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TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN UPDATE

The Planning and Economic Development Committee recommends the adoption of the recommendations contained in the following report February 15, 2006, from the Commissioner of Planning and Development Services:

1. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that:

1. The consulting engineering firm of Marshall Macklin Monaghan Limited be engaged to undertake the Transportation Master Plan Update at a total upset limit fee of \$249,670.00 plus GST.
2. The appropriate Regional Officials be authorized to execute an agreement with Marshall Macklin Monaghan Limited for the delivery of the proposed consultant services.

2. PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to inform Council about the update to the 2002 Transportation Master Plan (TMP) Study and request authorization to award the consultant assignment.

3. BACKGROUND

The TMP is intended to provide a framework for future transportation decisions, which would support the Regional goals of Sustainable Natural Environment, Economic Vitality and Healthy Communities. The TMP is a thirty year planning framework which will build on the previous Master Plan and recent reports to Council concerning the growth plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe and required Provincial funding for York Region's 30 year infrastructure projects. The 2002 TMP outlined a rapid transit investment strategy to complement the maturing urban area road system. The update will allow the Region to address future transportation needs in an efficient, effective and integrated manner considering new Provincial initiatives and further growth in the Region and serve as the basis for the transportation component of the Development Charges By-Law and 10-Year Capital Plan updates.

At its meeting on December 15, 2005, Regional Council adopted Clause No. 4, Report No. 10 of the Planning and Economic Development Committee to undertake the five year review of the Transportation Master Plan with the assistance of a consultant and the

active participation of staff from the Planning Department, Finance Department and the Transit and Roads branches of the Transportation and Works Department. This report deals with the selection of the consultant for this study.

4. ANALYSIS AND OPTIONS

In accordance with the Purchasing By-law and through the Supplies and Services Branch, Expressions of Interest (EOI) were solicited for this work. Five EOIs were received, from which four firms were invited to submit a response to our Request for Proposal (RFP) document.

All four consulting firms submitted a proposal and they are:

- IBI Group
- iTRANS Consulting Inc.
- Marshall Macklin Monaghan Limited (MMM)
- McCormick Rankin Corporation

The proposals were evaluated based on a weighting of 80% for the technical/management proposal and 20% for the financial proposal. This allocation of technical/management and financial will ensure that the assignment is awarded to not only a very technically competent consultant but also a cost competitive consultant.

The technical proposals were evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Qualification and Experience.
- Project Deliverables.

The proposal with the highest combined technical and financial score is then recommended for award of the study.

A consultant selection committee consisting of staff from Planning and Development Services and Transportation and Works Department evaluated the four proposals. Based on the committee's evaluation, the two highest scoring technical proposals, Marshall Macklin Monaghan Limited and iTRANS Consulting Inc. were invited to attend an interview presentation and respond to pre-selected questions.

The consultant proposal evaluation summary is presented in Table 1 and includes the Technical Score, the Upset Limit Fee and corresponding Financial Score and the Total Score for each proponent. All four proposals met the requirements of the RFP.

Table 1
Consultant Proposal Evaluation Summary

Firm	Technical Score (Out of 80)	Upset Limit Fee Excluding GST	Financial Score (Out of 20)	Total Score (Out of 100)
IBI Group	55.5	\$250,288.00	20.0	75.5
iTRANS Consulting	61.9	\$299,018.00	16.7	78.6
Marshall Macklin	61.9	\$249,670.00	20.0	81.9
McCormick Rankin	45.9	\$350,000.00	14.3	60.2

iTRANS Consulting Inc. and Marshall Macklin Monaghan Limited tied with the highest technical score. However, the proposal of Marshall Macklin Monaghan Limited garnered the highest combined technical and cost assessment and is therefore recommended for this assignment.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Funds to retain a consultant to undertake the Transportation Master Plan update have been allocated in the 2006 and 2007 capital budget.

6. LOCAL MUNICIPAL IMPACT

As was the case with the original Transportation Master Plan, this study will involve representatives of all the local municipalities. It will also have an extensive public consultation process as outlined in the requirements for a master plan environmental assessment, followed by a formal municipal and agency review of the conclusions of the study.

7. CONCLUSION

Four proposals for this project were evaluated in accordance with Regional Purchasing policy, by-laws and practices. The proposal submitted by Marshall Macklin Monaghan Limited received the highest score in our consultant selection evaluation. It addresses all of the requirements for this assignment, including qualified and knowledgeable personnel, and a sound methodology to complete this assignment. The proposal represents the best overall value to York Region.

Staff recommend that Marshall Macklin Monaghan Limited be engaged to carry out the Transportation Master Plan Update at an upset limit fee of \$249,670.00 excluding GST and that the appropriate Regional officials be authorized to take all necessary steps to execute a formal agreement with Marshall Macklin Monaghan Limited for the delivery of these services.

The Senior Management Group has reviewed this report.