

AMHERST TOWN COUNCIL RFD# 2023053

Date: April 24, 2023

TO: Mayor Kogon and Members of Council

SUBMITTED BY: Aaron Bourgeois, Director of Operations

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SUBJECT: Capital Paving Tender RFT-23-14

ORIGIN: 2023/24 Capital Budget.

LEGISLATIVE AUTHORITY: 31700-01 Procurement Policy

RECOMMENDATION: That Council award the Capital Paving Tender (RFT-23-14) to the lowest compliant bidder, Costin Paving and Contracting Ltd., at their unit prices based on our estimated quantities in the total amount of \$779,850 plus HST.

BACKGROUND: A tender for the capital paving program was issued with a closing date of March 29, 2023. The following two bids were received (plus non-refundable taxes):

Cumberland Paving (Miller) \$891,500
Costin Paving and Contracting (Dexter) \$779,850

<u>DISCUSSION</u>: The capital paving program for the 2023/24 fiscal year was approved by Council in the Capital Budget. Award of the tender at this time will allow for timely completion of the work.

<u>FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS</u>: The approved 2023/24 capital budget includes \$774,000 (non-recoverable taxes included) for asphalt paving of streets. The cost of the proposed work including non-refundable taxes is \$813,274.37. Based on the estimated quantities the tendered amount is \$39,274.37 more than the approved budget. However, the final project cost is determined by the actual quantities of material used and not expected to exceed the approved budget.

<u>COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT</u>: The Town issued a tender as per our Procurement Policy. A media release will be issued pending Council approval. Hand delivered notices will be delivered to all affected residents and businesses prior to the start of construction.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS: There are no direct environmental implications to the award of this contract. The repaving of streets with asphalt will generate greenhouse gas emissions; however, there is little alternative if our street infrastructure is to be maintained.



The approximately 500 tonnes of asphalt that will be removed through the cold milling process on Church Street and Academy Street can be used in our asphalt recycler for patching potholes or used in future projects such as trail construction.

SOCIAL JUSTICE IMPLICATIONS: There are no social justice implications to the award of this contract.

<u>ALTERNATIVES:</u> As all bidders were compliant with the tendering process, Council has no alternative to awarding the contract to the low bidder, unless the project were to be cancelled altogether.

ATTACHMENTS: None

Report prepared by: Aaron Bourgeois, Director of Operations Report and Financial approved by: