

Region of Waterloo

Corporate Services

Treasury Services

To: Regional Council

Meeting Date: April 22, 2026

Report Title: T2026-110 Scheifele Bridge Construction Including Northfield Drive (Regional Road 22) Realignment and Trunk Watermain City of Waterloo and Township of Woolwich, Ontario (PQ2025-23)

1. Recommendation

That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo take the following actions regarding T2026-110 Scheifele Bridge Construction Including Northfield Drive (Regional Road 22) Realignment and Trunk Watermain City of Waterloo and Township of Woolwich, Ontario (PQ2025-23)

- a) Accept the tender of Sierra Infrastructure Inc in the amount of \$19,400,976.10 plus all applicable taxes, and enter into an agreement, subject to receipt of the Fisheries Act Authorization from Fisheries and Oceans Canada by June 23, 2026
- b) Approve an increase in project cost of \$39,300 gross and \$0 net to facilitate work undertaken on behalf of the City of Waterloo

as set out in report COR-TRY-26-011 dated April 22, 2026.

2. Purpose / Issue:

For Tenders/Proposals - Purchasing by-law 22-034 Section 2 item 2c requires Council approval for tenders in excess of \$10,000,000.

3. Strategic Plan:

Award of this contract meets the 2023-2027 Corporate Strategic Plan priorities, Climate Aligned Growth, Equitable Services and Opportunities, and Homes for All. Proposed improvements will improve traffic operations, foster car alternative options, and support existing and future development.

4. Report Highlights:

Tenders were called for T2026-110 Scheifele Bridge Construction Including Northfield Drive (Regional Road 22) Realignment and Trunk Watermain City of Waterloo and

Township of Woolwich, Ontario (PQ2025-23) and were advertised on the Region's website.

There are sufficient funds in the Region's approved 2026-2035 Transportation Capital Program and Water Capital Program to complete the work under this contract.

Subject to Council approval, the work of this contract will begin May 4, 2026, with completion expected by November 2029.

5. Background:

Tenders were called for T2026-110 Scheifele Bridge Construction Including Northfield Drive (Regional Road 22) Realignment and Trunk Watermain in the City of Waterloo and Township of Woolwich, Ontario (PQ2025-23) and were advertised on the Region's website. A pre-qualification process was completed for this project (PQ2025-23) and only bids received from the pre-qualified list were accepted.

- The following tenders were received:

Sierra Infrastructure Inc	Woodstock, Ontario	\$19,400,976.10
Alliance Verdi Civil Inc.	Bolton, Ontario	\$20,485,516.20
GIP Paving Inc.	Markham, Ontario	\$20,642,054.40
Looby Builders (Dublin) Limited	Stratford, Ontario	\$21,764,673.81
Clearwater Structures Inc.	Bowmanville, Ontario	\$21,851,675.00
Graham Bros. Construction Limited	Markham, Ontario	\$22,084,684.48

- The final date of acceptance for this tender is June 23, 2026.

The work under this contract includes the following:

- Full replacement of the Scheifele Bridge on Northfield Drive over the Conestogo River including new piers, abutments and wingwalls, increased shoulder widths to accommodate buggies and cyclists and sidewalk on the east side of the bridge.
- Demolition of the existing bridge structure.
- Reconstruction and realignment of Northfield Drive to tie into new bridge location
- Retaining wall system to reduce impacts to adjacent wetlands
- 300mm watermain extension from University Avenue to approximately 100m north of the new bridge structure
- The new structure will be constructed in phases, allowing two-way traffic to

maintained at all times

A Contingency allowance of \$2,000,000 or approximately 10% is included in the overall bid price.

6. Communication and Engagement with Area Municipalities and the Public

Area Municipalities: Township of Woolwich staff as well as local Councillors were part of the original project team that developed the recommended alternatives and provided input during the design phase of the project. The City of Waterloo has also been consulted during the design phase related to the watermain extension from University Avenue. Both the Township of Woolwich as well as the City of Waterloo have been informed of this recommendation to award and communication will continue as the project moves into the construction phase.

Public: Public consultation included three occasions where project information was posted to the Region's EngageWR website and residents were asked to provide feedback online.

Letters were delivered to applicable agencies and property owners within the Village of Conestogo and adjacent areas at various stages of the Environmental Study to provide project information and engagement opportunities. Engagement information was also included on signs at the bridge and ads in local newspapers.

In-person meetings or phone conversations were coordinated with area residents and the Mennonite community.

Letters will be delivered to adjacent properties notifying of the construction project prior to construction commencing this spring.

7. Financial Implications:

Detailed Financial Implications tables are included in Appendix A. There are sufficient funds in the Region's approved 2026-2035 Capital Program to complete the work under this contract. Note that the City of Waterloo is providing supporting administration and testing worth under \$40K from their budget for this work.

8. Conclusion / Next Steps:

Subject to Council approval, the work of this contract will begin May 4, 2026, with completion expected by November 2029.

9. Attachments:

Appendix A: Detailed Financial Implications.

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