

## THE MUNICIPALITY OF LAMBTON SHORES

**Report DPW 19-2024**

**Council Meeting Date: August 13, 2024**

**TO:** Mayor Cook and Members of Council  
**FROM:** Nick Verhoeven, Director of Public Works  
**RE:** 2024 Capital Budget – Ontario Street Bridge Widening Project Tender Award

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT** Report DPW 19-2024 regarding the Tender award the Ontario Street Bridge Widening Project be received; and

**THAT** the Tender received from Mclean Taylor in the amount of \$7,641,793.72 net HST be accepted; and

**THAT** the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute any contract or other documents.

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### **SUMMARY**

This report presents a summary of the Tender award for the Ontario Street Bridge Widening. Staff is recommending award to Mclean Taylor.

### **BACKGROUND**

In order to address historical and ongoing traffic congestion issues, focused on the Ontario Street (highway 21) corridor, the Municipality completed a Class Environmental assessment to develop a strategy to address those issues. The Class EA ultimately recommended widening of the Ontario Street Bridge to create an additional traffic lane with related traffic and intersection improvements.

This project includes extension of the bridge footings and abutments on the east side of the bridge, complete demolition of the existing deck and replacement with a new wider deck, replacement of utilities attached to deck, intersection realignment, construction of new wider multi use paths on bridge, and intersection traffic and street lighting.

The project is scheduled to begin with utility work in September 2024. The bridge works is scheduled to start October 2024. The project is scheduled to be completed in spring 2026. Project communication will include:

- Project notices to adjacent properties providing information on the project, impacts, and key project contact information.

- Dedicated Website via Lambton Shores Municipality Website
- Weekly/Biweekly project progress updates and look ahead from the project team
- Social media updates

The Request for Tenders was released in July 2024 and closed on August 8, 2024 with 2 submissions. The results are presented below:

<b>Bidder Name</b>	<b>Bid Submission Before Tax</b>	<b>Net Cost to Lambton Shores</b>
Mclean Taylor Construction Limited	\$7,509,624.33	\$7,641,793.72
Looby Construction	\$9,428,466.22	\$9,594,407.23

In accordance with the Municipalities' purchasing policy this purchase must be awarded by Council because the contract value is over \$100,000. Staff and engineering consultant BM Ross have had the opportunity to review and confirm the low tender. The bid document was found to be complete and is acceptable contractually. Mclean Taylor is a well-known contractor capable of undertaking this type of project. As such, staff recommend award of the tender from Mclean Taylor.

### **ALTERNATIVES TO CONSIDER**

There are no alternatives. The tender for this material was released in keeping with the Municipality's Purchasing Policy to ensure the Municipality is receiving competitive prices for this work.

### **RECOMMENDED ACTIONS**

Staff are recommending that the tender for the Ontario Street Bridge Widening Project be awarded to Mclean Taylor.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The Municipality has a project budget amount of \$6,900,000 within the 2024 and future Capital Budgets. The net of HST price of the tender received from Mclean Taylor is \$7,641,793.72. There are additional project related costs including engineering, testing, and third-party utilities that are estimated to total \$750,000.

Staff recommend the project be funded as follows:

<b>Expenses</b>	
Total Project Costs	\$8,391,793.72
<b>Funding</b>	
MTO Connecting Link Funding	\$5,000,000.00

Water Reserve Fund	\$600,000.00
Wastewater Reserve Fund	\$100,000.00
Development Charges	\$2,691,793.72
<b>TOTAL FUNDING</b>	<b>\$8,391,793.72</b>

The MTO Connecting Links Funding of \$5,000,000 will be received in installments as project milestones are met. The funds are segregated in the financial statements and the funds and interest earned will be applied to the project costs as they are incurred.

### **CONSULTATION**

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BM Ross and Associates Limited, Engineering Consultant