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To: Toronto Public Library Board – March 7, 2005

From: City Librarian

Subject: **Pape/Danforth Branch – Award of Tender**

Purpose:

To request Toronto Public Library Board approval to employ the services of a General Contractor for the renovation of the Pape/Danforth Branch, as per Toronto Public Library's (TPL's) drawings and specifications, commencing April 2005.

Funding Implications and Impact Statement:

The renovation of the Pape/Danforth Branch was approved as a capital project in the 2004 budget at a total value of \$2,052,000.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that:

- (1) the Toronto Public Library Board award a contract to the lowest bidder, J. D. Strachan Construction Limited, for the renovation of the Pape/Danforth Branch at a cost of \$1,616,021, which includes Goods and Services Tax of \$105,721; and
- (2) the appropriate Library officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

Background:

On December 20, 2004, an Expression of Interest and Pre-qualification advertisement was placed in the Daily Commercial News for General Contractors interested in bidding on the Pape/Danforth Branch renovation project. Upon evaluation of the bidders' submissions, thirteen (13) General Contractors were identified as best qualified for this project.

On February 4, 2005, tender packages for the renovation of Pape/Danforth Branch were issued to pre-qualified contractors. On February 24, 2005, the TPL received quotes from eight (8) of the pre-qualified General Contractors:

- Atlas Corporation
- Dineen
- Harbridge & Cross
- Jasper Construction
- J.D. Strachan Construction

- M.J. Dixon Construction
- Struct-Con Construction
- Tasis Contractors

Comments:

The tender documentation submitted by the recommended bidder, J. D. Strachan Construction Limited, has been reviewed by the firm of Hariri Pontarini Architects and TPL staff, and was found to be in conformance with tender requirements.

Conclusion:

Library staff are to negotiate a contract to complete the renovation of the Pape/Danforth Branch, in accordance with drawings and specifications, with J. D. Strachan Construction Limited, being the lowest tender received.

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Not applicable.