5.10 DRAINAGE UPGRADE WORKS – AMAROO STREET TO ALOOMBA STREET, CHADSTONE  
(CF2011049: RL)  
Ward: Mount Waverley  
Responsible Director: Paul Kearsley

**RECOMMENDATION**

That:

1. Council accepts the adjusted tender from Comar Constructions Pty Ltd to upgrade the stormwater drainage between Amaroo Street and Aloomba Street, Chadstone for the lump sum of $430,188.00 (GST inclusive).

2. That the anticipated project expenditure of $435,080.00 (GST exclusive) for the construction, design and supervision (which includes $42,980.00 for Provisional Items based on actual quantities) be noted.

3. That the Chief Executive Officer be authorised to sign and seal the contract documents.

**BACKGROUND**

Strategic drainage works to the west, downstream of Aloomba Street, Chadstone were previously completed some time ago as part of a program to upgrade stormwater drainage in this area. The upgraded drain was extended along Elaroo Street terminating near Aloomba Street. The works under this contract will extend the drain eastwards to Amaroo Street at Bambil Street and collect stormwater discharging to this point.

**SCOPE OF WORKS**

The works include the supply and laying of approximately 300 metres of drainage pipes ranging in size from 900mm to 300mm diameter and 16 drainage pits of various types in roadways and property easements together with ancillary works, including concrete paving replacement and house drain replacement and landscaping.

**ANALYSIS**

Five tenders were received to undertake the proposed construction works.  
Lump sum prices submitted ranged from $419,874.40 to $770,312.18 (GST inclusive).

The lowest tender was received from Comar Constructions Pty Ltd (Comar) for an amount of $389,204.00 (GST exclusive). Comar has subsequently requested that this amount be adjusted to $391,080.00 (GST exclusive) due to an arithmetic error detected by Council in Comar’s Schedule of Prices. The tendered price includes provisional items to the value of $42,980.00 that will be paid based on actual quantities. Comar has satisfactorily undertaken a number of civil construction works for Council, the most recent being the Brandon Park Reserve Stages 1 and 2 Drainage Works. Comar has been assessed as being capable of completing the works. Comar would be able to start works on this project in December 2010 and take 9 working weeks to complete.
The remaining contractors’ tenders are greater than the lowest tenderer and, for this contract, have been assessed as not providing best value to Council.

Comar has extensive experience in major drainage works and its tender is considered to offer the best value for this contract.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Utilising Comar’s adjusted tender, the total contract cost is estimated to be:

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Council has budgeted $916,000 for Strategic Drainage works within the 2010/11 Capital Works Budget. Funds for these works will come from this program.

**IMPLEMENTATION**

Upon Council awarding the Contract, the necessary documentation will be executed. The works are expected to commence in December 2010 and be completed by March 2011.

**CONCLUSION**

The Assessment Panel concur that the adjusted tender submission from Comar Constructions Pty Ltd is considered to offer Council the best value.