

## City of North Bay Report to Council

Report No: CORP-2025-018

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Business Unit:  
Corporate Services

Department:  
Financial Services Department

Subject: Request for Tender 2024-094 Premier Road Sidewalk Program

Closed Session: yes  no

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### Recommendation

That City Council:

1. approves the award of a contract to Pioneer Construction Inc. in the amount of \$2,172,196.98 (plus HST) for the provision of RFT 2024-094 Premier Road Sidewalk Program; and
2. acknowledges the pre-commitment against the 2025 General Capital Budget as authorized through RTC CORP 2024-100 - Approval of 50% of the Prior Year's Capital Funding Envelope.

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### Background

The City of North Bay has been successful in obtaining federal and provincial funding to complete the installation of sidewalks and stormwater improvements on numerous streets throughout the City. The funding was provided in two phases with Phase 1 sidewalk program under construction from 2021 - 2026 and Phase 2 sidewalk program starting in 2025 and will be complete in 2032.

The sidewalk program is a multi-year construction project that will benefit the neighborhoods that do not have existing sidewalks available to offer safe and reliable travel for pedestrians to and from existing transit stops and along the transit route. It provides for the construction of sidewalks on one side of the road in various locations throughout the City that currently have transit

routes. Depending on the sidewalk location within the City, the installation of sidewalks will also include the installation of storm sewers and/or ditches, curb & gutter where possible, restoration, and partial asphalt paving including granular road base.

This request for tender applies to the construction of sidewalks and stormwater improvements on Premier Road including the resurfacing Premier Road from the unopened Fowler right-of-way to Champlain Park.

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### **Financial/Legal Implications**

A formal bid request, which closed Date, was administered by the Purchasing Department and was publicly advertised in accordance with the City's Purchasing By-Law 2013-200, as amended. Five (5) bids were evaluated by the Purchasing Manager. Price was the sole criteria being evaluated.

The results are as follows:

<b>Ranking</b>	<b>Company</b>	<b>Bid Price</b>
1	Pioneer Construction Inc.	\$2,172,196.98
2	D Rock Paving	\$2,318,782.14
3	Ed Seguin and Sons Trucking and Paving Ltd	\$2,548,597.02
4	Kenalex Construction Co. Ltd.	\$2,598,594.00
5	Canor Construction	\$3,359,926.88

The bid from Pioneer Construction Inc. was the lowest compliant bid and provides the best overall value to the City. Their bid is considered fair and reasonable.

Funding for this project is available in Capital Project No. 4330TR – Construction of Sidewalks for Transit Routes – Phase 2 which has a total budget of \$2,055,197. Additional funding in the amount of \$806,000 is required in order to complete this project, including the balance of the contract, non-rebated HST, geotechnical, etc. This funding has been included in the project through the 2025 General Capital Budget and it is acknowledged that the award of this contract will represent a pre-commitment against the 2025 General Capital Budget as authorized through RTC CORP 2024-100 - Approval of 50% of the Prior Year's Capital Funding Envelope.

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### **Corporate Strategic Plan**

- Natural North and Near
- Affordable Balanced Growth
- Responsible and Responsive Government
- Economic Prosperity
- Spirited Safe Community

### **Specific Objectives**

Maintain infrastructure across the city in a good state of repair.  
Consider all aspects of decisions to fund new infrastructure.

Maximize funding opportunities with other governments.

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## **Options Analysis**

Option 1: That City Council approves the award of a contract to Pioneer Construction Inc. in the amount of \$2,172,196.98 (plus HST) for the construction of sidewalks and stormwater improvements on Premier Road; and that Council acknowledges the pre-commitment against the 2025 General Capital Budget as authorized through RTC CORP 2024-100 - Approval of 50% of the Prior Year's Capital Funding Envelope.

Option 2: Do not award a contract. This option is not recommended because funding from the various levels of government may be forfeited.

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## **Recommended Option**

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Respectfully submitted,

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Title: Senior Project Manager

## **We concur with this report and recommendation.**

Name: Adam Lacombe, P. Eng.  
Title: Senior Capital Program Engineer

Name: Alan Korell, P.Eng.  
Title: Interim City Engineer

Name: Margaret Karpenko, CPA, CMA  
Title: Chief Financial Officer /Treasurer

Name: John Severino, P.Eng, MBA  
Title: Chief Administrative Officer

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Name: Gerry McCrank, C.E.T., LEL

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