

**ITEM 13. TENDER - HARRIS STREET UPGRADE – PYRMONT VILLAGE**

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**TENDER NO: 0846**

**SUMMARY**

This report provides details of the tenders received for streetscape upgrade works in Harris Street, between Pyrmont Bridge Road and Miller Street, Pyrmont.

The project scope of work includes the demolition and replacement of existing asphalt paving with new concrete aggregate paving, retention of trachyte kerbing, new bluestone kerb at intersections, new road surface treatment to the Harris/ Miller Street intersection and the construction of a new pocket park. Existing kerb alignments will generally be retained except at the Miller Street and Pyrmont Bridge Road intersections and at the existing mid-block kerb extensions. Work will also include adjustment and / or replacement of service pits as necessary, undergrounding of Energy Australia high voltage cables, installation of new Smartpoles™ and decorative lighting in Union Square.

This report recommends that Council accept the tender offer of Tenderer “F” for the Harris Street Upgrade - Pyrmont Village.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council accept the tender offer of Tenderer ‘F’ for Option 1 - full upgrade including the enhanced road surface treatment at Union Square; and
- (B) Tender Evaluation Summary, Attachment B to the subject report, remain confidential in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d) of the Local Government Act 1993.

**ATTACHMENTS**

**Attachment A:** Harris Street Upgrade, Pyrmont Village Plan

**Attachment B:** Tender Evaluation Summary (Confidential)

## **BACKGROUND**

1. The Local Action Plan strategy and consultation undertaken in 2006 for the City West Zone, covering Pymont Ultimo, identified the integrated and comprehensive revitalisation of Harris Street as the number one community request for this zone.
2. City Projects undertook a detailed review and analysis of Harris Street, which resulted in the Harris Street Scoping Report being endorsed by Council at the meeting of 10 March 2008. The Harris Street – Pymont Village project was identified as the highest priority project.
3. The key elements of the Harris Street Upgrade - Pymont Village upgrade proposal are:
  - (a) provision of new concrete aggregate paving to footpaths;
  - (b) footpath widening and re-alignments at the Harris Street/Pymont Bridge Road and Harris Street/Miller Street intersections to improve pedestrian safety;
  - (c) extensions to the existing mid-block footpath 'blisters' to improve pedestrian amenity and maximise outdoor seating opportunities;
  - (d) changed traffic conditions to the north bound traffic lane of Harris Street (at the intersection of Harris Street and Pymont Bridge Road) to incorporate a new right-turn bay into Pymont Bridge Road;
  - (e) the installation of an enhanced road surface treatment at Union Square (Harris Street/Miller Street intersection);
  - (f) undergrounding of Energy Australia cables in Pymont Bridge Road to accommodate new Smartpoles;
  - (g) new Smartpoles to replace the Energy Australia light poles and retention of the existing Louis Poulsen light poles;
  - (h) decorative lighting in Union Square;
  - (i) new street furniture; and
  - (j) new pocket park on the south-west corner of the Harris Street/Pymont Bridge Road intersection.

## **INVITATION TO TENDER**

4. The tender for the construction of the Harris Street Upgrade - Pymont Village was advertised on 14 October 2008 and closed on 11 November 2008.

## **TENDER SUBMISSIONS**

5. Six (6) submissions were received from the following organisations:
  - Ford Civil
  - Glascott Group

- GMW Urban
  - Kingston Civil
  - Statewide Civil
  - Sydney Civil
6. No late submissions were received.

### **TENDER EVALUATION**

7. All members of the Tender Evaluation Panel have signed Pecuniary Interest Declarations. No pecuniary interests were noted.
8. The relative ranking of tenders as determined from the total weighted score is provided in the Confidential Tender Evaluation Summary – Attachment B.
9. All submissions were assessed in accordance with the approved evaluation criteria being:
- (a) tender price;
  - (b) resources including Key Personnel and Subcontractors, community liaison and storage/site amenities;
  - (c) company profile including experience in similar projects, references, plant and equipment, QA & environmental management;
  - (d) proposed construction program;
  - (e) proposed construction methodology;
  - (f) traffic management plan;
  - (g) Occupational Health and Safety; and
  - (h) financial and commercial trading integrity / insurances.

### **PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT**

10. The City will ensure that performance standards are achieved during construction through:
- (a) quality assurance inspections undertaken by the head consultant;
  - (b) review of all necessary project and construction management plans including project specific safety plans, work method statements, inspection and test plans and traffic and pedestrian management plans etc. provided by the contractor;
  - (c) monthly review of construction programme and progress;
  - (d) ensuring that approved traffic and pedestrian management plans are adhered to;

- (e) day-to-day liaison (including weekly site meetings) and inspections with contractor; and
- (f) applying the value incentives in accordance with the contract, to motivate the successful delivery in stages with minimum disturbance to community.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

11. There are sufficient funds allocated for this project within the current year's capital works budget and future years' forward estimates.

### **RELEVANT LEGISLATION**

12. The tender has been conducted in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993, the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 and the City's Contracts Policy.
13. Information provided by tenderers which is commercial-in-confidence has been protected and will not be disclosed in accordance with section 10A(2)(d) of the Local Government Act 1993. A consistent standard for all tenderers has been used in assessing any request for confidentiality by a tenderer.
14. The works are on roads and footpaths and can be undertaken by the City under the Local Government Act 1993 and the Central Sydney DCP 1996 section 13.1.3 – Exempt Development without the requirement for a DA.

### **CRITICAL DATES / TIME FRAMES**

15. The following are critical dates for project delivery:

(a) Contract award to contractor	December 2008
(b) Contractor mobilisation and site establishment	mid January 2009
(c) Commence construction	early February 2008
(d) Complete Construction Works	late 2009

### **OPTIONS**

16. Council has the following options:
  - (a) **Option 1:** Award project for the full scope of work as detailed in the Plan of Works in Attachment A. This option is recommended
  - (b) **Option 2:** Reduce the project scope of the works. Under this option the enhanced road surface treatment at Union Square is deleted and the Harris/ Miller Street intersection will be re-sheeted in asphalt. The enhanced road surface treatment at Union Square will:
    - (i) provide contrasting texture and visual appearance to integrate the streetscape with Union Square and to enhance the slow speed environment by delineating the pedestrian crossing zones;

- (ii) reinforce the streetscape quality and hierarchy as a 'main street'. This treatment on Harris Street is a continuation of the main street palette used at Redfern Street and Glebe Point Road;
- (iii) be designed to accommodate easy access for pedestrians and cyclists whilst delineating a change in the streetscape for motorists;
- (iv) cause some increased traffic congestion and disruption during construction due to longer installation time, and may necessitate the partial closure of Miller Street; and
- (v) will be more costly to install and maintain, when compared to a standard asphalt intersection treatment.

### **PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

17. The concept design for the Harris Street Upgrade – Pyrmont Village was publicly exhibited for a period of four weeks. Submissions received indicate that the community is supportive of the upgrade which addresses the issues previously identified in the Local Area Action Plan and previous consultations.
18. Information about the project is available on the City Improvements page of Council's website. The information on the web page will be updated regularly during the construction phase.
19. During construction:
  - (a) updates will be provided to community on a regular basis; and
  - (b) City Projects and the contractor will be holding regular meetings with the community to address their concerns.

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