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Halifax Regional Council
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TO: Mayor Savage and Members of Halifax Regional Council

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SUBMITTED BY:

Jacques Dubé, Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: August 23, 2021

SUBJECT: Award – 21-163 Wharf Repairs - Phase 2 – Halifax and Dartmouth

ORIGIN

The approved 2021/22 Capital Budget, Supplemental Report Page B69 Wharf Recapitalization – CB000087)

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY

The Municipality may spend money for municipal purposes in accordance with section 79A of the HRM Charter. The recommended contract award complies with all of the pre-requisites for awarding contracts as set out in section 26 of Administrative Order 2020-004-ADM, the *Procurement Administrative Order*.

Section 28 of the *Procurement Administrative Order*, provides that Halifax Regional Council may approve contract awards of any amount.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Halifax Regional Council award Tender No. 21-163, Wharf Repairs - Phase 2 – Halifax and Dartmouth to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, Acadian Marine and Diving Ltd. for a Total Price of \$1,718,291 (net HST included) with funding from Wharf Recapitalization – CB000087, as outlined in the Financial Implications section of this report.

BACKGROUND

Halifax Regional Municipality owns various waterfront facilities including docks, piers, and wharves. The boating public use these assets to dock their boats and enjoy downtown Halifax and Dartmouth. Various events and celebrations are hosted on the downtown waterfront and take place on these structures. These facilities need repairs to maintain the useful life of the asset as well as the safety of users. Additionally, repairs will improve the climate resiliency of the assets to better withstand the expected increase in severe weather events.

HRM waterfront assets are operated by Develop Nova Scotia on behalf of HRM, with HRM responsible for capital works and maintenance.

In 2020, a portion of the Alderney Wharf and all of the Chebucto Wharf (downtown Halifax) were repaired. During this work, the Alderney and Halifax ferry terminal buildings also had structural repairs completed. The Woodside Terminal was recently repaired and does not require capital work at this time.

This work will complete and expand on these previous repairs at Alderney Landing in Dartmouth. This tender will hire specialized contractors to complete the repairs both above and below the water surface.

The project team will liaise with the appropriate stakeholders and authorities, including Halifax Transit, HRM Special Events, Develop Nova Scotia, and others. Project details, timelines and project risks will be communicated to minimize disruptions. No disruption to the ferry schedule or ferry terminals is anticipated during this work.

DISCUSSION

Tender 21-163 was posted to the Province of Nova Scotia's Procurement website on July 15, 2021 and closed August 19, 2021. Compliant bids were received from the following companies:

Proponent	\$ Price (net HST included)
Acadian Marine and Diving *	1,718,291
Gregory Kerr Limited	2,700,486
Complete Concrete Solutions	2,809,778
Horseshoe Hill Construction Inc.	3,452,711
Dexter Construction Ltd.	3,992,694

^{*}Recommended Bidder

Work is planned to commence within one (1) month of this award and be completed within eight (8) months. Some sections of the boardwalk and pier will need to be closed periodically to ensure public safety during the project.

This project was estimated in the Approved 2021/22 Capital Budget at \$3,000,000.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Based on the quoted price of \$ 1,718,291 (net HST included) funding is available from CB000087. The budget availability has been confirmed by Finance.

Budget Summary: <u>Project No. CB000087 – Wharf Recapitalization</u>

 Cumulative Unspent Budget
 \$ 3,504,950

 Less: Tender21-163
 \$ 1,718,291

 Balance
 \$ 1,786,659

The balance of funds will be used for additional repairs to wharves and piers not covered in this tender.

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RISK CONSIDERATION

As many areas of the infrastructure are not accessible for inspections, there is a risk that the scope and costs may be greater than indicated in the tender. Delay of the work may have an impact on events scheduled in the work area. HRM staff will provide regular updates to stakeholders to communicate project timelines and project risks.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

No environmental implications were identified.

ALTERNATIVES

Regional Council could choose not to approve the recommendation.

ATTACHMENTS

No attachments.

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