



REPORT FOR ACTION CONTRACT AWARD

Contract Award - Bike Share Installation Retainer Various Sites – 2026-CON-VAR-D50.4

Date: May 1, 2026

To: Board of Directors of the Toronto Parking Authority

From: President, Toronto Parking Authority

Wards: All

SUMMARY

The 2030 Bike Share Toronto Growth Strategy “Ride More, Connect More” establishes a bold aspiration to inspire and mobilize one million unique Bike Share Toronto (BST) customers and position BST as a trusted, valued, and integral transportation option for residents and visitors. The strategy is anchored in five operating imperatives, including accelerating fleet and station electrification and expanding and densifying the network citywide.

The purpose of this paper is to seek authorization from the Toronto Parking Authority Board of Directors (the Board) to award an upset-limit contract of up to \$4,500,000 for construction services Black and MacDonald Ltd and to obtain approval for the construction services and electrical upgrades required to support the next phase of BST’s electrification and network expansion program.

Over the next five years, Toronto Parking Authority (TPA) will add 1,661 electric charging docks, increasing the share of electrified docks from 6 percent to 14 percent, for a total of 3,036 e-docks system-wide. To deliver this work, TPA is seeking approval to award an upset-limit contract of up to \$4,500,000 for construction services. These services will support the installation of e-bike stations, network expansion, and station densification at selected TPA car parks and other locations across the city.

As a prerequisite to electrification, TPA must complete electrical upgrades at selected sites. Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited, as Toronto’s authorized local electricity distribution provider, is required to perform this enabling work. Accordingly, TPA is seeking approval to issue a purchase order to Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited in the amount of \$750,000 to support electrical upgrades at approximately 20 to 30 locations.

This investment directly advances the 2030 BST Growth Strategy by enabling fleet electrification, supporting network expansion and densification, and improving system availability and reliability across the city.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The President, Toronto Parking Authority recommends that:

- 1) The Board of Directors of Toronto Parking Authority provide authority to the President, Toronto Parking Authority, to award the Bike Share Installation Retainer Various Sites – 2026-CON-VAR-D50.4 to Black and McDonald Limited, having achieved the highest overall score through the competitive procurement process and having met all construction tender requirements for total upset limit of \$4,500,000.00 excluding HST.
- 2) The Board of Directors of Toronto Parking Authority provide authority to the President, Toronto Parking Authority, to issue a purchase order to Toronto Hydro-Electrical Systems Limited in the amount of \$750,000.00 excluding HST for electrical upgrades required for the development of TPA’s e-bike charging network.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The amount to award the Bike Share Installation Retainer Various Sites for 2026-CON-VAR-D50.4 is \$4,500,000.00 excluding HST to be awarded over 5 years to Black and McDonald Limited. This funding was previously outlined as part of the 2030 Bike Share Toronto Growth Strategy Ride More, Connect More, presented during the December 12, 2025 TPA Board meeting and approved as part of the 2026 Annual Operating Plan presented at the March 11, 2026 TPA Board meeting.

Additionally, it is recommended that the TPA Board of Directors provide authority to the President, TPA, to issue a purchase order to Toronto Hydro-Electrical Systems Limited in the amount of \$750,000.00 excluding HST for electrical upgrades required for the development of TPA’s e-bike charging network. Funding for this work is included in the approved TPA 2026 Capital Budget under TPA908904, CPK462-01, TPA Internal Order 700400.

DECISION HISTORY

At its meeting on March 11, 2026, the TPA’s Board of Directors received for information item PA18.8 “Bike Share 2025 Business Review and 2026 Annual Operating Plan” with an update on the results from Bike Share 2025 operational and financial performance as well as the 2026 Annual Operating Plan which translates the strategic priorities outlined in the Bike Share 2030 Strategy – Ride More, Connect more into specific, operational, financial and capital initiatives for the upcoming year.

