Making Lansdowne Station Accessible

Date: April 11, 2019
To: TTC Board
From: Chief Capital Officer

Summary

The purpose of this report is to obtain authorization for the award of Contract B45-6 Easier Access Phase III - Lansdowne Station to J.J. McGuire General Contractors Inc. (J.J. McGuire) in the amount of $17,778,685.50 (including all applicable taxes) on the basis of the lowest total bid price.

The work of Contract B45-6 Easier Access Phase III (EA III) Lansdowne Station includes construction and installation of three elevators and other associated works.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Board authorize the:

1. Award of Contract B45-6 Easier Access Phase III Lansdowne Station to J.J. McGuire in the amount of $17,778,685.50 inclusive of all taxes on the basis of lowest total bid price.

Financial Summary

Sufficient funds for this expenditure are included in the TTC’s 2019-2028 Capital Budget under 3.9 Buildings & Structures, Easier Access Phase III Project, Legislative Category that was approved by City Council on March 7, 2019. The Easier Access Phase III total project budget is approximately $830 million of which approximately $590 million is budgeted for the remaining stations.

The Chief Financial Officer has reviewed this report and agrees with the financial impact information.
**Equity/Accessibility Matters**

A cornerstone of the TTC’s Corporate Plan 2018-2022 is accessibility, and as a proud leader in providing accessible public transit in the city of Toronto, we are committed to ensuring reliable, safe and inclusive transit services for all our customers.

This is supported through the work of this Contract for Lansdowne Station. An accessible path will be provided from street to concourse level by one forward motion elevator and from the concourse to the eastbound and westbound platforms by two additional elevators, along with the associated equipment and finishes.

**Decision History**

In order to meet the 2025 required completion date, the Easier Access Phase III - Program schedule has been accelerated.

For further project background and history refer to:

[Feasibility of Acceleration – Easier Access Phase III (For Action)]

**Issue Background**

TTC started work to make subway stations accessible to people with disabilities in 1990 and has a target to complete all subway stations by 2025. To date, 45 stations are accessible.

The current program schedule is meeting this commitment with seven stations currently in construction: Royal York, Yorkdale, Dupont, Chester, Runnymede, Wilson and Wellesley Stations. Including Lansdowne, four additional stations are expected to commence construction in 2019.

The local Councillor has been updated on the project status. A public open house was conducted on June 6, 2018 to discuss the construction plans with the community. The presentation can be found here:

[https://www.ttc.ca/About_the_TTC/Projects/Station_Improvements/Lansdowne_Station/index.jsp](https://www.ttc.ca/About_the_TTC/Projects/Station_Improvements/Lansdowne_Station/index.jsp)

Contract B45-6 Easier Access Phase III – Lansdowne Station provides for the work related to the supply and installation of three elevators for a barrier-free path from street level to concourse and then to platform level, as well as upgrades to the main entrance area including windows, lighting, wayfinding signage, automatic doors, and a power upgrade. The station layout drawings describing this work are included in Appendix A.
Comments

The Request for Bids (RFB) was posted on the TTC’s website and MERX on December 3, 2018. Of the fifteen companies that downloaded the bid documents, four submitted a bid by the closing date of February 11, 2019, which are summarized in Appendix B. The bid validity expires on May 12, 2019.

The RFB stated that the Bidders must possess a valid Certificate of Recognition (COR™), issued by the Infrastructure Health and Safety Association (ISHA), at the time of the bid closing and for the duration of the term of the Contract.

J. J. McGuire submitted the lowest priced bid and did not state any exceptions or qualifications, and they are COR™ certified with IHSA. They have satisfactorily completed A45-9 St. Clair West Station Easier Access project and D45-8 Coxwell Station Easier Access and On-Grade Paving project. Reference checks were also completed that indicated they have satisfactorily performed work of a similar size and nature for other organizations as well. Their Bid is considered commercially acceptable.

Duron Ontario Ltd. (Duron) and EllisDon Civil Ltd. (EllisDon) submitted the second and third lowest prices; however, both Bids included an exception with the unsolicited subcontractor work experience.

The TTC’s Legal Department advised that the statement is an exception as defined in the Procurement Policy. Consequently, both Duron and EllisDon were considered non-compliant.

Maystar General Contractors Inc. (Maystar) submitted the highest priced bid and did not state any exceptions or qualifications. Maystar is COR™ certified with IHSA. Their bid is considered commercially acceptable.

The Agreement to Bond submitted by J. J. McGuire covers both a Labour and Material Payment Bond and a Performance Bond and was submitted by The Guarantee Company of North America, who have been verified as a Surety Company licensed to transact business under the Insurance Act of Ontario. As such, they are considered financially capable of performing the work.

J. J. McGuire will be required to execute a Performance Bond and Labour and Material Payment Bond each in the amount of 50% of the contract value.

This Easier Access contract at Lansdowne Station is part of the TTC’s plan to make the system accessible by 2025.
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Attachments

Attachment 1 – Appendix A – Station Layout
2 – Appendix B – Summary of Bids

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APPENDIX A – STATION LAYOUTS
Street Level Plan
APPENDIX B

Easier Access Phase III
Lansdowne Station B45-6

Summary of Bids

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