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# Report 2024-061

Report Title:	RFQ 24-09 - 2024 Paving of Various County Roads Award	
Committee Name:	Public Works	
Committee Meeting Date: April 29, 2024		
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Council Meeting Date:	May 15, 2024	
Strategic Plan Priorities:	<ul> <li>Innovate for Service Excellence</li> <li>Ignite Economic Opportunity</li> <li>Foster a Thriving Community</li> <li>Propel Sustainable Growth</li> <li>Champion a Vibrant Future</li> </ul>	

#### Recommendation

"**That** the Public Works Committee, having considered report 2024-061 'RFQ 24-09 - 2024 Paving of Various County Roads Award', recommend that County Council award RFQ 24-09 (2024 Paving of Various County Roads) to Drain Bros. Excavating Limited in the amount of \$2,789,075.73 (inclusive of provisional items and non-recoverable HST); and

**Further That** the Public Works Committee recommend that County Council approve any savings realized at project completion relative to the estimated total project cost of

\$3,119,075.73 be transferred back into the Public Works Capital Reserve to be used towards financing other 2024 programs or future years capital works projects."

## Purpose

The purpose of this report is to seek approval to award RFQ 24-09 (2024 Paving of Various County Roads) to Drain Bros. Excavating Limited.

# Background

A tender prepared by County staff was issued to retain a construction firm with relevant experience to enter into a contractual arrangement to complete the work for the 2024 Paving of Various County Roads (RFQ 24-09).

Under this contract, the Contractor will provide all labour, equipment, materials, and supervision necessary to complete paving and associated work at the proposed locations. The Contractor will also be performing line painting and replacement of select cross culverts and safety devices within the construction limits.

Four (4) bids were received for RFQ 24-09 (2024 Paving of Various County Roads), with the bid from Drain Bros. Excavating Limited being the lowest bid meeting all specifications.

As outlined below, funds in the amount of \$3,700,000 are available under the 2024 Transportation Pavement Rehabilitation capital budget for rehabilitating 3.0 km of County Road 15 and 3.7 km of County Road 41.

Staff report that the Contractor who submitted the low bid has given reason to believe that they do have sufficient staff experience in road rehabilitation work to complete a project of this magnitude.

## Consultations

N/A

# Legislative Authority / Risk Considerations

The contractor will be required to follow the Ontario Traffic Manual (Book 7) for working in traffic.

The Contractor will be required to follow the Ontario Health and Safety Act including WHIMS Reg. 860.

The Contractor will be required to follow the Ontario Environmental Protection Act including O. Reg. 406/19: On-site and Excess Soil Management.

The Contactor is required to follow the Ministry's in-water working window which restricts inwater activity between October 1st and June 30th.

# **Discussion / Options**

Four (4) electronic bids were received by the submission deadline. The bids have been checked and verified for accuracy with no discrepancies to report.

Four (4) bids were received as follows:

Company/Bidder	Company/Bidder Location	Bid Results (incl. non- recoverable portion of HST and provisional items)	Difference from the Low Bidder
Drain Bros. Excavating Limited	Douro-Dummer, ON	\$2,789,075.73	\$0.00
IPAC Paving Limited	Richmond Hill, ON	\$3,092,355.28	\$303,279.55
GIP Paving Inc.	Kingston, ON	\$3,649,510.46	\$860,434.73
G. Williams Paving Inc.	Kingston, ON	\$4,664,645.33	\$1,875,569.60

## Financial Impact

A total of \$8,800,000.00 was approved by County Council for the Pavement Rehabilitation and Maintenance budget under the Transportation portion of the 2024 budget. \$3,700,000 of this total budgeted amount was allocated for rehabilitation of the following areas, which are included in RFQ 24-09 (2024 Paving of Various County Roads):

- County Road 15 County Road 9 to County Road 18 (Hamilton, 3.0 km);
- County Road 41 County Road 30 to County Road 26 (Brighton, 3.7 km);
- Entrance to the Bewdley Community Recycling Centre (Hamilton); and
- Miscellaneous Asphalt Padding.

The balance of the 2024 Pavement Rehabilitation and Maintenance budget is allocated towards:

- Rehabilitating 4.90 km of County Road 64 (in partnership with the Municipality of Brighton);
- Design work for upgrades to County Road 22 and County Road 25 in Castleton;
- Various maintenance and pavement preservation works (e.g. crack sealing and microsurfacing); and
- Detailed design and preliminary construction works for improvements to the Welcome Intersection

The total estimated cost for the Transportation component of RFQ 24-09 (2024 Paving of Various County Roads), including provisional items, contingency, as well as the non-recoverable portion of the HST is \$3,119,075.73, which is below the total amount of approved budget.

A breakdown of the estimated total cost is shown below:

2024 Total Project Budget	\$3,700,000.00
Low Bid Amount Including Provisionals: Non-recoverable HST (1.76%)	\$2,740,837.00 \$ 48,238.73
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Estimated Total Construction Cost (Including non-recoverable HST)	 \$2,789,075.73
Contingency & Administration: Contingency (10%) Contract Administration	\$  280,000.00 \$   50,000.00
Total Contingency & Administration:	\$ 330,000.00
Estimated Total Project Cost	\$3,119,075.73
Total Savings/Surplus	\$ 580,924.27

It is recommended that the savings/surplus in the amount of \$580,924.27 remain in the Transportation budget to assist with financing other 2024 capital works projects.

It is also recommended that any savings realized at project completion relative to the estimated Total Project Cost be transferred back into the Public Works Capital Reserve to be used towards financing other 2024 programs or future years capital works projects.

This report has been reviewed by the Finance Department.

#### Member Municipality Impacts

One lane of traffic will remain open throughout the duration of all road rehabilitation works.

#### **Conclusion / Outcomes**

Staff recommend that County Council award RFQ 24-09 (2024 Paving of Various County Roads) to Drain Bros. Excavating Limited, all in accordance with their bid, dated March 19, 2024, in the amount of \$2,789,075.73 (inclusive of provisional items and non-recoverable HST).

#### Attachments

N/A