



The Corporation of the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie

Staff Report

Council Meeting Date: March 25, 2024

Subject: SRECDEV.2024.02 Paisley Bridge Flowerboxes

Report from: Jessica Pridham, Economic Development Coordinator

Appendices: None

Recommendation

Be It Resolved that Council hereby,

1. Accepts the quote from McCallum Metal Works Ltd. in the amount of \$12,741.88 (inclusive of applicable taxes) for the replacement of the Paisley Bridge Flowerboxes subsequent to grant funds being awarded to the Municipality through the Spruce the Bruce program; and
2. The funds for the costs for the Paisley Bridge Flowerboxes be removed from Account 01- 7220-4615.

Report Summary

To outline the quotations received for the replacement of Paisley Bridge Flowerboxes.

Background

After a year of reconstruction, the new Paisley bridge opened in the fall of 2023. The bridge connects Queen St. S to Queen St. N on Bruce Road 3/Queen Street in Paisley. This is a central component of the downtown streetscape. The new bridge will no longer accommodate the old flowerboxes previously installed during the summer months.

This year is the 150th year of incorporation of Paisley, and the first summer of the new Paisley bridge. There are numerous community events driving tourism to the area, and it was determined, as a downtown revitalization priority, to acquire 10 new flowerboxes.

Staff approached five (5) local manufacturers for a Request for Quotation; two (2) quotes were received.

Analysis

The quotes received are as follows:

Both quotes include:

- The fabrication of ten (10) outer boxes 10" deep x 8" high x 72" long; bottom and back plate, sides and front are bars (as per Chesley boxes);
- The fabrication of twenty (20) inner boxes
- The fabrication of fasteners to fasten outer boxes to bridge rail and inner boxes to outer boxes
- Galvanizing
- Painting to match the Paisley Bridge

McMallum Metal Works Ltd. \$11,276.00 + HST

Quote includes inner box fabricated from 3/16" thick plate for durability.

DeTech Custom Fabricating \$15,718.30 + HST

Quote includes inner boxes fabricated of black plastic.

Link to Strategic/Master Plan

6.2 Supporting Businesses and the Local Economy

Financial Impacts/Source of Funding/Link to Procurement Policy

Funds have been allocated in the 2024 approved budget for this project. However, to avoid pre-spending revitalization budgets for future years, the project is contingent upon receiving grant funds from Spruce the Bruce in the amount of \$5,788 to keep the Municipal contribution for the project under the \$6,500 allocated for Paisley Revitalization annually.

In the case that grant funds are not awarded for the project, the Municipality may choose to continue with the project, pre-spending future Paisley Revitalization budgets for 2025 towards this project (ie. Paisley will not receive a revitalization project budget in 2025 Operations Budget). Should the Spruce the Bruce funding not be successful, a future report will be brought forward to Council to determine the appropriate next steps for this project.

Approved by: Sylvia Kirkwood, Chief Administrative Officer