

28. Re: Contract #23, 1972 - Supply and Placement of Topsoil

Tenders for the subject contract were received up to 3:00 p.m., local time, on Wednesday, July 19, 1972.

The work includes the supply, transport and placement of approximately 20,000 cubic yards of specification topsoil for the dressing of boulevards following street improvement projects in various locations in Burnaby. Contractors were required to provide prices which included the delivery and placement of topsoil in four zones.

Six tenders were received and opened in the presence of Mr. C.R. Walters, Mr. R.J. Constable, K. Williams and representatives of the bidding firms. A tabulation of the tenders is attached.

The following tabulation shows the results of a soil analysis which was carried out on the two lowest bids:

	V.C. Land Contractors Ltd.	Turner's Nur- series & Land- scaping Ltd.	Required by Spec.
Humus	28%	12%	20-30%
Sands	24%	65%	20-30%
Silts & Clays	48%	23%	30-50%
Acidity	4.2(acid)	5.8	PH 5-7

It can be seen that the low bidder, Turner's Nurseries and Landscaping Ltd., is not within the specifications on three out of four items. The second low bidder, V.C. Land Contractors Ltd., is within the specifications on all items except acidity which could be brought to specification with a slight adjustment.

For the reason of non-compliance with specifications by the lowest bidder, The Engineer and Purchasing Agent recommend that the contract be awarded to the second lowest bidder, V.C. Land Contractors Ltd., for a unit price of topsoil of \$5.65 per cubic yard. Payment will be based on the tendered unit price and actual quantities delivered.

The price for this material in the existing contract is \$5.90 per cubic yard.

The work is to be completed by July 1, 1973.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the contract be awarded to the lowest bidder meeting the established specifications, V.C. Land Contractors Ltd., for a topsoil unit price of \$5.65 per cubic yard, with final payment to be based on actual quantities and unit prices tendered per item.

THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF BURNABY

TABULATION OF TENDERS FOR

TOPSOIL CONTRACT - 1972

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT
July 19th, 1972

TENDER NO.	COMPANY	ZONE 1 (9000 cu.yds.)		ZONE 2 (3000 cu.yds.)		ZONE 3 (5000 cu.yds.)		ZONE 4 (3000 cu.yds.)		TOTAL
		Unit Cost	Total	Unit Cost	Total	Unit Cost	Total	Unit Cost	Total	
										\$115,000.
1.	Warner's Bulldozing & Trucking Ltd.	5.75	\$51,750.	5.75	\$17,250.	5.75	\$28,750.	5.75	\$17,250.	
2.	Walter Cabott Construction Ltd.	6.34	\$57,060.	6.34	\$19,020.					\$117,080.
3.	Capital City Construction Company Ltd.	5.85	\$52,650.	5.85	\$17,550.	5.85	\$29,250.	5.85	\$17,550.	\$ 99,000.
4.	Turner's Nurseries & Landscaping Ltd.	4.95	\$44,550.	4.95	\$14,850.	4.95	\$24,750.	4.95	\$14,850.	
5.	Holland Landscapers Ltd.			5.85	\$17,550.					\$113,000.
6.	V.C. Land Contractors Ltd.	5.65	\$50,850.	5.65	\$16,950.	5.65	\$28,250.	5.65	\$16,950.	

* Unit Cost shown above is per cubic yard.

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