

Region of Waterloo

Corporate Services

Treasury Services

To: Regional Council

Meeting Date: June 19, 2024

Report Title: T2024-152 Fischer-Hallman / Bearinger Road (Regional Road No. 58) Improvements from Columbia Street West to Westmount Road North in the City of Waterloo, Ontario

1. Recommendation

That the Regional Municipality of Waterloo accept the tender of Sierra Infrastructure for T2024-152 Fischer-Hallman / Bearinger Road (Regional Road No. 58) Improvements from Columbia Street West to Westmount Road North in the City of Waterloo, Ontario in the amount of \$11,575,000.00 plus all applicable taxes as set out in report COR-TRY-24-027 dated June 19, 2024.

2. Purpose / Issue:

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

4. Report Highlights:

- The work under this contract includes improvements to Fischer-Hallman / Bearinger Road from Columbia Street West to Westmount Road North in the City of Waterloo. This work will be completed in two stages beginning with Fischer-Hallman Road in July 2024 and Bearinger Road in May 2025. Surface paving is planned in 2026.
- There are sufficient funds in the Region's approved 2024-2033 Transportation Capital Program and the 2024-2033 Water Services Capital Program to complete the work under this contract.
- Subject to Council approval, the work of this contract is scheduled to begin in

July 2024 with completion expected by fall 2026.

5. Background:

Tenders were called for T2024-152 Fischer-Hallman / Bearinger Road (Regional Road No. 58) Improvements from Columbia Street West to Westmount Road North in the City of Waterloo, Ontario and were advertised on the Region's website. The following tenders were received:

Sierra Infrastructure Inc	Woodstock, Ontario	\$11,575,000.00
Capital Paving Inc	Guelph, Ontario	\$12,071,000.00
Steed and Evans Limited	St. Jacobs, Ontario	\$12,665,738.70
Regional Sewer and Watermain Ltd	Cambridge, Ontario	\$12,860,048.19
Network Sewer and Watermain Ltd	Cambridge, Ontario	\$13,595,558.46
Navacon Construction Inc.	St George, Ontario	\$13,649,795.80
Kieswetter Excavating Inc.	St. Clements, Ontario	\$13,735,000.00
E. & E. Seegmiller Limited	Kitchener, Ontario	\$13,824,427.00
Amico Infrastructures Inc.	Oldcastle, Ontario	\$13,826,370.70

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- Due to limited space for existing and proposed infrastructure, primarily required stormwater management improvements, Fischer-Hallman Road will be closed to northbound traffic between Gatestone Boulevard and Laurelwood Drive in July and August 2024. Temporary full access was considered, but includes additional expense and time, which would prevent Stage 1 from being completed in 2024. Local access to residential properties and businesses, and access for emergency vehicles will always be maintained. A detour will direct traffic to Columbia Street, Westmount

- Bearinger Road will be closed to traffic between May and December 2025. A detour will direct traffic to Columbia Street, Westmount Road, and Laurelwood Drive.
- Improvements include new multi-use paths along both sides of the road, transit facilities, street lighting, storm water management and watermain, as well as road widening and Bearinger Road urbanization.
- The final date of acceptance for this tender is August 22, 2024.

6. Communication and Engagement with Area Municipalities and the Public

Area Municipalities: City of Waterloo staff are on the project team and have been consulted throughout project design. Coordination with City staff will continue throughout construction.

Public: Letters will be delivered to area businesses, residents and other stakeholders prior to construction, outlining contact information and planned construction staging including planned closure dates and detour routes

There are no existing municipal active transportation facilities along Bearinger Road between Laurelwood Drive and Westmount Road North. Grand River Conservation Authority's Doreen Thomas Trail in Laurel Creek Conservation Area lands will be maintained during construction.

7. Financial Implications:

There are sufficient funds in the Region's approved 2024-2033 Transportation Capital Program and the 2024-2033 Water Services Capital Program to complete the work under this contract.

Detailed Financial Implications tables are included in Appendix A.

8. Conclusion / Next Steps:

Subject to Council approval, the work of this contract will begin July 2024, with completion expected by September 2026.

9. Attachments:

Appendix A: Detailed Financial Implications.

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