

MEETING DATE: January 24, 2003

SUBJECT: Procurement Authorization Key Station Accessibility Main Street Station Contract E45-2

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Commission authorize the acceptance of the tender submitted by Ross Clair/Division of R.O.M. Contractors Inc. (Ross Clair) in the amount of \$3,328,000.00 for Contract E45-2, Key Station Accessibility – Main Street Station.

FUNDING

Sufficient funds are included in Program 3.9 – Buildings and Structures – Easier Access Phase II, Key Station Accessibility (as set out on pages 585-590, Legislative Category), of the TTC 2003-2007 Capital Program which was approved by the Commission on November 15, 2002.

BACKGROUND

As part of the "Choices for the Future" strategy endorsed by Metro Toronto Council in March 1990, the Commission initiated the Easier Access Phase II - Key Station Accessibility Project to make twenty-three (23) subway and RT stations fully accessible to persons with disabilities. The project includes modifications to these existing subway and RT stations to allow for the addition of elevators, easier access fare gates and automatic sliding doors.

Fourteen (14) stations have already been made accessible including Davisville, Queen's Park and Dundas West Stations, which were completed in 2002. It is anticipated that construction at Dundas Station will be complete in early 2003.

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DISCUSSION

Contract E45-2, Key Station Accessibility – Main Street Station, provides for all the work related to the supply and installation of two (2) elevators and other associated equipment to make the station accessible.

Specifications and drawings were prepared for Contract E45-2 and a Request for Tenders was posted on the TTC Web site as of October 23, 2002, and advertised in the Daily Commercial News on October 23, 2002. Twenty-four (24) companies requested copies of the Tender documents out of which six (6) submitted tenders as summarized in Appendix A.

Ross Clair/Division of R.O.M. Contractors Inc. (Ross Clair) submitted the lowest priced tender and did not state any exceptions or qualifications. Ross Clair have previously completed several contracts for the Commission, however, none quite this size and type. As such, reference checks were completed which indicate that they have satisfactorily performed work of a similar size and nature within the past five years. Ross Clair did not offer any alternatives for consideration. Based on a review of the contractor's financial statements, it appears they have the financial capability to perform this contract. Their tender is considered acceptable.

Struct-Con Construction Ltd (Struct-Con) submitted the second lowest priced tender, however, they offered an alternative to utilize United Everest Elevator in lieu of one of the seven named companies in the Specification for a proposed reduction of \$100,000.00. After reviewing the alternative, staff concluded that it is not acceptable. Struct-Con did not state any exceptions or qualifications and they have previously completed work of a similar size and nature for the Commission within the past five years. Their base tender is considered acceptable.

Grascan Construction Ltd. submitted the third lowest priced tender and also did not state any exceptions or qualifications, nor offer any alternatives for consideration. Their tender is considered acceptable.

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JUSTIFICATION

The tender submitted by Ross Clair/Division of R.O.M. Contractors Inc. is the lowest priced compliant tender.

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APPENDIX A

Key Station Accessibility

Main Street Station

Contract E45-2

SUMMARY OF TENDERS

COMPANY	TENDERED PRICE
1. Ross Clair/Division of R.O.M. Contractors Inc.	\$ 3,328,000.00
2. Struct-Con Construction Ltd.	\$ 3,400,000.00
3. Grascan Construction Ltd.	\$ 3,687,000.00
4. Steelcase Construction Inc.	\$4,360,000.00
5. Torcom Construction Inc.	\$4,990,000.00
6. Consolidated Canadian Contractors	\$5,113,000.00
Engineer's Estimate	\$4,700,000.00