



ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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TO: Standing Committee on Policy and Strategic Priorities
FROM: General Manager of Engineering Services and Chief Purchasing Official
SUBJECT: Contract Award for Consulting Services for Arbutus Greenway

RECOMMENDATION

- A. THAT Council authorize City Staff to negotiate, to the satisfaction of the General Manager of Engineering Services, Director of Legal Services and the Chief Purchasing Official, and enter into a contract with Mott MacDonald Canada Ltd., for consulting services, for a term of one and a half (1.5) years with an estimated contract value of \$2,220,599.98, plus applicable taxes over the term, to be funded within the approved multi-year Capital Budget for the Arbutus Greenway Conceptual Design and Project Office.
- B. THAT the Director of Legal Services, the Chief Purchasing Official and the General Manager of Engineering Services be authorized to execute, on behalf of the City, the contract contemplated by Recommendation A above.
- C. THAT no legal rights or obligations will be created by Council's adoption of Recommendations A and B above unless and until such contract is executed by the authorized signatories of the City as set out in these Recommendations.

REPORT SUMMARY

The City issued a Request for Proposal (RFP), (PS20170292), in March 2017 for design consulting services of the Arbutus Greenway Master Plan. The RFP was advertised on the City's website and BC Bid and the work was called in accordance with the terms and conditions of the City's Procurement Policy AF-015-01. The City's RFP Evaluation Committee, and subsequently, the Bid Committee, have considered the responses received, and on that basis recommend that the City negotiate and, if successful, enter into a contract with Mott MacDonald Canada Ltd.

COUNCIL AUTHORITY/PREVIOUS DECISIONS

The City's Procurement Policy AF-015-01 requires that contracts with values over \$2 million must be approved by Council following review and recommendations by the Bid Committee. The Bid Committee has considered, and recommended, Mott MacDonald Canada Ltd. as the successful proponent.

REPORT

Background/Context

In 2000, Vancouver City Council passed the Arbutus Corridor Official Development Plan (By-law No. 8249), which designated all the land in the Arbutus Corridor as a public thoroughfare for rail transit, cycling and walking. The City purchased the corridor from Canadian Pacific Railway in March 2016 with the requirement that "the City in its capacity as owner of the Lands will commence and expedite an internal planning process to design portions of the Lands for light rail use and walking and cycling use".

Considering the length and complexity of the study area, and the scope of developing a master plan for the Arbutus Corridor, staff determined that a competitive RFP process would be the best model for developing a master plan for the greenway in time for Council consideration in May 2018.

The purpose of the RFP was to seek the services of a qualified team of consultants to work with staff, stakeholders and the public to develop a master plan that will guide the transformation of the Arbutus Greenway into a world-class Greenway with provisions to integrate a streetcar in the future.

Strategic Analysis

The RFP was issued in the accordance with City's Procurement Policy AF-015-01. The City received responses from AECOM, Design Workshop, Hatch, Mott Macdonald, O2 Planning, PWL Partnership and Space2place.

The responses were evaluated through the work of an evaluation team comprised of representatives from the Project Delivery Branch in the Engineering Department under the stewardship of Supply Chain Management to ascertain if the responses offered good overall value to the City. Both quantitative and qualitative factors were evaluated.

Some of the criteria considered in the overall evaluation process included:

- Proponent's background, purpose and values;
- Proposed key personnel, their qualifications and credentials;
- Proponent's experience and qualifications in the areas of planning, design and implementation of streetcar facilities; transportation planning; designing public spaces; demonstrated universal design capability; demonstrated sustainable design capability; experience in implementing green infrastructure; experience in public engagement; experience working with First Nations; experience in a municipal environment; experience working with internal stakeholders;
- Proponent's work plan and methodology;
- Proponent's alternative solutions or innovative ideas.

Based on the overall evaluation, the team concluded that the proposal submitted by Mott MacDonald Canada Ltd. best met the City's requirements and provided the best overall value to the City.

Financial Implications

Finance has reviewed and confirmed that sufficient funding is available from the approved \$6M multi-year Capital Budget for the Arbutus Greenway Conceptual Design and Project Office.

Legal

The City's Procurement Policy requires that all contracts that have been awarded by Bid Committee, plus Council, will be signed by the Director of Legal Services.

CONCLUSION

In summary, City staff recommends that the City of Vancouver negotiate and enter into a 1.5 year contract with Mott MacDonald Canada Ltd. to provide consulting services for the Arbutus Greenway.

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