

<b>To:</b>	Warden Matrosovs and Members of Grey County Council
<b>Committee Date:</b>	March 13, 2025
<b>Subject / Report No:</b>	TR-CW-04-25
<b>Title:</b>	Award of Tender RFT-TS-01-25 for the Grey Road 12 Pulverize and Pave
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<b>Lower Tier(s) Affected:</b>	Municipality of Grey Highlands, Municipality of Meaford

## Recommendation

1. That report TR-CW-04-25 containing the tender results for RFT-TS-01-25 regarding the Grey Road 12 Pulverize and Pave project be received; and
2. That IPAC Paving Limited be awarded the tender for a total amount of \$4,729,791.77, excluding HST.

## Executive Summary

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with the results of tender RFT-TS-01-25 to pulverize and pave an 11.1 km section of Grey Road 12 between Grey Road 40 and Grey Road 112 / Sideroad 16. Five bids were received. This report recommends that tender RFT-TS-01-25 be awarded to the lowest compliant bidder, IPAC Paving Limited for a total amount of \$4,729,791.77, excluding HST.

## Background and Discussion

The tender was posted on the County's Bonfire portal from January 14, 2025, to February 20, 2025. The following bids were received.

### *RFT-TS-01-25 Tender Results*

#	Name of Bidder	Bid Amount (Excluding HST)
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1.	IPAC Paving Limited	\$4,729,791.77
2.	E.C. King Contracting	\$4,968,617.50
3.	Walker Construction Limited	\$5,099,573.30
4.	Armill Construction Limited o/a Seeley and Arnill Construction	\$5,549,557.48
5.	Cox Construction Limited	\$5,579,774.67

Being a new Contractor for Grey County, Staff completed an in-depth review of the bidder's submission and reached out to listed references and industry contacts to gain a better understanding of the workmanship of IPAC Paving Limited.

Our Contract Administration and Construction Inspection team are better prepared to handle the Contract based on this review having gained knowledge regarding the Contractor.

Beginning in 2024, Transportation Services implemented enhanced measures to oversee standard practices, ensuring all material specifications are met, and the final product surpasses expectations. Inspection staff will maintain an elevated focus on Health & Safety protocols, Quality Assurance standards, and overall workmanship to uphold the highest levels of quality and safety with all construction projects.

The project includes the following work:

- 11.1 km of pulverize and pave reconstruction
- 3.30 m lanes with 1.20 m paved shoulders
- Culvert replacements
- Guiderail replacements
- Road Platform Widening in select locations
- The anticipated project window falls between May 5, 2025 and September 19, 2025
- Grey Road 12 will be open to traffic with intermittent alternating lane closures throughout the duration of construction.

## Financial and Resource Implications

### *Project Funding*

Item	Excluding HST	Net HST
<b>Approved Total Project Budget</b>		<b>\$7,426,000.00</b>
Tender Award Amount	\$4,729,791.77	\$4,813,036.11
Construction Contingency (15%)	\$709,468.77	\$721,955.42

Budget Allocated to Geotechnical Investigations (RFT-TS-22-25)		\$23,300.00
<b>Grey County - Total Tender Projected Costs</b>	<b>\$5,439,260.54</b>	<b>\$5,558,291.52</b>
Project Surplus		\$1,867,708.48
Development Charges no longer applied to the project due to decreased project costs		\$957,952.28
Project Levy Surplus		\$909,756.20

The Grey Road 12 project is being funded with \$1,000,000 coming from the Canada Community Building Fund and \$2,078,300 being funded by the Ontario Community Infrastructure Fund (OCIF). The remaining budget is supported by investment from Development Charges and the Grey County Levy.

Post budget acceptance, scope adjustments were necessary in the final design phase following consultations with the Conservation Authority. Following consultation regarding fill in Regulated Areas, the number of platform widening areas were reduced resulting in locations with marginally narrowed paved shoulders over roughly 200 metres. This led to a revised scope compared to the one that influenced the 2025 budget.

During the bid review process, staff further identified highly competitive unit pricing on several key contract items, leading to overall lower-than-expected bid submissions even with the reduced scope. However, we remain cautious due to potential external factors such as the Asphalt Cement Price Index and potential tariffs that may still impact the project's final cost.

Based on these scope changes, Staff believe the bids submitted are highly competitive and reflect the scope of the final design.

While the project expenditures amount is under budget by \$1,867,708.48 or 25.15%, the surplus of levy funds is estimated at \$909,756.20. The reduced project expenditures will result in fewer funds being withdrawn from the Development Charges Reserve than previously budgeted, as the eligible project expenditures are now less than budgeted.

The 15.0% percent contingency is being applied to cover off possible fluctuations in the Asphalt Cement Index, the potential of imposed tariffs, and any unexpected field issues.

## Relevant Consultation

- Internal (list)
  - AODA Compliance (describe)
  - Contribution to Climate Change Action Plan Targets: Pulverize and Pave operations do not remove material from the project site, eliminating any hauling emissions related to removals. The existing asphalt is reused as granular base for the new asphalt. Widening the platform allows for paved shoulders which increases the useful service life of the asphalt and provides facilities for active transportation.

External (list)

## Appendices and Attachments

RFT-TS-01-25 Site Location Map – Grey Road 12



## SITE LOCATION MAP GREY ROAD 12