



To: Toronto Public Library Board - April 30, 2001

From: City Librarian

Subject: **Award of Tender - Construction of Toronto Reference Library's Toronto Star Newspaper Centre**

Purpose:

To employ the services of a General Contractor to complete renovations to the Toronto Reference Library (TRL) Newspaper Reading Centre, as per Toronto Public Library's (TPL's) drawings and specifications. Awards of tender greater than \$250,000 require Board approval, as per approved TPL Purchasing Policy.

Funding Implications and Impact Statement:

TPL received a \$600,000 donation from the Toronto Star to renovate the TRL newspaper reading room.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Toronto Public Library Board award a contract to the lowest bidder, M/2 Group Inc., to complete construction of a new and expanded Toronto Star Newspaper Centre at the Toronto Reference Library, at a cost of \$313,377 (excluding GST).

Background:

In November 2000, TPL employed the services of Moriyama & Teshima Architects to provide required architectural consulting services for the renovation to the TRL Newspaper Centre. On April 5, 2001, an advertisement was placed in the Daily Commercial News for General Contractors interested in bidding on the TRL project.

At 11:00 a.m. on April 19, 2001, TPL received quotes from:

Bidder	Price (Excluding GST)
➤ M/2 Group Inc.	\$ 313,377
➤ Derbtile Construction Inc.	\$ 355,000
➤ Inter-All General Contracting Inc.	\$ 369,000
➤ Struct-Con Construction Ltd.	\$ 377,000
➤ Cortrad Construction (1999) Inc.	\$ 394,500
➤ BCC Interiors Inc.	\$ 397,000
➤ HN Construction Ltd.	\$ 397,680
➤ Builtron Ltd.	\$ 448,000
➤ M.J. Dixon Construction Limited	\$ 449,000
➤ Morocas General Contractors Limited	\$ 487,717
➤ Centrum Renovation	\$ 511,121

Comments:

The tender documentation submitted by the recommended bidder has been reviewed by the firm of Moriyama & Teshima Architects and TPL staff, and was found to be in conformance with the tender requirements.

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List of Attachments:

Not applicable.