

MEETING DATE: November 28, 2001

SUBJECT: Notice Of Award Of Procurement Authorization Transit Road Retaining Walls - Structure Repairs Contract A17-14

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Commission receive the notice of award of the Chair, Commissioner Moscoe and the Chief General Manager to authorize acceptance of the tender submitted by G.C. Romano Sons (Toronto) Limited (Romano) in the amount of \$577,000.00, for Contract A17-14 – Transit Road Retaining Walls – Structure Repairs.

FUNDING

Sufficient funds for this expenditure are included in project 3.4 Bridges and Tunnels (as set out on pages 539 to 558 of the State of Good Repairs/Safety Category) of the TTC 2001-2005 Capital Program, which was approved by City Council on April 30, 2001.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting of October 20, 1999, the Commission approved the revisions and updates to the Authorization for Expenditures Policy/Instruction, which states that *"The Commission delegates authority to the Chair, Vice-Chair and Chief General Manager to authorize items on an interim basis that would normally be authorized by the Commission when the approval is required before the next Commission meeting. The interim authorization is to be followed up by a notice of award Commission report that is to be submitted to the next scheduled meeting."*

The Transit Road retaining walls were constructed in the mid 1970's. There are two walls, one on each side of Transit Road that retain the adjacent earth where Transit Road passes under the Spadina Subway line at the Wilson Yard Complex. In the early 1990's the top of the west retaining wall exhibited a significant movement and required repair.

Phase I repairs were completed in 1996 to repair the most critical portion of the west wall (approximately 15 metres). Further investigations have determined that approximately 275 metres of walls have to be fully drained, strengthened and protected from frost action to prevent further movement.

DISCUSSION

In general, the work consists of the supply of labour, equipment and products to complete the rehabilitation of 275 metres of walls at Transit Road to restore their structural integrity.

The work includes new drainage systems, partial replacement of existing backfill with expanded Styrofoam, wall strengthening with cast in place concrete blocks, and frost protection insulation.

Tender documents were prepared for Contract A17-14, Transit Road Retaining Walls – Structure Repairs and a Request for Tenders was publicly advertised in the Daily Commercial News on September 13, 2001. Nineteen companies requested copies of tender documents out of which nine submitted tenders as summarized in Appendix ‘A’.

The lowest tender was received from Romano in the amount of \$577,000.00 and included no exceptions or qualifications to the tender documents. Romano has satisfactorily completed work of a similar size and nature for the Commission in the past. They are considered commercially and technically acceptable.

Based on a review of the contractor’s financial statements, it appears they have the financial capability to perform this contract.

Ross Clair/Division of R.O.M. Contractors Inc. submitted the second lowest priced tender and also did not state any exceptions or qualifications and are considered commercially and technically compliant.

Struct-Con Construction Limited (Struct-Con) submitted the third lowest tender and also did not state any exception or qualifications. However, due to the difference in price their tender was not evaluated further.

JUSTIFICATION

The tender submitted by Romano is the lowest priced compliant tender.

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Attachment

APPENDIX 'A'

TRANSIT ROAD RETAINING WALLS -

STRUCTURE REPAIRS

CONTRACT A17-14

TENDERS RECEIVED

COMPANY	BASE TENDER
G.C. Romano Sons (Toronto) Limited	\$577,000.00
Ross Clair/Division R.O.M. Contractors Inc.	\$617,990.90
Struct-Con Construction Limited	\$630,000.00
Jelco Construction	\$662,669.77
Anskon Contracting Inc.	\$668,355.00
Bob Hendricksen Construction	\$787,727.77
Bridgecon Construction Ltd.	\$829,106.00
Grenwitch General Cont.	\$898,635.00
Land Construction Co. Ltd.	\$948,800.00
Engineer's Estimate	\$850,000.00

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