

To: Members of the General Committee

From: W.H. Jackson, Director of Utility Services

Meeting Date: March 26, 2018

Subject: Report USEC18-010

Increase in Scope of Work and Amendment of Agreement for

Tender T-01-17 – George Street Improvements

Purpose

A report to recommend an amendment to the agreement for Tender T-01-17 for George Street Improvements. The amendment would be for an increase in the scope of work to resurface George Street North from Lake Street to Townsend Street. The amendment will include allowances for structure adjustments, grinding and paving in advance of placing final pavement markings.

Recommendation

That Council approve the recommendation outlined in Report USEC18-010 dated March 26, 2018, of the Director of Utility Services, as follows:

That an amendment to the agreement for T-01-17 for the George Street Improvements, awarded to Coco Paving Inc., 2317 Television Road, Peterborough, ON, K9J 7H5 be approved and the contract amount increased by \$205,000 from \$1,982,201.17 to \$2,187,201.17 plus HST of \$284,336.15 for a total cost of \$2,471,537.32.

Budget and Financial Implications

The total net additional requirement of \$208,608.00, after applicable HST rebates, can be accommodated within the uncommitted approved 2018 Capital Budget ("Various Road Resurfacing" Item 5-3.02) for Tender T-01-17.

Background

Brief Description of the Work

Council, at its meeting of July 31, 2017 in considering Report USEC17-019 awarded T-01-17 for the Improvements of George Street from Lake Street to Hunter Street and Water Street from Sherbrooke Street to Hunter Street to Coco Paving Inc. for \$1,982,201.17 plus HST.

Report USEC17-019 explained that an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the project was completed in 2015. The study looked at options to improve walking, cycling and driving while also improving the ambiance, recognizing this is the southern gateway to the downtown.

The original concepts approved by Council as part of the EA included cycling lanes, left turn lanes, traffic signals at Dalhousie Street, a landscaped median and two pedestrian refuge islands. It also included new cycling lanes on George Street and Water Street between Hunter Street and Sherbrooke Street while maintaining parking on both sides of the street. George Street north of Townsend Street is to be repaved because of the extensive work involved in developing the landscaped median and refuge islands.

When the detailed design was completed in 2017 additional elements were included such as traffic signal upgrades, additional tree planting, pedestrian friendly pavement markings, a sidewalk on Dalhousie Street, pedestrian countdown signals, transit stop improvements and a new pedestrian crossover installed on Water Street just north of the intersection of Sherbrooke Street. Funds from existing budgets were used to fund these additional items.

One extra change to the agreement that is now being proposed is the repaving of George Street from Lake Street to Townsend Street. Originally this section of road was not proposed to be repaved but new condition rating information has indicated that the optimal time to repave this section of George Street is either 2018 or 2019. Inasmuch as the George Street Improvement project includes this section of George Street, and given the extensive amount of pavement markings that will go into this project (lane lines, bicycle lanes, symbols), staff believe the resurfacing should be done in advance of placing the pavement markings.

This potential adjustment to the T-01-17 work was discussed with Coco Paving Inc. and they agreed to perform the additional work under the existing 2017 contract unit prices. The 2018 repaving prices have risen from 2017 as evidenced by a recent closing of a tender for the repaving of City roads and, accordingly, the City is receiving good value for this extra work.

Authority to Amend the Agreement

Section 17.4.1 of City Purchasing By-law 14-127, states that no amendment to an Agreement shall be made unless the amendment, in the opinion of the Director of Corporate Services or the City Solicitor, is in the best interest of the City.

This proposed amendment was discussed with the Director of Corporate Services prior to any discussion with the Contractor and it was agreed that it was in the best interest of the City to talk to the Contractor.

Section 17.4.6 of City Purchasing By-law 14-127, states that where the original award was approved by Council, additional Council approval is required for expenditures that exceed the original price by more than 10 percent or \$100,000.

The amount of the amendment is greater than \$100,000 and, accordingly, Council approval is required.

Timelines

If the recommendation is approved, the contract agreement and purchase order will be amended to reflect the revised amount to extend resurfacing limits along George Street North from Lake Street to Townsend Street prior to commencement of the work.

The Contractor is tentatively scheduled to commence the extension of resurfacing along George Street in May, 2018. It is anticipated that all work within T-01-17 will be completed by the end of August, 2018.

Summary

It is proposed to amend the agreement for Tender T-01-17 for George Street Improvements. It is deemed to be in the City's best interest and in accordance with the City's Purchasing By-law 14-127 as described in this report.

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