
FOR THE **REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL**
TO BE HELD ON **TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2015 AT 6:00 P.M.**
IN THE **COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOM DAVIES SQUARE**

ADDENDUM (RESOLUTION PREPARED)

(Two-thirds Majority Required to Deal with the Addendum)

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

MANAGER'S REPORT

ADD-1 Report dated January 27, 2015 from the General Manager of Infrastructure Services regarding Cooperative Purchase of Services from Locates Service Provider, G-Tel Engineering. **2 - 3**

(RESOLUTION PREPARED)

(Next Agenda Item: **CIVIC PETITIONS**)

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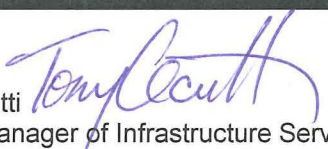

Request for Recommendation
City Council





| Type of Decision | | | | | | | |
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| Meeting Date | January 27, 2015 | | | Report Date | January 27, 2015 | | |
| Decision Requested | X | Yes | | No | Priority | X | High |
| | Direction Only | | | | Type of Meeting | X | Open |
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| Report Title |
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| Cooperative Purchase of Services from Locates Service Provider, G-Tel Engineering |

| Budget Impact/Policy Implication | | Recommendation |
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| X | This report has been reviewed by the Finance Division and the funding source has been identified. | <p>THAT the City of Greater Sudbury authorizes the General Manager of Infrastructure Services to execute an agreement and any amendments thereto with G-Tel Engineering, the locates service provider selected for the Northern Ontario Region by the Locates Alliance Consortium, to provide locate services for the City of Greater Sudbury.</p> |
| <p>The expenditures are provided for within the 2015 operating budget.</p> | | |
| X | Background Attached | Recommendation Continued |

| Recommended by the Department | Recommended by the C.A.O. |
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| <p>Tony Cecutti General Manager of Infrastructure Services</p>  | <p>Doug Nadorozny Chief Administrative Officer</p>  |

| Report Prepared By | Division Review |
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Background

At its meeting of April 23, 2013, the City of Greater Sudbury Council approved Operations Committee resolution OP2013-14, a resolution to outsource and join the Locates Alliance Consortium to meet the newly legislated requirement for locate services.

Following authorization from Council to proceed with this initiative, staff began working to implement the recommendations to come into effect during the 2014 construction season. On July 9, 2013, Council also authorized staff to enter into an agreement with Qx Ltd., which was the locates service provider competitively acquired by the Locates Alliance Consortium. The contract with Qx expires on January 31, 2015.

The Locates Alliance Consortium issued a Request for Proposals in June 2014 and the successful bidder for the Northern Ontario Region was G-Tel Engineering. In accordance with the direction of Council to obtain an external locates provider, staff are preparing to work with the new service provider G-Tel Engineering to provide locate services for the City.

Despite the fact that we understand that the Locates Alliance Consortium conducted a competitive purchasing process, staff are required to ensure that purchase of locates be compliant with the City's Purchasing By-law (By-law 2014-1). Unfortunately while cooperative purchasing, such as a purchase through the Locates Alliance Consortium, is contemplated by the Purchasing By-law, section 23 of the Purchasing By-law requires that the City only undertake cooperative purchasing where all members engaged in a cooperative acquisition are public sector, government agencies or public authorities. Despite the fact that the services of Locate Service Provider, G-Tel Engineering, were competitively acquired, this is a single source purchase because the Locates Alliance Consortium membership includes both public and private sector entities and therefore the cooperative purchasing provisions in the Purchasing By-law are not satisfied.

Conclusion

G-Tel Engineering will be, as of February 1, 2015, the locates services provider (LSP) for the Northern Ontario (ONE01) Region area as selected by the Locates Alliance Consortium. This report requests that Council delegate authority to the General Manager of Infrastructure Services to execute an agreement between the City and G-Tel Engineering for services purchased through the Locates Alliance Consortium's purchasing process. This contract would commence February 1, 2015 and end January 31, 2018 or at the expiry of any extension as provided for in the contract. This will continue to permit the City of Greater Sudbury to achieve more timely locates services for our community stakeholders during the upcoming construction seasons in accordance with our obligations under the *Underground Infrastructure Notification System Act*.