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Subject: Request To Begin Procurement for Supply, Delivery and Pick up of Coarse Bulk Highway and Magnesium Chloride Treated Salt for a Three (3) Year Period.

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Recommendations:

1. THAT the report titled **Request To Begin Procurement – Supply, Delivery and Pick Up of Coarse Bulk Highway and Magnesium Chloride Treated Salt for a Three (3) Year Period** to the City Council meeting of April 21, 2020, be received; and
2. That the Purchasing Agent be authorized to commence the procurement for the Supply, Delivery and Pick Up of Coarse Bulk Highway Salt for a Three (3) Year Period.

Overview:

- The purpose of this report seeks to obtain authorization to begin procurement for the Supply, Delivery and Pick Up of Coarse Bulk Highway and Magnesium Chloride Treated Salt for a Three (3) Year Period, with Two (2) additional One (1) year renewal options.

Background:

The Public Works & Engineering Department provides winter maintenance to 4,028 kilometers of roadway, 2,551 transit stops, 992 kilometers of designated sidewalks/walkways, 211 kilometers of Recreation Trails, 172 school crossing locations and 77 municipal facilities throughout the City of Brampton. Coarse Bulk Highway Salt is required by Roads Operations, Parks Operations, Facilities Services and Brampton Transit to keep our streets, sidewalks, transit stops and parking lots clear of snow and ice for safe vehicle and pedestrian traffic during the winter months.

Due to colder winter temperatures, Magnesium Chloride Treated Salt is used on our roadways and sidewalks. The treated salt enables the clearing of the ice buildup by working at lower temperatures when the regular salt has become ineffective

Current Situation:

The City's existing contract has three optional years remaining however the Department is not recommending to exercise these options. The previous contract was tendered during an Ontario wide salt shortage and this market situation resulted in higher than anticipated prices. Because of this, the department has decided to proceed with a new procurement process. Contract extensions have been required on the current contract, retendering the contract will reflect anticipated demand and forecast for future usage.

The Public Works & Engineering Department is recommending to begin procurement for the Supply, Delivery, and Pick Up of Coarse Bulk Highway and Magnesium Chloride Treated Salt for a Three (3) Year period, with Two (2) additional One (1) year renewal options.

Scope of Project

The City of Brampton Public Works & Engineering Department is committed to meeting the winter maintenance levels of service as outlined by Council by ensuring the safe and passable condition of our roadways and sidewalks throughout the winter season.

Corporate Implications:

Financial Implications:

Sufficient funding has been identified in the 2021 operating budget for the current contract. However, funding for the new contract will be included as part of the 2022 operating budget submission for council's consideration and approval.

Purchasing Comments:

A public Procurement Process will be conducted and the lowest compliant Bid will be eligible for contract award. Purchase approval shall be obtained in accordance with the Purchasing By-law.

All communication with Bidders involved in the procurement must occur formally, through the contact person identified in the Bid Document.

Term of Council Priorities:

This report achieves Council priorities as follows:

Environmental Stewardship is achieved through the City of Brampton's Salt Management Plan and safe salt storage practices which have been recognized and acknowledged by the Salt Institute.

Corporate Excellence is achieved through emphasis on customer service by ensuring the public has safe and efficient passages of transportation throughout the winter season no matter what the weather conditions.

Living the Mosaic – 2040 Vision

This report directly aligns with the vision that Brampton will be a mosaic of sustainable urban places, complete neighborhoods and safe, integrated transportation.

Conclusion:

This report recommends that the Purchasing Agent be authorized to commence the procurement as described in this report.

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