

TORONTO TRANSIT COMMISSION REPORT NO.

MEETING DATE: May 28, 2009

SUBJECT: PROJECT AUTHORITY –
CHURCH STREET: CARLTON STREET TO KING STREET
(SURFACE TRACK REPLACEMENT)

ACTION ITEM

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Commission authorize the issuance of a purchase order in the amount of \$3,800,000 to the City of Toronto – Transportation Services, to cover the Commission's costs associated with contract 09TE-04RD, for the surface track rehabilitation on Church Street from Carlton Street to King Street including Queen at Church and Adelaide at Church.

FUNDING

This work was originally budgeted at a cost of \$2,400,000. The additional expenditure of \$1,400,000 work can be accommodated within 1.2 Surface Track, as set out on pages 99 to 102, of the TTC 2009-2013 Capital Program, approved by City Council on December 10, 2008, as a result of project deferrals.

BACKGROUND

The City of Toronto in conjunction with the Commission is undertaking the rehabilitation of Church Street from Carlton Street to King Street including the surface track, portions of the road, sidewalk, watermain and service replacement.

DISCUSSION

The Commission utilises the City's ability to deliver on large civil construction projects to complete its surface track program. The costs for the various aspects of this work are apportioned in the tender and detailed in the scope of work. For the project on Church Street between Carlton Street and King Street, the trackwork portion of this work was budgeted at \$2,400,000 and was in line with the engineer's estimate prepared by the City of Toronto prior to issuance of the tender. Upon closure of this public tender the price for the Commission's portion of the work was approximately \$1,400,000 higher than expected.

JUSTIFICATION

Staff from the Track & Structure Department have analyzed and discussed this with the City of Toronto's engineer and concur with their findings. The tender was conducted through the City's public process analysis of the bids by the City's Procurement Department and found no irregularities. Given the need to rehabilitate the civil infrastructure on Church Street in a timely and coordinated manner, TTC staff recommends this request be granted; failure to do so will result in a delay of this construction jeopardizing the program commitment in 2009 thereby impacting the safe operation of streetcar vehicles and will likely incur higher construction costs later on.

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