

Kennedy / Eglinton Branch – Award of Tender

Date:	September 15, 2008
To:	Toronto Public Library Board
From:	City Librarian

SUMMARY

To request Toronto Public Library Board approval to employ the services of a General Contractor for the renovation and expansion of the Kennedy / Eglinton Branch, as per Toronto Public Library's (TPL's) drawings and specification, commencing September 2008.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The City Librarian recommends that the Toronto Public Library Board:

1. Awards the contract to the lowest bidder, Brown Daniels Associates, for the renovation and expansion of the Kennedy / Eglinton Branch, at a cost of \$980,147.96 (excluding GST); and
2. Authorizes and directs the appropriate Library staff to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The tender amount of \$980,147.96 (excluding GST) is part of the TPL's approved capital budget.

The Director, Finance and Treasurer has reviewed this Financial Impact statement and is in agreement with it.

DECISION HISTORY

The renovation and expansion of the Kennedy / Eglinton Branch was approved as a capital project in 2008, with a total budget of \$950,000. As part of the second quarter capital variance report, which was submitted to the City in August, Council approval was requested to increase the gross capital funding by \$60,000 and this is included in the Capital Budget Monitoring report, under Agenda Item No. 19. The landlord of this

storefront library located in the Liberty Square Shopping Plaza is contributing the \$60,000 to supplement the branch renovation costs. The total gross budget is now \$1,010,000.

G. Bruce Stratton Architects was hired to provide architectural design for the Kennedy / Eglinton Branch.

COMMENTS

On July 16, 2008 ten (10) pre-qualified General Contractors were invited to bid on the renovation and expansion project for the Kennedy / Eglinton Branch.

On July 31, 2008, the TPL received bids from three (3) of the pre-qualified General Contractors.

The tender documentation submitted by the recommended bidder, Brown Daniels Associates, was reviewed by the Toronto Public Library and the firm of G. Bruce Stratton Architects, and was found to be in conformance with the tender requirements, and was the lowest bid received.

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