

Report TR-TAPS-02-15

To: Chair and Members of the Transportation and Public Safety Committee
From: M.J. Kelly, Director of Transportation Services
Meeting Date: December 18, 2014
Subject: **Tender Approval Grey Road 15 (3rd Avenue East, City of Owen Sound)**
Status: Recommendation adopted by Committee as presented per Resolution TAPS06-15; Endorsed by County Council January 6, 2015 per Resolution CC22-15;

Recommendation(s)

WHEREAS the City of Owen Sound and Grey County wish to tender a project to reconstruct and update municipal infrastructure on a section of Grey Road 15 (3rd Avenue East) from approximately 100 metres north of 21st Street East to 26th Street East;

AND WHEREAS this project is included in the 2015 Preliminary Transportation Services budget that has not yet been presented to the Transportation and Public Safety Committee;

AND WHEREAS the City of Owen Sound will be eligible to receive a \$1,100,000 provincial grant provided the project is awarded by March 1, 2015;

AND WHEREAS to allow the Transportation and Public Safety Committee to consider the submitted tender at the January 22, 2015 meeting, the tender needs to be advertised on December 19, 2014.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Report TR-TAPS-02-15 regarding the tendering of the Grey Road 15 (3rd Avenue East) from approximately 100 metres north of 21st Street East to 26th Street East be received;

AND THAT approval be granted to tender the project on December 19, 2014.

Background

The City of Owen Sound and Grey County have worked together to complete a design to reconstruct a section of Grey Road 15 (3rd Avenue East) from 100 metres north of 21st Street East to 26th Street East, Owen Sound.

Grey County owns the road right-of-way and has jurisdiction over the road. The road is in poor condition and requires reconstruction. The City of Owen Sound has municipal infrastructure such as water services, sanitary sewers and sidewalks within the corridor that requires replacement and updating.

The project includes the replacement of the sanitary sewers, water mains and storm sewers, as well as the upgrading of the road to a rural cross section and reconstruction of the road bed.

The County will be responsible for the road work as identified in the Grey County Policy for Maintenance and Construction in Urban Areas.

The majority of the cost for this project will be funded by the City of Owen Sound. As a result, they have taken the lead role in the administration of the Consultant Engineering Assignment. The Consultant Engineering Assignment was awarded approximately five years ago. The design is now completed and all applicable approvals received.

The reconstruction of this section of Grey Road 15 has been on the Grey County program since it was assumed by the County in 2004.

Grey County has included this work on the Capital Construction program for the last several years; however, construction was not completed because the design was not finalized and the City of Owen Sound did not have their share of the funding.

The preliminary 2015 Transportation Services budget has not yet been presented to the Transportation and Public Safety Committee due to the municipal election; therefore, County staff does not have the authority to tender the project.

The City of Owen Sound was successful in obtaining a provincial grant for \$1,100,000 to subsidize their portion of the project. In accordance with the terms of the grant, the tender must be awarded by March 1, 2015.

The City of Owen Sound has approved the tendering of this project.

To achieve this tender award milestone, and for the City of Owen Sound to obtain the funding, the following schedule is recommended:

- Tender the project on December 19, 2014
- Accept tenders on January 14, 2015

- Staff reviews the tender submission and makes a recommendation regarding award of the Contract.
- Passing a resolution at the January 22, 2015 Transportation and Public Service Committee meeting to award the tender.
- On February 3, 2015, County Council endorses the Transportation Services Department January 22, 2015 resolution to award the tender.

Transportation Services would not normally request that the tender be let until it is endorsed by County Council; however, due to the unique circumstance regarding the need to award the Contract by March 1, 2015 in order to meet the terms of the City of Owen Sound's grant, this schedule is being recommended.

Financial / Staffing / Legal / Information Technology

Considerations

The total estimated cost for this project is \$5,870,000. The anticipated Grey County share of the work is \$1,960,000.

The Transportation Services Department's preliminary budget includes an allocation of \$2,085,000 to complete this project.

Link to Strategic Goals / Priorities

Strategic Goal 6: Achieving Excellence in Governance and Service

Respectfully submitted by,

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