

**TO:** CITY MANAGER **DATE:** March 2, 2005

**FROM:** DIRECTOR FINANCE

**SUBJECT:** **CONTRACT NO. 2005-12, SFU WATERMAIN TWINNING**

**PURPOSE:** To obtain approval to award a contract for the construction of watermains.

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. **THAT** a contract be awarded to the lowest bidder, Westpro Constructors Group Ltd., for the construction of watermains for a total cost of \$1,661,856.00 with final payment based on actual quantities and unit prices tendered.

**REPORT**

Seven tenders for this contract were received by the closing time of 3:00 p.m. Friday February 18, 2005 and were opened by staff in the presence of representatives of the firms bidding. The tenders received are as follows:

Westpro Constructors Group Ltd.	\$1,661,856.00
Directional Mining & Drilling Ltd.	\$1,719,015.40
Sandpiper Contracting Ltd.	\$1,767,449.54
Targa Contracting Ltd.	\$1,804,868.51
Belpacific Excavating & Shoring, Limited Partnership	\$1,882,842.62
B. Cusano Contracting Ltd.	\$1,883,200.00
J.S.Ferguson Construction Inc.	\$1,993,024.80

The work of this contract involves the installation of approximately 1,300 meters of various diameter watermain and other related work. The Director Engineering's estimate for this work is \$1,505,000.00.

The recommended bidder, Westpro Constructors Group Ltd., has not previously done work for the City. Reference checks in neighbouring cities reveal that they have satisfactorily completed works of a similar nature and based on their performance, the Director Engineering is satisfied that they have the experience and resources to complete the work of this contract. The Director Engineering and our consultant, Earth Tech Inc., concur with the above recommendation.

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Sufficient funds are available and this project is included under the Water Utility component of the 2005-2009 Annual Capital Program. Appearing elsewhere on this agenda is a work order report seeking funding approval for this project.

  
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