

ITEM 11. TENDER - DETAILED DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION FOR THE BOURKE STREET BICYCLE ROAD**FILE NO: S053024****TENDER NO: 0762****SUMMARY**

The City is seeking to engage a consultant team to provide detailed design tender documentation and quality control during construction services for the Bourke Street bicycle road project. This project is the first two-way separated bicycle road to be implemented on a local street. The separated bicycle road will travel along the western side of Bourke Street from Cowper Warf Road in Woolloomooloo to Crescent Street Redfern. Along Bourke Street from Crescent Street to Elizabeth Street in Waterloo, the cycle route will be shared foot and cycle paths on both sides of the street.

The implementation of cycling infrastructure assists with delivering the 2030 vision for making Sydney an accessible city. Environmentally, the introduction of safe cycling routes will provide a sustainable transport alternative to access the Local Government Area and will allow more choice for modes of transport around the City.

A Request for Tender was advertised in November 2007. Three submissions were received. The Tenders were evaluated in accordance with the approved Tender Evaluation Plan.

RECOMMENDATION

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council accept Tender No. 0762 – Company “B” for the Detailed Design and Construction Administration for the Bourke Street Bicycle Road; 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: Photomontage of Bourke Street cycle way

Attachment B: Tender Evaluation Summary (Confidential)

BACKGROUND

1. The City is seeking to engage a consultant team to provide detailed design, tender documentation and quality control during construction services for the implementation of a bicycle road along Bourke Street, from Woolloomooloo to Green Square.
2. The Cycle Strategy and Action Plan 2007-2017 identified key bike routes for implementation. In February 2007, two teams of consultants were appointed to prepare concept designs for Priority One bicycle routes located across the Local Government Area (LGA). The Cycling Strategy identified an opportunity to provide a higher than anticipated level of cycle provision by introducing separated bidirectional cycle roads. The concept design reports affirmed that the separated cycle roads are appropriate on certain routes investigated and Bourke Street for the majority of its length is an appropriate road for the implementation of the higher level cycling infrastructure. This will result in an increase in scope of works and cost for implementation of the identified cycle routes across the LGA as reported to the Cycle Strategy Implementation Advisory and Monitoring Committee.
3. The concept design for Bourke Street proposes a high quality, two-way separated bicycle route along the length of Bourke Street from Cowper Wharf Road, Woolloomooloo to Phillip Street / Crescent Street, Redfern. Due to the nature of the infrastructure required, a range of landscape and pedestrian improvements are proposed and will be integrated with the development of the cycle provision, particularly near intersections.
4. For the portion of route which is subject to the RTA proposal - 'Vision for Bourke Street' (between Corfu Street and Stanley Street, Darlinghurst), the scheme responds to a wider brief to refurbish and improve the urban amenity of the streetscape in accordance with the RTA proposal. The RTA will be making funds available to the City of Sydney in order to undertake the detailed design and construction of the RTA cycle works and to ensure consistency in delivery and quality of infrastructure.
5. South of Phillip Street / Crescent Street, Redfern and extending to Elizabeth Street, Waterloo, the concept proposes a shared foot and cycle path provision on both sides of the road. Pedestrian and landscape improvements are integral to the successful establishment of the proposed cycle provision, and will be delivered as part of this project.
6. The Bourke Street bicycle road will be the first implementation of a project identified in the *City of Sydney Cycle Strategy*. The adoption of a bi-directional separated cycle road system will be a pilot for future development of the City's strategic cycle network. It is recognised that a high degree of innovation will be required to successfully implement this project.

INVITATION TO TENDER

7. The invitation to tender was advertised in the Sydney Morning Herald and the Daily Telegraph on Tuesday 27 November 2007. The tenders closed on 18 December 2007.

TENDER SUBMISSIONS

8. Three submissions were received from the following organisations:

- Complete Urban Solutions
- GHD Pty Ltd
- Jamieson Foley Traffic and Transport Pty Ltd

TENDER EVALUATION

9. The tenders were assessed in accordance with the City of Sydney Code of Tendering.
10. All members of the Tender Evaluation Panel have signed Pecuniary Interest Declarations. No pecuniary interests were noted.
11. The relative ranking of tenders as determined from the total weighted score is provided in the Confidential Tender Evaluation Summary – Attachment B.
12. All submissions were assessed in accordance with the approved evaluation criteria being:

CRITERIA	DESCRIPTION
Tender price	
Lump Sum fee and schedule of rates.	
Standard of Compliance with the Specification	
Project Approach	The vision for the project, the design approach, and the outline of project delivery
Project Experience	Organisation's experience in similar projects
Project Team	Key personnel, qualifications and relevant experience
Service Provision	
Program	Ability to meet the milestone dates and control program
Conditions or Assumptions	None or acceptable conditions or assumptions
Insurances	As specified
OH&S	Compliance/systems

PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT

13. The scope of work has clearly stated that the consultant will be required to attend regular meetings with the City of Sydney during the execution of the works. The meetings will provide a mechanism for the Project Manager from the City of Sydney to regularly review and track the progress of the works by the consultant to ensure that they are on track with regard to program, and to regularly gauge the quality of the works at all stages of the project.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

14. The 2007/08 Capital Works budget for cycle implementation provides sufficient funding for this appointment.

RELEVANT LEGISLATION

15. 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.
16. 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.

CRITICAL DATES / TIME FRAMES

17. An anticipated program was included in the Tender Submission and is reproduced below:

Activity	Timeframe
Project Inception	Mid Feb 08
Community Consultation	Feb/Mar 08 (4 weeks)
Package 1 Design Development	Mid Feb (8 weeks)
Package 1 Tender and Construction Documentation	6 weeks
Tender Period (Consultant to proceed with Package 2 Documentation during tender)	12 weeks
Construction Commencement (Stage 1, 2 & 3)	Sept 08–April 09 (8 Months)
Package 2 Design Development (follows Package 1)	3 weeks
Package 2 Tender and Construction Documentation	6 weeks
Package 3 Design Development	3 weeks
Package 3 Tender and Construction Documentation	6 weeks
Construction Period	Nov 08–Jul 09 (8 Months)

OPTIONS

18. Council has the option to:
- (a) Reject the tenders. This option would delay the project and is not recommended.
 - (b) Approve the recommendation of the Tender Evaluation Panel to accept the offer of Company "B". This option is recommended.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

19. A public consultation phase is included as part of this project and will start immediately after the appointment of the design consultants. This will ensure that consultation is undertaken with all relevant stakeholders.

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