CITY OF KELOWNA

MEMORANDUM

Date: March 17, 2004 5340-09-28 A

To: City Manager

From: Wastewater Manager

Subject: AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TE 04-02

Okaview Sanitary Sewer Specified Area No. 28A

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Contract for construction of the Sanitary Sewer Specified Area No. 28A be awarded to Con-Ex Civil Contractors for the amount of \$499,519.98 which includes GST;

AND THAT the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the Contract on behalf of the City.

BACKGROUND:

The property owners in the Okaview area have "voted" to receive sewer service through a specified area process. City Council has adopted Bylaw 9088, which authorized the borrowing of approximately \$3.3 Million for providing sewer to 252 properties in this area. The work will be done in different stages. This contract is for construction of the first phase of the work which is predominately in Rights-of-Way acquired through private properties in the area.

The Work to be performed in this Contract consists of approximately:

- 1330 m of sewer main
- 37 manholes
- 45 service connections
- Restoration work

In response to the City's invitation to Tender TE-04-02, five (5) bids were received, as shown below in order of magnitude:

Con-Ex Civil Contractors Ltd.	\$499,519.98
Arlo Construction Ltd.	\$528,377.26
Ansell Construction Ltd.	\$530,300.03
R355 Enterprises Ltd.	\$567,968.36
Acres Enterprises Ltd.	\$597,732.99

Our Consultant has reviewed the bid submissions, checked for their arithmetic accuracy and provided the City with a tender analysis, a list of the corrected bids and a recommendation. Con-Ex Civil Contractors complied with the tender specifications and drawings, and included the

specified Bid, Performance and Labour and Material Payment bonds, however they are a Contractor that we are unfamiliar with. Con-Ex is a relatively new, Kamloops based Company and because of this our Consultant investigated the capabilities and track record of some of the staff. The principals of the firm appear to have extensive construction backgrounds in work of a similar type and of a greater scope and references obtained from Kamloops Consultants indicate that the Company President and the Superintendent are knowledgeable and qualified for this type of work and have good public relations skills. Our Engineering Consultant has recommended that the Contract be awarded to Con-Ex Civil Contractors.

Prior to advertising the Invitation to Tender, our Engineering Consultant estimated the construction costs for this phase of the Construction work to be approximately \$533,000 including GST and contingency. The recommended Contractor's price is below the estimated amount. The expenditure will be interim financed until costs are recovered from the benefiting Property Owners. Funding for the project is available as a component of the Spec Area, from Account Number 40-4940-SA28A.

The construction work for this Contract is anticipated to commence in a few weeks and be completed in June, this year.

W.J. Berry, P.Eng.
Wastewater Manager

Approved for inclusion:
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Director of Works & Utilities

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