



Report to General Committee-
Community Services & Environment

Date of Meeting: June 12, 2006

SUBJECT: Contract Award for Streetlight Maintenance and Repair 2006,
PowerStream

PREPARED BY: Alan Laver, Manager, Utilities & Contracts
Kevin Newson, Manager, Purchasing

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the tendering process be waived in accordance with Purchasing By-Law 2004-341, Part II, Section 7 (1) (c) which states "when the extension of an existing contract would prove more cost-effective or beneficial";

AND THAT the 2006 Streetlight Maintenance and Repair contract be awarded to the preferred vendor PowerStream in the amount of \$619,188 (based on PowerStream's estimate) exclusive of GST to expire on December 31, 2006;

AND THAT the 2006 Streetlight Re-lamping Program contract be awarded to the preferred vendor PowerStream in the amount of \$102,217 (based on PowerStream's estimate) exclusive of GST to expire December 31, 2006;

AND THAT funds be provided from account #720 720 5497 Light Maintenance and Repair in the total amount of \$721,405 covered by funding approved in the Town's 2006 Operating Budget

PURPOSE:

To provide Purchase Orders to PowerStream to continue with streetlight maintenance, repairs and re-lamping of existing fixtures in 2006.

BACKGROUND:

PowerStream has historically been the Town's provider of streetlight maintenance services. Currently there is an inventory of approximately 20,000 streetlights within the Town boundaries. The Town's street lighting electrical supply circuits in most cases are now integrated and installed with the existing hydro systems and require certified personnel (Journeyman Linesmen) to repair any live portion of the system in accordance with ESA (Electrical Safety Association) requirements.

The services provided now by PowerStream include repairs to damaged poles and fixtures, replacement of burned out bulbs, ballasts light sensors (based on residents' requests to the Contact Centre and outages reported by the Operations Department's regular patrolling), underground/overhead supply line repairs (Burn outs), and locating services for street lighting underground infrastructure. The service also includes costs for the yearly re-lamping and cleaning program as all lamps are replaced on a 5 year rotation, for preventive maintenance (3000 units are scheduled to be replaced in 2006).

PowerStream, under the Capital Budget Program, also provides other various services to the Town such as; Engineering review; evaluation; installation of requests for additional or upgrading of existing streetlights; removal and reinstallation of streetlights relating to other capital construction; and pole replacements as required due to life cycling.

Funding has been approved in the 2006 Utility Sections Operating budget (\$798,058) based on a projection of PowerStream's 2005 estimate. In April the Town received an updated estimate (Attachment "B") for 2006 summarized as follows;

General Maintenance-	\$413,738
Streetlight Fault Repairs-	<u>\$205,450</u>
Sub Total-	\$619,188

Note – PowerStream's estimate is \$658,948 which includes an amount of \$39,739 for Hit and Runs. This item is covered by the Clerk's Department through insurance and is not funded through the Streetlight Maintenance account.

Re-lamping-	<u>\$102,217</u>
Total (less GST) -	\$721,405

PowerStream invoices their actual costs monthly based on the required amount of work using time and materials for the specific maintenance items required.

OPTIONS/ DISCUSSION:

N.A.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

The following table is a summary of the financial considerations for this report:

Original Budget and Account #	\$798,058	720 720 5497 Light Maintenance and Repair
Less Cost	(\$721,405)	Awarded to PowerStream
Less Contingency		
Budget Remaining	<u><u>\$76,653</u></u>	

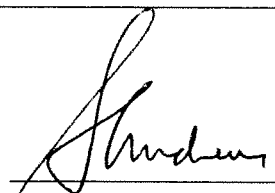
FINANCIAL TEMPLATE (Separate Attachment):

See Attachment 'A'

BUSINESS UNITS CONSULTED AND AFFECTED:

Purchasing has been consulted and their comments are included.

**RECOMMENDED
BY:**



Steve Andrews-Director
Asset Management]

Jim Sales- Commissioner
Community & Fire Services

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 'A' - Financial Information Template

Attachment 'B' - PowerStream 2006 Estimate

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