

TORONTO TRANSIT COMMISSION REPORT NO.

MEETING DATE: May 21, 2008

SUBJECT: PURCHASE AUTHORIZATION AMENDMENT –
ST. CLAIR AVENUE WEST
ENGINEERING/URBAN DESIGN

ACTION ITEM: X **INFORMATION ITEM:**

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that:

- 1) The Commission approve the issuance of a purchase authorization amendment, in the amount of \$400,000.00, to MMM Group Limited, bringing the revised upset limit amount to \$1,400,000.00 and extend the completion date of the contract from December 31, 2008 to December 31, 2009, for urban design and engineering services related to the St. Clair Avenue West Transit Improvements Project.
- 2) This report be forwarded to the City of Toronto for information.

FUNDING

Funding is included under Project 1.2 Surface Track, Reserved Transit Lanes on St. Clair Avenue, as set out on pages 103 to 105 in the "Improvement" Category of the 2008-2012 Capital Program, approved by the City of Toronto Council on December 11, 2007. Although this amendment was not budgeted, this shortfall can be accommodated in 2008 as result of project deferrals and will be addressed in the next 2009-2013 Capital Program submission.

BACKGROUND

On February 9, 2005, the Commission received notice of the award of the Chair and Vice-Chair and the Chief General Manager to authorize the award of a contract to Marshall Macklin Monaghan Ltd., subsequently name changed to MMM Group Limited, in the upset limit amount of \$500,000.00 to provide engineering and urban design services on a work assignment basis for the St. Clair Avenue West Transit Improvements Project. Given the need to expedite the project, this initial amount was requested to begin work on the first phase of the project. The services provided by MMM Group Limited and its subcontractors, included civil and structural design work, urban and streetscape design, preparation of contract drawings and specifications, as well as work on public art and attendance at public meetings. Subsequently on October 25, 2006 the Commission approved an amendment in the amount of \$500,000 to extend the completion date from December 1, 2006 to December 31, 2008.

Purchase Order details are as follows:

Original Purchase Order	\$ 500,000.00
Approved Purchase Order Amendments to date	\$ 500,000.00
Amount of this Amendment	\$ 400,000.00
Revised Purchase Order Amount	\$1,400,000.00

Work on this amendment is approximately 10% complete.

DISCUSSION

Since the original award of this assignment in January 2005 and subsequent amendment in October 2006, there have been some specific scope changes, an omission in the original work plan/contract amendment was discovered and the timing and coordination of some aspects of the work that could not have been envisioned at the contract's inception have resulted in staff and cost changes. These changes have resulted in the purchase order amount being insufficient.

With respect to the scope changes, there were a number of contract items requiring redesign; the addition of four platforms at three locations along the line (Northcliffe Boulevard, Glenholme Avenue, Wychwood Avenue), the redesign of two intersections (Dufferin Street and Wychwood Avenue), increased design and coordination work on special sites (Oakwood Collegiate, Amsterdam Park, Lansdowne Loop), on-going public consultation required by the Ministry of the Environment (Transit Community Liaison Committee [TCLC]) and City Council (Community Design Consultation Group [CDCG], Public Art Consultation Group [PACG] and other public meetings). Finally, the St. Clair public art program, plaque project and an increased focus on the City's tree planting initiative have required significant coordination and design resources to coordinate and implement.

During the approval of the previous work plan, there was an omission by staff and the consultant to include the cost of the work previously committed to. This resulted in the original purchase order amendment that was requested being insufficient.

Finally, due to the additional lengthy coordination of watermain and water service work with Toronto Water, delays as a result of redesign and Toronto Hydro undergrounding, the duration of the services provided by MMM Group Limited required under this contract have increased. During this time, there have been staff changes and one individual change to the title with the appropriate change in rate. However, overall the Consultant agreed on maintaining the hourly rates for the duration of the extension.

Under Purchase Order Number C31PC05703, MMM Group Limited has undertaken civil, structural and urban design activities for the St. Clair Avenue West Transit Improvements Project. Work continues to progress in on-going assignments.

In order to complete the St. Clair Avenue West Transit Improvements Project, an increase in the upset limit and an extension of the completion to December 31, 2009 is required to complete the design assignments, provide support during tendering and construction.

MMM Group Limited has performed their work assignments satisfactorily for the Commission to date.

JUSTIFICATION

An extension to the purchase order and an increase of authorized funds in the upset limit amount of \$400,000.00 to MMM Group Limited will ensure that the civil, structural and urban design resources continue to be available to support the on-going design work of the St. Clair Avenue West Transit Improvements Project.

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