagnol, Corporate Secretary, supervised the tender opening of this Capital Project. Seven (7) contractors were prequalified for this work and two (2) tenders were received. These price submissions, excluding GST, are as follows:



Tenderer	Submitted Tender Price	Recommended Contract Amt. (in bold)
Alwind Industries Ltd.	\$146,788.00	\$146,788.00
Windspec Inc.	4193,995.00	

The low bidder Alwind Industries Ltd. was incorporated in 1985. Alwind is not only a manufacturer of the commercial quality windows, but also an installer of its own windows. Alwind has successfully completed several institutional and historical buildings' window replacement projects such as the Grand River Hospital (Kitchener), the University of Windsor, for the National Research Council, and for the Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board, among numerous others. Alwind has also been awarded the Horse Palace window replacement contract in May of this year by the Board.

The budget for this work (construction costs, engineering fees, project management and administration costs) is \$210,000 under the Capital Works Account No. 0034. Contained in this figure is \$175,000 for this window replacement work. The recommended low tender at \$146,788.00, which includes \$10,000.00 contingency is therefore, within budget.

This recommendation is contingent upon approval of the Toronto Commissioner of Finance and Treasurer for the Surety Company which will supply the bonding requirements and the Fair Wage Office to confirm that the recommended contractor and its subcontractors maintain wage rates and working conditions in accordance with Toronto Workers' Rights requirements. The Treasurer has previously certified, at the time of project approval, that financing can be provided under the updated Debt and Financial Obligation Limit and that it falls within corporate debt guidelines.

Conclusion:

This report recommends that the Board award Contract No. 03-0034-33403 to Alwind Industries Ltd. in the amount of \$146,788.00, for this window replacement work at the North Extension of the Coliseum Complex.

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