MEETING DATE: June 18, 2003

SUBJECT: Procurement Authorization Key Station Accessibility Jane Station Contract W45-1

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 \$2,964,000.00 for Contract W45-1, Key Station Accessibility – Jane 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 City Council on February 26, 2003.

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.

Fifteen (15) stations have already been made accessible including Davisville, Queen's Park, Dundas West and Dundas Stations, which were completed in 2002. Two other stations, Main Street and Eglinton, are under construction with expected completion in 2005. It is expected that Jane Station will be completed by end of 2005.

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DISCUSSION

Contract W45-1, Key Station Accessibility – Jane Station, provides for all the work related to the supply and installation of three (3) elevators and other associated equipment to make the station accessible as shown in Appendix B.

Specifications and drawings were prepared for Contract W45-1 and a Request for Tenders was posted on TTC's web site as of March 21, 2003. Twenty-five (25) companies requested copies of the Tender documents out of which eight (8) submitted a tender as summarized in Appendix A.

The tendered price submitted by Steelcase Construction Inc. was unable to be determined because the written portion of their offer indicates a different amount from the numerical portion of their offer. Staff concluded that this is an obvious error on the face of the tender. As such, their tender is not considered acceptable.

The tendered price submitted by Cloke-Kirby Construction Limited was unable to be determined because the written portion of their offer indicates a different amount from the numerical portion of their offer. Furthermore, there are two different numerical amounts in their offer. Staff concluded that this is an obvious error on the face of the tender. As such, their tender is not considered acceptable.

Ross Clair submitted the lowest priced tender and did not state any exceptions or qualifications. They also did not offer any alternatives for consideration. Ross Clair have completed numerous contracts for the Commission and are currently working on Contract E45-2, Key Station Accessibility – Main Street Station. During the evaluation of Contract E45-2, reference checks were completed that indicate that Ross Clair have satisfactorily completed work of a similar size and nature within the past five years. The Agreement to Bond submitted by the Contractor covers both a Labour and Material Payment Bond and a Performance Bond. The Surety Company noted on the tender is licensed to transact business under the Insurance Act of Ontario. Their tender is considered acceptable.

United Shelters Limited t/a Lisgar Construction Company submitted the second lowest priced tender and also did not state any exceptions or qualifications. They did not offer any alternatives for consideration. Their tender is considered acceptable.

Struct-Con Construction Limited submitted the third lowest priced tender and also did not state any exceptions or qualifications. They did not offer any alternatives for consideration. Their tender is considered acceptable.

The other tenders submitted were not evaluated further due to the difference in price.

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JUSTIFICATION

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

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Attachment – Appendices A and B

APPENDIX A

Key Station Accessibility

Jane Station

Contract W45-1

SUMMARY OF TENDERS

COMPANY	TENDERED PRICE
1. Steelcase Construction Inc.	Undetermined
2. Cloke-Kirby Construction	Undetermined
3. Ross Clair/Division of R.O.M. Contractors Inc.	\$ 2,964,000.00
4. United Shelters Ltd., t/a Lisgar Construction Company	\$3,124,405.00
5. Struct-Con Construction Ltd.	\$3,188,000.00
6. Consolidated Canadian Contractors	\$3,327,000.00

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7. Granite Peak Developments Inc.	\$3,878,000.00
8. Torcom Construction Inc.	\$3,960,000.00
Engineer's Estimate	\$3,850,000.00