

4.1 TENDER FOR GENERAL PLUMBING IN COUNCIL BUILDINGS (CF2008016:PA)

Responsible Director: Peter Aumann

RECOMMENDATION

That -

- 1. The tenders from Campeyn Plumbing Pty Ltd and Brideson Plumbing Services Pty Ltd for the submitted schedule of rates be accepted for Contract No. CF2008016, General Plumbing in Council Buildings (estimated contract value, \$170,300 per annum, GST inclusive).*
- 2. The contract be awarded on the basis of an initial term of one year with options for two extensions of three years each.*
- 3. The Chief Executive Officer be authorised to execute the options in the contract subject to satisfactory performance.*
- 4. The appropriate contract documents be signed and sealed.*

INTRODUCTION

This report seeks Council's approval for the acceptance of a tender for the provision of general plumbing services in Council Buildings.

BACKGROUND

Tenders were called for the provision of general plumbing services, as the current contract being provided by Brideson Plumbing Services Pty Ltd and A.K Chapple Plumbing Pty Ltd concludes on 29 February 2008.

The contract is a schedule of rates contract with an initial term of one year, with options for two extensions of three years each, subject to satisfactory performance.

DISCUSSION

Tenders were received from Brideson Plumbing Services Pty Ltd, A.K Chapple Plumbing Pty Ltd, Omnigas Services Pty Ltd, Viney Plumbing, Campeyn Plumbing and DBS Plumbing.

Tender submissions were evaluated in accordance with Council's tendering policies and procedures using the point score method. The evaluation includes interviews and referee checks with the four lowest tenderers. Schedule of rates comparisons were made using typical quantities expected under the contract.

The criteria used to evaluate the tenders were:-

- Occupational Health and Safety Accreditation, Practices and Procedures
- Equal Employment Opportunity record, policies and practices
- All specified insurances to be in place.
- Schedule of Prices
- Experience & Personnel
- Reporting

- Demonstrated Quality of Work
- Satisfactory Reference Check for the above

The tender panel comprised:

Robert Renshaw, Manager Asset Services

Kana Kanakesewaran, Co-ordinator Building Contracts.

Trevor Byrne, Co-ordinator Building Services.

The likely annual contract value was determined by applying the estimated quantity of work to the submitted schedule of rates and material components and this amount ranged from \$150,335 to \$176,067 (GST exclusive).

From the initial evaluation process, the four highest rated tenderers were interviewed.

The highest rated and lowest priced tenderer is Campeyn Plumbing. The company has demonstrated a thorough understanding of the requirements of the specification, have very good OH&S policies and procedures and has appropriately experienced personnel. The company has undertaken major contracts for other organisations and reference checks indicate the company provides a high quality service.

The second highest rated and second lowest priced tenderer is Brideson Plumbing. This company is Council's current service provider and has good OH&S policies and procedures and is considered most capable of meeting the requirements of the contract. The quality of the company's work and responsiveness has been satisfactory.

The third highest rated and third lowest priced tenderer is Omnigas Plumbing Pty Ltd. The company demonstrated good OH&S policies and procedures and reference checks have indicated that they have satisfactorily undertaken similar projects for other organisations and produced high quality work.

The fourth highest rated and fifth lowest priced tenderer A.K Chapple Pty Ltd, is also a current supplier of plumbing services to Council. The company demonstrated good OH&S policies and procedures and have been satisfactorily undertaking the works for Council in the past and are considered proficient in providing the required service.

For the likely workloads required through the year and to obtain a high level of responsiveness, it is considered that two contractors are needed for this contract.

FINANCIAL

The estimated contract amounts are similar to previous years and funding for the works is contained within the operational budget. The contract is subject to a rise and fall clause in line with CPI movements for each year beyond the initial period.

CONCLUSION

Based upon the evaluation criteria, it is recommended that the tenders from Campeyn Plumbing Pty Ltd and Brideson Plumbing Services Pty Ltd be accepted for the provision of general plumbing.