

**Region of Waterloo**

**Corporate Services**

**Treasury Services (Procurement)**

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**To:** Regional Council

**Meeting Date:** June 21, 2023

**Report Title:** T2023-126 - 2023 Various Road and Active Transportation Improvements

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**1. Recommendation:**

That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo take the following action with respect to T2023-126 - 2023 Various Road and Active Transportation Improvements as set out in report COR-TRY-23-019 dated June 21, 2023:

- a) Accept the tender of Steed and Evans Limited for the T2023-126 - 2023 Various Road and Active Transportation Improvements in the amount of \$2,435,157.10 plus all applicable taxes;
- b) Increase the capital budget and amend the sources of financing for project # 07392 Victoria Street N., Kitchener/Woolwich Boundary to Bruce St. in the amount of \$216,000 as set out in Appendix A;
- c) Increase the capital budget and amend the sources of financing for project # 66144 Trinity Village Pedestrian Improvements in the amount of \$314,400 as set out in Appendix A;
- d) Increase the capital budget and amend the sources of financing for project # 66149 R&T Phillip Street MUP - Pad & Illumination in the amount of \$143,300 as set out in Appendix A; and
- e) Increase the capital budget and amend the sources of financing for project # 66150 Westchester Walkway in the amount of \$56,600 as set out in Appendix A.

**2. Purpose / Issue:**

Purchasing by-law 22-034 Section 9 item 3 requires Council approval for tenders in excess of \$150,000 but less than \$10,000,000 if the tender with the best overall cost that is compliant exceeds the budget for the acquisition of the goods and services and approval from Council to increase the budget is desired.

**3. Strategic Plan:**

Award of this contract meets the 2019-2023 Corporate Strategic Plan objective to improve road safety for all users and increase participation in active forms of transportation under Strategic Focus Area 2, Sustainable Transportation.

#### 4. Report Highlights:

- The following tenders were received:

Steed and Evans Limited	St. Jacobs, Ontario	\$2,435,157.10
Vista Contracting Ltd	Cambridge, Ontario	\$2,541,615.26
Capital Paving Inc	Guelph, Ontario	\$2,783,000.00
E. & E. Seegmiller Limited	Kitchener, Ontario	\$2,932,727.00

- The final date of acceptance for this tender is August 22, 2023.
- The trail was constructed in 2022. During the 2023 spring thaw two drainage issues were observed which were not apparent during construction. Both situations occurred due to the trail obstructing previous surface drainage patterns on private property. The requested budget amendment is to complete the required drainage improvements.
- An increase of \$216,000 is required to the Transportation Capital Program funded from the Roads Regional Development Charges Reserve Fund (\$212,400) and the Transportation Capital Reserve (\$3,600).
- An increase of \$514,300 is required to the Transit Capital Program funded from unutilized and unbudgeted Investing in Canada Infrastructure program (ICIP) (\$116,800) and from the Transit Capital Reserve (\$397,500)

#### 5. Background:

Tenders were called for T2023-126 - 2023 Various Road and Active Transportation Improvements and were advertised in on the Ontario Public Buyers Association website and on the Region's website. The full scope of work under this contract is described in Appendix A.

#### 6. Area Municipality Communication and Public/Stakeholder Engagement:

Staff from the City of Waterloo have been consulted throughout the planning and design of Part B - Phillip Street MUP - Pad & Illumination (Phillip Street to ION R&T Technology Station) and PART F – (RR9) Caroline Street Crossride re-lining, and have provided feedback on aspects of the projects.

Staff from the City of Kitchener Transportation division have been consulted throughout the planning and design of the work listed below and have provided feedback on aspects of these projects:

Part C - Westchester Walkway - Illumination (Westchester Drive to Lackner Blvd),

Part D - Trinity Village MUP and illumination (Connaught Ave to Trinity Village

Retirement Home)

Part I - Lackner Blvd Signalization and Pedestrian Refuge Island Removal (Lackner Boulevard at Lorraine Ave)

Staff from the City of Kitchener Transportation division have been consulted throughout the planning and design of Part G - Weber Street Crossride (Victoria Street to Wilhelm Street), and have provided feedback on aspects of the project.

## **7. Financial Implications:**

The cost of the work exceeds the budget available in the Region's approved 2023-2032 Transportation Capital Program by \$216,000. The additional costs will be funded from the Roads Regional Development Charges Reserve Fund (\$212,400) and the Transportation Capital Reserve (\$3,600).

The cost of the work exceeds the budget available in the Region's approved 2023-2032 Transit Capital Program by \$514,300. Projects 66144, 66149 and 66150 have unutilized and unbudgeted Investing in ICIP contingency funding of \$116,800 and in the absence of any other funding sources the remaining \$397,500 will be funded from the Transit Capital Reserve. Staff will continue to explore additional opportunities to fund expenditure increases through unused ICIP allocation and savings from other Transit Capital Reserve funded projects.

Detailed financial implications are set out in Appendix A.

## **8. Conclusion / Next Steps:**

Subject to Council approval, the work of this contract will begin July 2023 and be substantially complete by November 2023.

## **9. Attachments:**

Appendix A: Scope of Work Contract T2023-126

Appendix B: Detailed Financial Implications

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