# Section I – Items for Board of Directors Action

- TO: Chair and Members of the Board of Directors Friday, April 28, 2023 Meeting
- **FROM:** Richard Ubbens, Director, Conservation Parks and Lands
- RE: REQUEST FOR TENDERS FOR CONSERVATION PARKS AND LANDS ASPHALT RESURFACING IMPROVEMENTS Request for Tenders (RFT) No. 10038154, 10038155, 10038156

#### KEY ISSUE

Award of Contracts No. 10038154,10038155,10038156 for asphalt resurfacing of various roadways and parking lots within Heart Lake Conservation Park, Indian Line Campground, and Boyd Conservation Park.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

WHEREAS Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) is engaged in a project that requires contract services for asphalt resurfacing works;

AND WHEREAS TRCA solicited tenders through a publicly advertised process;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT RFT No.10038154 for Heart Lake Conservation Park Asphalt Resurfacing be awarded to Melrose Paving Co. Ltd. at a total cost not to exceed \$564,881, plus applicable taxes, to be expended as authorized by TRCA staff;

THAT TRCA staff be authorized to approve additional expenditures to a maximum of \$84,732 (approximately 15% of the project cost), plus applicable taxes, in excess of the contract cost as a contingency allowance if deemed necessary;

THAT RFT No.10038155 for Indian Line Campground Asphalt Resurfacing be awarded to Ashland Construction Group at a total cost not to exceed \$641,830, plus applicable taxes, to be expended as authorized by TRCA staff;

THAT TRCA staff be authorized to approve additional expenditures to a maximum of \$96,274 (approximately 15% of the project cost), plus applicable taxes, in excess of the contract cost as a contingency allowance if deemed necessary;

THAT RFT No.10038156 for Boyd Conservation Area Asphalt Resurfacing be awarded to Ashland Construction Group at a total cost not to exceed \$1,221,958, plus applicable taxes, to be expended as authorized by TRCA staff;

THAT TRCA staff be authorized to approve additional expenditures to a maximum of \$122,196 (approximately 10% of the project cost), plus applicable taxes, in excess of the contract cost as a contingency allowance if deemed necessary;

THAT should TRCA staff be unable to negotiate a contract with the abovementioned proponent, staff be authorized to enter into and conclude contract negotiations with other Proponents that submitted quotations, beginning with the next lowest bid meeting TRCA specifications;

AND FURTHER THAT authorized TRCA officials be directed to take whatever action may be required to implement the contract, including the obtaining of necessary approvals and the signing and execution of any documents.

## BACKGROUND

As part of TRCA's Asset Management Program, Facility Condition Assessments (FCA) were completed for various properties to inventory existing assets and identify the repair, maintenance, and renewal of various infrastructure components. One such component was segments of roadways and parking lots within TRCA's Conservation Parks that were visually inspected and given a condition rating based on the severity of disrepair. This included a 10-year life cycle replacement that highlighted the estimated costs and planned year to implement the recommended actions.

The majority of road and parking infrastructure within Conservation Parks was originally constructed approximately 40 to 50 years ago. Usership and increased amenities have grown significantly within those years. Given these combined factors, through inspection, the roadways and parking lots were found to be in fair to poor condition at Heart Lake Conservation Park, Indian Line Campground, and Boyd Conservation Area. The areas requiring asphalt resurfacing were given additional priority based on health and safety concerns for park users and TRCA's park operations staff. As part of the repaving efforts, many of the asphalt surfaces will be pulverized, re-graded and compacted before new asphalt will be placed to reduce both costs and the waste diversion.

As part of TRCA's Asset Management Strategy, extending the life of TRCA's asphalt surfaces within its Conservation Parks will improve safety and experience for park users. It will also address operational concerns such as meeting current road design specifications and ensuring emergency vehicles are able to access all areas of the park. Due to Conservation Park's programming and events, the implementation of asphalt resurfacing works will be completed around events and outside of the identified busy weekends to minimize disruptions. All areas of construction will be sectioned off with appropriate signage to ensure safety and alert park users of the construction activities.

## RATIONALE

## Heart Lake Conservation Park RFT #10038154

RFT was advertised on Biddingo.com and a mandatory meeting and site meeting was held on March 23,2023. The RFT closed on March 30,2023.

The Procurement Opening Committee opened the Tenders on March 30, 2023, with the following results:

Bidders	Total (Plus HST)
Melrose Paving Co. Ltd.	\$564,881
Ashland Construction Group	\$586,692
Diamond Earthworks Corporation	\$598,238
C.Valley Paving Ltd.	\$600,096
Pacific Paving Ltd.	\$605,267
Bond Paving and Construction Inc.	\$606,988

Staff reviewed the bid received from Melrose Paving Co. Ltd. against its own cost estimate and has determined that the bid is of reasonable value and meets the requirements as outlined in the RFT documents. Therefore, it is recommended that contract No.10038154 be awarded to Melrose Paving Co. Ltd. at a total cost not to exceed \$564,881, plus 15% contingency, plus applicable taxes, it being the lowest bid meeting TRCA's specifications.

## **INDIAN LINE CAMPGROUND RFT #10038155**

RFT was advertised on *Biddingo.com* and a mandatory meeting and site meeting was held on March 23,2023. The RFT closed on March 30, 2023.

The Procurement Opening Committee opened the Tenders on March 30, 2023 with the following results:

Bidders	Total (Plus HST)
Ashland Construction Group	\$641,830
Diamond Earthworks Corporation	\$655,768
Bond Paving and Construction Inc.	\$671,369
Melrose Paving Co. Ltd.	\$706,445
Pacific Paving Ltd.	\$794,076

Staff reviewed the bid received from Ashland Construction Group against its own cost estimate and has determined that the bid is of reasonable value and meets the requirements as outlined in the RFT documents. Therefore, it is recommended that contract No.10038155 be awarded to Ashland Construction Group at a total cost not to exceed \$641,830, plus 15% contingency, plus applicable taxes, it being the lowest bid meeting TRCA's specifications.

## **BOYD CONSERVATION AREA RFT #10038156**

RFT was advertised on Biddingo.com and a mandatory meeting and site meeting was held on March 23, 2023. The RFT closed on March 30, 2023.

The Procurement Opening Committee opened the Tenders on March 30, 2023 with the following results:

Bidders	Total (Plus HST)
Ashland Construction Group	\$1,221,958
C. Valley Paving Ltd.	\$1,230,023
Melrose Paving Co. Ltd.	\$1,396,577
Pacific Paving Limited	\$1,794,640

Staff reviewed the bid received from Ashland Construction Group against its own cost estimate and has determined that the bid is of reasonable value and meets the requirements as outlined in the RFT documents. Therefore, it is recommended that contract No.10038156 be awarded to Ashland Construction Group at a total cost not to exceed \$1,221,958, plus 10% contingency, plus applicable taxes, it being the lowest bid meeting TRCA's specifications.

## Relationship to TRCA's 2022-2034 Strategic Plan

This report supports the following Pillar and Outcome set forth in TRCA's 2023-2034 Strategic Plan:

## **Pillar 3 Community Prosperity:**

3.1 Connect communities to nature and greenspace

## **FINANCIAL DETAILS**

Funding for the Indian Line Campground are identified in Peel Asset Management account 006-62. Heart Lake Conservation Park account 334-07 and Boyd Conservation Park 311-07 are part of grant funding from the Canadian Community Revitalization Fund (CCRF) and Reserve funding.

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