

TORONTO STAFF REPORT

January 11, 2006

To: Bid Committee

From: General Manager of Toronto Water
Acting Director of Purchasing and Materials Management

Subject: Request for Quotation 3907-05-5262
New Entrance and Interior Renovations, High Level Pumping Station
(Ward 22 St. Paul's)

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to advise on the results of the Request for Quotation issued for the construction of a New Entrance and Interior Renovations at the High Level Pumping Station, and to request authority to award a contract to the recommended bidder.

Financial Implications and Impact Statement:

The total contract award identified in this report is \$1,772,990.00 including \$189,390.00 as a contingency and cash allowance, and all applicable taxes and charges. The cost to the City net of GST is \$1,657,000.00. Funds for this project is included in the approved 2006-2010 Toronto Capital Project, Minor Facility Refurbishment 2006 Budget CWW471-01. The engineering estimate for this project is \$1,284,000.00, including all applicable taxes.

Recommendations:

It is recommended that the contract for the Request for Quotation 3907-05-5262 for the construction of New Entrance and Interior Renovations, High Level Pumping Station, be awarded to MJ Dixon Construction Limited, in the amount of \$1,772,990.00 including all taxes charges and contingencies, being the lowest bid received.

Background:

In June 2005, Request for Prequalification 3907-05-5146 was issued to one hundred and forty one (141) firms from the City's bidder's list and was also advertised on the City of Toronto website. Ten (10) submissions were received in which six (6) firms were selected as eligible to bid on renovations at the High Level PS, RC Harris Treatment Plant and RL Clark Treatment Plant.

Request for Quotation 3907-05-5262 was issued on September 2, 2005 to the six selected firms on the short list with a closing date of September 26, 2005 which was subsequently extended to October 19, 2005.

The purpose of this project is to renovate the High Level Pumping Station at 235 Cottingham Street, Toronto. This pumping station is a heritage-list facility that was originally built in 1906 with various additions over the subsequent years. Not only do the buildings house booster pumps for City drinking water, the building is the administrative hub of Water Supply transmission operations. As an administration centre there is a need for modern offices and training rooms which meet all current building and fire codes.

Plans and specifications were developed in 2005 for a new main entrance, a new fire escape exit, eight offices, one boardroom, two meeting rooms, two serveries, a training room, four washrooms, a barrier-free elevator access and two locker changing rooms. The modifications involve roof, ceiling and floor structural upgrades, a new heating, ventilation and air conditioning system, new partitions with new electrical and mechanical equipment and finishes.

The Purchasing and Materials Management Division at its Public Opening held on October 19, 2005, opened the following bids for Request for Quotation 3907-05-5262, for New Entrance and Interior Renovations High Level Pumping Station, 235 Cottingham Street, Toronto:

<u>Firm Name</u>	<u>Total Lump Sum Price Including All Charges and Taxes</u>
M. J. Dixon Construction Ltd.	\$ 1,772,990.00
Morosons Construction Ltd.	\$ 2,098,042.09*

* Request for Quotation price corrected for mathematical errors. Purchasing and Materials Management has verified that the mathematical errors were corrected.

Comments

The bid document submitted by the recommended bidder has been reviewed by the General Manager of Toronto Water and was found to be in conformance with the Request for Quotation requirements and concurs with the recommendation made.

Toronto Water staff have compared the bids to the estimated cost and found the price of the recommended bidder to be reasonable and within the budget available.

The Fair Wage Office has reported that the recommended firm has indicated that it has reviewed and understands the Fair Wage Policy and Labour Trades requirements and has agreed to comply fully.

Conclusion:

This report requests authority to award a contract for New Entrance and Interior Renovations, High Level Pumping Station, in accordance with specifications to MJ Dixon Construction Ltd. being the lowest bid received.

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