

5.9 ACCESSIBLE BUS STOP UPGRADE PROGRAM STAGE 2

(CF2008215: RWL)

Responsible Director: Paul Kearsley

RECOMMENDATION*That Council:*

1. *Subject to agreement by the Department of Transport, accept the tender from MAL Paving Pty Ltd to undertake the upgrade and installation of Tactile Ground Surface Indicators at 116 selected bus stops in various locations throughout Monash for the GST inclusive lump sum of \$240,880.70.*
2. *Notes the anticipated project expenditure of \$270,880.70 (GST exclusive) for the design, supervision and construction.*
3. *Signs and seals the contract agreement.*

BACKGROUND

The State Government is executing a program through the Department of Transport (DoT) to fund the upgrade of bus stops infrastructure to comply with the requirements of the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* (Commonwealth) and the Disability Standards for Accessible Public Transport 2002. Stage 1 of the program to upgrade bus stops in Monash was undertaken in 2008 when 25 bus stops were upgraded with full costs being recovered from DoT.

Stage 2 of the program will bring a further 116 of the estimated 900 bus stops in Monash up to the required standard. The locations where bus stops are to be upgraded are listed in Attachment A. Council has entered into an agreement with DoT for the work to be fully funded (including 10% of the direct cost for managing the works). Further government funding is expected in future years to continue the program.

SCOPE OF WORKS

The works proposed at each bus stop under this contract includes the installation of Tactile Ground Surface Indicators (TGSI's) between the footpath and road kerbing to aid visually impaired bus passengers when boarding buses, extending concrete paving to the kerb where required to provide hard standing areas for wheel-chaired impaired passengers to manoeuvre onto buses and where necessary, standardise the locations of bus stop flag poles in relation to bus doorways.

TENDER ANALYSIS

Eight (8) tenders were received for the work as follows:

| Name of Contractor |
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| MAL Paving Pty Ltd |
| Allgood Concreting & Roadworks Pty Ltd |
| Fercon Pty Ltd |

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| JA Dodd Pty Ltd |
| Australian Concrete Solutions Pty Ltd |
| Ultimate Investments Pty Ltd |
| CDN Constructors Pty Ltd |
| ELD Group Pty Ltd |

Tendered prices range from \$240,880.70 to \$640,649.00 (GST inclusive).

All but one of the tenders included a nominated \$30,000 contingency amount. This was removed for the evaluation purposes to allow comparison of the tenders.

The lowest lump sum tendered was received from MAL Paving Pty Ltd (MAL) for \$240,880.70 (GST inclusive). MAL included the contingency sum and this price has been amended after consultation with MAL. MAL has not undertaken works for the City of Monash previously, but has good references from Moonee Valley Council where MAL has successfully completed road reconstruction and footpath maintenance contracts over recent years. MAL holds accreditation under ISO 9001-2000 and has satisfied health and safety management requirements. If successful, MAL proposes to commence the contract within 4 weeks and take 8-10 weeks to complete it. Further on-site inspections of locations where MAL has previously completed works, including tactile pavers, showed MAL to be a competent contractor able to undertake these works.

Allgood Concreting & Roadworks Pty Ltd (Allgood) submitted the next lowest lump sum tender. Allgood is a good contractor who have successfully completed a range of road, footpath and drainage contracts for Council previously and is capable of undertaking the works to the standard and quality required.

Other tenders received have been assessed and have not been considered to offer the best value. It is considered that MAL offer the best value for these works.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Utilising the tender from MAL, the total project cost is estimated as follows:

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| Tender Amount (GST inclusive) | \$240,880.70 |
| GST Amount | \$21,898.25 |
| Tender Amount (GST exclusive) | \$218,982.45 |
| Contingency Amount | \$30,000.00 |
| Design & Supervision Fee (10%) | \$21,898.25 |
| Total Expected Project Cost (GST exclusive) | \$270,880.70 |

The full amount is to be claimed from and funded by DoT by agreement.

CONCLUSION

The tender from MAL Paving Pty Ltd is considered to offer the best value for this contract.

*ATTACHMENT 1***ASSESSIBLE BUS STOP UPGRADE PROGRAM STAGE 2****Locations of Bus Stops to be upgraded under the contract**

- High Street Road, Ashwood, Mount Waverley & Glen Waverley (41)
- Snedden Drive, Glen Waverley (2)
- Gallaghers Road, Glen Waverley (7)
- Remington Drive Glen Waverley (8)
- Waverley Road, Glen Waverley (4)
- Jells Road, Wheelers Hill (8)
- Grandview Road, Wheelers Hill (2)
- Marykirk Drive, Wheelers Hill (4)
- Garnett Road, Wheelers Hill (10)
- Brandon Park Drive, Mulgrave (2)
- Golf Links Avenue, Oakleigh (6)
- Golf Road, Oakleigh South (10)
- Cameron Avenue, Oakleigh South (4)
- Poath Road, Hughesdale (8)

