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TO/DEST. Co-ordinator
Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee

FROM/EXP. Environment and Transportation Commissioner

SUBJECT/OBJET **WELLINGTON STREET REHABILITATION, PHASE II**
50 M WEST OF KENT STREET TO O'CONNOR STREET
CONTRACT NO.: 96-503 - CONTRACT AWARD

DEPARTMENTAL RECOMMENDATION

That the Corporate Services and Economic Development Committee and Council approve the award of Contract 96-503, Wellington Street Rehabilitation, Phase II, 50 m west of Kent Street to O'Connor Street, to Taggart Construction Limited, Ottawa, for a total contract provision of \$4,070,762.73, with an estimated amount of \$1,864,364.32 to be reimbursed from various associated agencies.

DISCUSSION

Tenders for Contract 96-503 (excluding GST) were received from the following companies:

	Tender Amount
Taggart Construction Limited, Ottawa	\$3,804,451.15
Tarmac Minerals, Nepean	\$4,014,925.41
Tarcon Ltd., Gloucester	\$4,108,973.19
Deschenes Construction (Ontario) Ltd., Ottawa	\$4,175,000.00
W.D. Laflamme Limited, Nepean	\$4,335,856.00
Departmental Estimate (excluding GST)	\$3,762,868.00

The low tender exceeded the Departmental estimate by approximately 1%. The under-estimate is reflective of minor variances in pricing of the 199 items in the contract.

Based on the review of the tender documents, the Department recommends acceptance of the tender from the low bidder, Taggart Construction Limited, Ottawa. The requested contract award of \$3,804,451.15 (which includes a contingency allowance of \$150,000 for contract variations due to unforeseen conditions), plus an allowance of \$266,311.58 for GST, brings the total contract award to \$4,070,762.73.

Contract 96-503 extends from 50 m west of Kent Street to the west side of O'Connor Street. It forms Phase II of the Wellington Street Rehabilitation project between the Ottawa River Parkway and Elgin Street west. Phase I, from the Parkway to east of Lyon Street was substantially completed in 1996; Phase III from O'Connor Street to Elgin Street west is scheduled for tender in 1998.

This contract includes complete restoration of the roadway bed and driving surface, a new storm sewer, a new sanitary sewer, a new watermain, new streetlighting and sidewalks including a 'grand esplanade' on the north side of Wellington Street which forms part of the National Capital Commission's Confederation Blvd. Extensive tree planting has been incorporated in the design as well as modifications to the north leg of Bank Street and its connection to Lower Drive on Parliament Hill. As well, structural repairs will be made to the 'area way' of the Wellington Bldg. along its Wellington Street frontage.

Construction will proceed subject to receipt of confirmation from various agencies as to their commitment to reimburse the Region for the actual costs for their respective portions of the contract works as estimated below:

NCC - Confederation Blvd. Aspects	\$1,174,348.55
PWGSC - sewer, areaway Lower Drive	\$ 355,921.77
City of Ottawa - sewer, part of sidewalk	<u>\$ 334,094.00</u>
	\$1,864,364.32

CONSULTATION

Extensive public consultation was undertaken during the design stages of the project over the course of the past two years.

EXPENDITURE JUSTIFICATION

Wellington Street is a critical link in the downtown roadway network which services commuter access to the downtown core. It is the most important street serving the Nation's Capital and is the main street accessing Parliament Hill, the Cenotaph, and other important Federal Government office buildings.

The roadway is in an advanced state of deterioration and requires major rehabilitation work. The proposed construction works are essential for continued serviceability of this transportation facility.

The project costs are being shared with a number of partners, the main one of which is the National Capital Commission. Budgets have been committed from all agencies for the work.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

	912-30722	922-41924	932-42058
	\$	\$	\$
Approved Budget to Date	11,590,000	9,550,000	600,000
Total Paid & Committed	<u>(7,058,119)</u>	<u>(90,000)</u>	<u>-</u>
Balance Available	4,531,881	9,460,000	600,000
THIS REQUEST	(2,833,541)	(689,435)	(547,787)
Recovery from NCC	1,174,349	0	0
Recovery from PWGSC	195,564	28,840	131,518
Recovery from City of Ottawa	<u>16,321</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>317,773</u>
Balance Remaining	<u>3,084,574</u>	<u>8,799,405</u>	<u>501,504</u>

Funds have been provided in the 1997 Capital Budget, Account Nos. 912-30722, Wellington Street (NCC Parkway to Plaza Bridge) (reference page 79), 922-41924, Water Distribution System Rehabilitation Programme (reference page 263) and 932-42058, Wellington Street Vortex Chamber Upgrade.

*Approved by
M.J.E. Sheflin, P.Eng.*

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FINANCE DEPARTMENT COMMENT

Funds are available as indicated.

*Approved by T. Fedec
on behalf of the Finance Commissioner*