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REPORT
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DATE 6 March 1998

TO/DEST. Co-ordinator
Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee

FROM/EXP. Environment and Transportation Commissioner

SUBJECT/OBJET **WATER METER REPLACEMENT**
CONTRACT NO. CW 8604 - CONTRACT AWARD

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION

That Corporate Services and Council approve the award of Contract No. CW 8604 - Water Meter Replacement to Colautti Construction Limited, Gloucester, Ontario to provide services and material for the replacement of small water meters, for a total contract provision of \$626,004.57.

BACKGROUND

The 1998 Water Meter Replacement Contract was tendered according to Regional policy as approved by Council on 25 November 1991. The 1998 Small Meter Replacement Program was tendered for the area illustrated on the attached plan. The lowest overall bid was submitted by Colautti Construction Limited.

Tenders for Contract CW 8604 were received from the following companies:

Colautti Construction Limited, Gloucester	\$580,051.00
Schlumberger Canada Limited, Mississauga	\$620,043.00
Ottawa Greenbelt Construction Company Limited, Gloucester	\$722,305.00

The Departmental estimate was \$680,751.50 (excluding GST).

The contract is based on approximately 4,900 meter installations. The unit price bid for the smallest size meters contained in this tender is \$113.70 per meter, which is below the departmental estimate of \$128.50 per meter. The requested contract award of \$399,913.00, plus the provisional line items \$180,138.00, plus an allowance of \$5,000.00 for contingency to allow for contract variations, and \$40,953.57 for GST allowance, brings the total contract award to \$626,004.57.

EXPENDITURE JUSTIFICATION

Due to the mechanical nature of a water meter, accuracy decreases as the meter ages. By testing and monitoring, the Water Division uses established parameters to identify which meters are to be replaced. Replacement is determined by the economic feasibility of comparing the water loss due to under registration and the cost to change the meter. The data is then assimilated into geographic areas for replacement purposes. This contract represents a continuation of a previously approved Regional policy.

CONSULTATION

The Consultation process is not applicable. The Region advertises in community newspapers and notifies the homeowners of the project prior to making arrangements to have any work performed.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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Approved Budget to Date	2,000,000
1998 Budget Request	<u>1,010,000</u>
Total	3,010,000
Total Paid & Committed	<u>(1,909,857)</u>
Balance Available	1,100,143
THIS REQUEST	<u>(626,005)</u>
Balance Remaining	<u>474,138</u>

Funds have been provided in the 1998 Draft Capital Estimates & 10 Year Capital Forecast, Account Number 922-41923-3501, Water Meter Change Out Program, Reference Page 300.

*Approved by
M.J.E. Sheflin, P.Eng.*

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Attach. (1)

FINANCE DEPARTMENT COMMENT

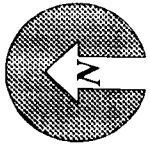
Approval of this contract represents a precommitment against the 1998 Capital Budget Subject to Council Approval.

*Approved by C. Colaiacovo
on behalf of the Finance Commissioner*

Water Meter Replacement Program 1998 Change-Out Area



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