

Dufferin / St. Clair Branch – Award of Tender

Date:	June 11, 2007
To:	Toronto Public Library Board
From:	City Librarian

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to request Toronto Public Library Board approval to employ the services of a General contractor for the renovation of the Dufferin / St. Clair Branch, as per Toronto Public Library's (TPL's) drawings and specifications, commencing July 2007.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Librarian recommends that the Toronto Public Library Board:

1. awards the contract to the lowest bidder, M. J. Dixon Construction Limited, for the renovation of the Dufferin / St. Clair branch at a cost of \$2,635,160, including Goods and Services Tax (GST) of \$149,160; and
2. authorizes and directs Library staff to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The tender amount of \$2,635,160, including GST of \$149,160, is part of the TPL's approved funding for the Dufferin / St. Clair capital project.

DECISION HISTORY

The renovation of the Dufferin / St. Clair was approved as a capital project in 2006, with a total budget of \$3,473,000, excluding GST. Makrimichalos Cugini Architects was selected in 2005 for the project.

COMMENTS

On February 19 and 20, 2007, an advertisement was placed in the Daily Commercial News for General Contractor's interest in bidding on the Dufferin / St. Clair branch renovation project. Upon evaluation of the bidders' submissions, eight General contractors were identified as the best qualified for this project.

On May 24, 2007, the TPL received quotes from four of the pre-qualified General Contractors.

The tender documentation submitted by the recommended low bidder, M.J. Dixon Construction Limited, was reviewed by the firm of Makrimichalos Cugini Architects and TPL staff, and was found to be in conformance with the tender requirements. The award of contract will be subject to the contractor and sub-contractors being in compliance with the Fair Wage Office at the City of Toronto.

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