



To: Toronto Public Library Board – July 15, 2002

From: City Librarian

Subject: **Dawes Road Neighbourhood Branch Library Retrofit – Award of Contract**

Purpose:

To request Toronto Public Library Board approval to employ the services of a General Contractor for the retrofit of the Dawes Road Neighbourhood Branch, as per Toronto Public Library's (TPL) Request for Quotations (RFQ), commencing August 2002.

Funding Implications and Impact Statement:

All dollar amounts in this report include applicable taxes less the Municipal Goods and Services Tax Rebate.

The total contract value is \$377,795.76 which can be accommodated within the approved 2000 capital budget for Dawes Road Neighbourhood Branch Library of \$750,000.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Toronto Public Library Board award a contract to the lowest bidder, Urbancon Ltd., to complete retrofit of the Dawes Road Branch at a net cost of \$377,795.76.

Background:

In 2000, City Council approved a capital budget of \$750,000 for TPL to:

- pay its portion of common area capital repairs at the condominium complex in which the Dawes Road Branch is situated; and,
- retrofit the branch interior.

The common area capital repairs are complete. The branch retrofit will be completed pending the award of this contract.

On June 3, 2002, an Expression of Interest and Prequalification advertisement was placed in the Daily Commercial News for General Contractors interested in bidding on the Dawes Road Library renovation project. Upon completion of the bidders' submissions, ten (10) general contractors were identified as best qualified for this project. On July 9, 2002, the TPL received quotes from seven (7) firms.

Comments:

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

Conclusion:

This report requests authority to issue a contract to the lowest bidder, Urbancon Ltd., to retrofit the Dawes Road Neighbourhood Branch in accordance with TPL's RFQ.

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Attachments

Not applicable.