



The Corporation of the Town of Tecumseh

Public Works & Environmental Services

To: Mayor and Members of Council

From: Phil Bartnik, Director Public Works & Environmental Services

Date to Council: June 9, 2020

Report Number: PWES-2020-25

Subject: Tecumseh Road Sanitary Sewer – Lesperance to Southfield
Project Update

Recommendations

It is recommended:

That Report No. PWES-2020-25 Tecumseh Road Sanitary Sewer – Lesperance to Southfield – Project Update, **be received**.

Background

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an update on the construction schedule for the Tecumseh Road Sanitary sewer replacement from Lesperance to Southfield and to provide an overview of the public notification strategy.

The Tecumseh Road Community Improvement Plan (CIP) area is currently serviced by a sanitary sewer collection system that includes a sub-trunk sewer on Tecumseh Road, which directs wastewater flows to the Lesperance Road trunk sewer and ultimately to the Cedarwood (Gauthier) Pump Station. In order to accommodate proposed development within the Tecumseh Road CIP area, the Tecumseh Road sanitary sewer needs to be upgraded by 2021.

At the December 10, 2019 Regular Meeting of Council, Council approved the recommendations of Report PWES-2019-49 titled “2020-2024 Public Works & Environmental Services Five Year Capital Works Plan” that authorized Administration to proceed with the 2020 capital works projects including the construction of the Tecumseh Road Sanitary Sewer (Motion: RCM-401/19).

Dillon Consulting Ltd. (Dillon) completed the detailed design, plans, specifications and tender documents, and assisted with obtaining all required approvals for this project.

A tender call for the Tecumseh Road Sanitary Sewer project was advertised on the Town's website on January 21, 2020 with direct notification to the Windsor Construction Association. Eight bids were received.

At the March 24, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council, Council approved the recommendations of Report PWES-2020-18 titled "Tecumseh Road Sanitary Sewer – Tender Award" authorizing the award of the tender for the Tecumseh Road Sanitary Sewer in the amount of \$1,478,595, excluding HST, to D'Amore Construction (2000) Ltd. (Motion: RCM-114/20).

Comments

On March 17, 2020, the Government of Ontario (Ontario), in response to the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, declared a state of emergency under section 7.0.1(1) of the Emergency Management and Civil Protection Act (EMCPA).

On March 24, 2020, Ontario, pursuant to its powers under the EMCPA, mandated the closure of all non-essential businesses through Ontario Regulation 82/20. As a result of this regulation, the start of the Tecumseh Road Sanitary Sewer project was postponed. On May 1, 2020, an amendment to the Provincial regulation (O. Reg. 82/20, amendment 196/20) allowed municipal infrastructure projects to resume, including those that add capacity.

Subsequent to the passing of O. Reg. 82/20 (amendment 196/20), Administration contacted D'Amore Construction (2000) Ltd. advising of the ability to move forward with construction provided appropriate COVID-19 mitigation measures are implemented to keep workers safe and ensure compliance with the current health and safety protocols.

Due to the work zone being located immediately adjacent to numerous commercial properties, a face-to-face Public Information Centre (PIC) was originally intended to be held with adjacent landowners. The purpose of the meeting was to inform landowners of the proposed works, provide the project timelines, identify potential construction related inconveniences and provide an opportunity for landowners to ask questions about the project.

Given the current COVID-19 pandemic, the proposed PIC approach has been revised. It is now planned to mail notices to adjacent landowners advising of the project in advance of the construction. In lieu of a face-to-face PIC, the notice will invite residents and business owners to view a presentation/video online (via the Town's website) that will provide an overview of the Tecumseh Road Sanitary Sewer project. A link will also be included on the website to welcome comments and/or questions related to the project. Administration will provide a copy of the presentation/video to Council in advance of providing it to the public.

Recognizing the significant volumes of traffic that use this road, it is also planned to erect advance notification boards along Tecumseh Road prior to the project commencement to ensure residents, business owners and commuters are aware of the upcoming construction and anticipated traffic delays. In order to facilitate the sewer construction, lane closures will be required along Tecumseh Road for the duration of the project with two lanes being maintained

for the majority of construction. Temporary closures of Tecumseh Road and Southfield Road will be required to accommodate some portions of the sewer construction. These full closures will be short in duration and access to properties will be maintained via detour routes. Appropriate signage will be posted to provide notice of lane closures and to direct traffic to alternative detour routes.

The Contractor has advised they intend to start construction in mid-July with works expected to be substantially complete in November 2020. This schedule is subject to change based on unpredictable issues related to the on-going COVID-19 pandemic.

Consultations

Dillon Consulting Ltd.
D'Amore Construction (2000) Ltd.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

Link to Strategic Priorities

Applicable	2019-22 Strategic Priorities
<input type="checkbox"/>	Make the Town of Tecumseh an even better place to live, work and invest through a shared vision for our residents and newcomers.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ensure that Tecumseh's current and future growth is built upon the principles of sustainability and strategic decision-making.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Integrate the principles of health and wellness into all of Tecumseh's plans and priorities.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Steward the Town's "continuous improvement" approach to municipal service delivery to residents and businesses.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Demonstrate the Town's leadership role in the community by promoting good governance and community engagement, by bringing together organizations serving the Town and the region to pursue common goals.

Communications

Not applicable ☒

Website ☐ Social Media ☐ News Release ☐ Local Newspaper ☐

This report has been reviewed by Senior Administration as indicated below and recommended for submission by the Chief Administrative Officer.

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Tecumseh Road Sanitary Sewer – Project Location