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**Subject**: Tender Award – 2023 Rural Roads Program (No.102EN3003) **Report to:** Thorold City Council

## Recommendations

- 1. That Request for Tender NO. 102EN3003, respecting the 2023 Rural Roads Program contract, **BE AWARDED** to Walker Construction Limited, at a contract price of \$345,000.00, including contingency and excluding HST; and,
- 2. That funding in the amount of \$1,100 from the Capital Asset Transportation Reserve **BE APPROVED**; and,
- 3. That the Mayor and City Clerk **BE AUTHORIZED** to execute the necessary agreements/contracts.

# Key Facts

- Council approved the 2023 Rural Roads in the 2023 Capital Projects Budget.
- City Staff identified three rural roads as highest priority.
- City Staff requested and received a tender with two (2) construction companies submitting their proposals.

## **Budgetary Status**

Funding in the amount of \$350,000 was approved in the 2023 Capital Budget for the 2023 Rural Roads Program. The addition of 1.76% non rebateable HST to the \$345,000.00 tendered amount will result in a budget overage. \$1,100 from the Capital Asset Transportation Reserve is recommended to fund the difference.

## Analysis

Staff routinely perform inspections of all roads in the City to ensure effective function. Using this inspection information a numeric rating is developed for the quality of each

road known as a Pavement Condition Index (PCI). This index helps Staff prioritize roads and direct maintenance for the road system.

Staff identified the following rural roads as highest priority:

Rank	Road	From	То	PCI Value
1.	Wiley Road	Cataract Road	Dead End	31
2.	Eller Road	Cataract Road	Dead End	32
3.	Turner Road	Turning Basin (180m West of Kottmeier Road)	Dead End (1.2km East of Kottmeier Road)	59

Staff posted a Request for Tender in accordance with the City's Procurement Policy, closing on March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Two (2) firms submitted their proposals which were reviewed. The results are summarized as follows:

Rank	Contractor	Tender Price
1.	Walker Construction Limited	\$345,000.00*
2.	Circle P Paving Inc.	\$454,644.00

The submissions were reviewed for errors and omissions and staff can confirm that they are both qualified bidders.

Staff are recommending the tender award to Walker Construction Limited at a contract price of \$345,000.00, including contingency and excluding HST. Staff will closely monitor the scope of work to limit the use of the contingency to eliminate the need to use Capital Asset Transportation Reserve.

The estimated completion date for this project is September 2023.

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#### **Alternatives Reviewed**

None

#### **Relationship to Strategic Plan**

• Responsible Growth and Infrastructure Planning

#### **Other Pertinent Reports**

• Appendix 1 - Rural Road Locations

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