



## REPORT FOR ACTION WITH CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENT

# Construction of Perimeter Fence Project - Request for Tenders Award

**Date:** November 14, 2025

**To:** Board of Management of the Toronto Zoo

**From:** Director, Capital Program & Sustainability

**Wards:** All

### REASON FOR CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

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The attachment to this report contains a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, or financial information that belongs to the City or local board and has monetary or potential monetary value.

### SUMMARY

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This report recommends the award of the Request for Tenders (RFT-42) for the Construction of the Perimeter Fence Project.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

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The Director, Capital Program & Sustainability, Toronto Zoo recommends that the Board of Management of Toronto Zoo:

1. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer or their designate to execute an agreement with Imperial Fence, Inc. (of Scotland, Ontario) for the award of Request for Tender (RFT) 42 for the construction of a perimeter fence project for up to \$1,639,615.00 (excluding HST), the lowest bid among all four received, on the terms and conditions of RFT-42 and in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor.
2. Adopt the Confidential Instructions to Staff in Confidential Attachment 1.
3. Authorize the public release of Confidential Attachment 1 following the closing of any purchase transaction.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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There is no financial impact resulting from the adoption of the recommendations in this report. The budget for this project is contained within the Grounds & Visitor Improvements Project of the approved 2025-2034 capital budget.

## **DECISION HISTORY**

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There is no prior decision history related to this report.

## **COMMENTS**

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The Perimeter Fence Project is an approved 2025 & 2026 Capital project.

The Toronto Zoo is improving its 8.3km chain link perimeter fence that surrounds the entire Zoo. The new Perimeter Fence Project consists of the following:

1. 2.8 kilometer will remain as is;
2. 3.3 kilometer will be upgraded (extended upwards 1-2ft to a final height of 8ft); and
3. 2.2 kilometer will be brand new fencing.

There will be 2 meter wide clearing on the inside of the perimeter fence and a 1m wide clearing on the outside of the perimeter fence. Access is required on both sides of the fence for ongoing maintenance and inspection. The fence is required to be continuous and a minimum of 2.4 meter (8 foot) high in order to meet the 2025 Accreditation Standards of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA).

The Consulting Engineering firm reviewed the procurement on the Zoo's behalf and based on the four submitted bids, found the bid from Imperial Fence Inc. to be the lowest meeting specifications, and therefore suggested that the Zoo award to Imperial.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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## **ATTACHMENTS**

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Attachment 1 - Comparison of Request for Tenders Bids

Confidential Attachment 1 - Construction of Perimeter Fence Project - Request for  
Tenders Award