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2026.PA.18.8>

At its meeting on December 12, 2025, the TPA Board of Direction approved item PA17.4 - 2030 Bike Share Toronto Growth Strategy - Ride More, Connect More, which outlines the program's plans for system expansion from 2026 to 2030.

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2025.PA17.4>

At its meeting of October 16, 2025, the TPA's Board of Directors received for information item PA16.8 "Bike Share Engagement Plan Update" with an update on management's stakeholder engagement process in support of the development of our new multi-year strategy for Bike Share Toronto.

<https://secure.toronto.ca/council/agenda-item.do?item=2025.PA16.8>

COMMENTS

TPA is advancing the 2030 Bike Share Toronto Growth Strategy – Ride More, Connect More, which aims to engage one million unique customers and strengthen BST as a core part of Toronto's mobility network. A key pillar of the strategy is accelerating system electrification and expanding and densifying the network citywide.

BST's strategy to densify the network requires construction services to complete the installation of 1,660 new e-docks and accompanying electrical infrastructure upgrades over the next five years (2026 to 2030 inclusive) at various TPA car parks.

The electrical infrastructure expansion will help ensure that BST can deliver a system that is responsive to the needs of our customers. Research shows that many new users first try an e-bike before broadening their utilization to include traditional iconic bikes. E-bikes also deliver a higher per-ride Average Transaction Value (ATV) for BST, helping to facilitate the sustainable funding state which is one of the objectives of the Growth Strategy. Installing the electrical charging infrastructure is a key step in delivering on the Choice, Ease and Speed which customers are asking for through our Growth Strategy.

As the bike share network continues to expand outside of the urban core, these kinds of investments help ensure that we are delivering a system that provides all Torontonians with a bike share option that is cost-effective, easy to access, and which delivers the level of service which they expect. It is a core part of BST's commitment to better serve residents, support climate action, and strengthen Toronto's integrated mobility network.

Table 1: Summary of E-Docks to be Installed 2026 to 2030

	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	Total New E-Docks
E-Docks to be Installed	350	350	300	310	350	1,660

The Request for Tender (RFT) for project 2026-CON-VAR-D50.4 BST Installation Retainer was published on MERX on March 6, 2026. Five (5) bids were received prior to the closing deadline of April 10, 2026. The selection was guided by the fee quoted, technical capabilities of the bidder, submission requirements, and acceptance of the terms and conditions noted in the RFT.

The scoring system was done in 2 stages. In Stage 1, TPA reviewed all bids to confirm they met the mandatory submission and technical requirements. Bids that did not meet these requirements were disqualified and not evaluated further. In Stage 2, TPA evaluated the remaining bids using a weighted scoring method out of 100. Each bid was graded based on technical criteria and price. Technical criteria accounted for 70 points and were scored based on the quality and relevance of the submission. Pricing accounted for 30 points and was scored relative to the lowest bid, which received full points. Scores from both elements were combined to determine a final score out of 100.

A letter of recommendation for award dated April 17, 2026 was provided to TPA by TPA’s consultant, CIMA+ Inc., with the reaccommodation that Black and McDonald Limited be awarded the contract 2026-CON-VAR-D50.4 for achieving the highest total score.

Table 2: Summary of Bids Received (2026-CON-VAR-D50.4 - Bike Share Installation Retainer Various Sites)

Contractor	Ranking	Total Score
Black and McDonald Limited	1	95/100
Maxim Group General Contracting Limited	2	81/100
Bevcon Construction and Paving Limited	3	73/100
Arnes Construction Limited	4	64/100
Energy Network Services Incorporate	5	30/100

Should TPA Board of Directors adopt the recommendations in this report, TPA will notify the consultants and proceed to the contract execution stage. Project initiation is expected by July 2026 with completion of the work targeted for Fourth Quarter (Q4) 2029. Commissioning of the equipment will occur as each site is completed, with the first completion site being expected Third Quarter (Q3) 2026.

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ATTACHMENTS

N/A