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**Subject**: Award of Contract 2025-T-13 Annual Strengthening and Resurfacing Program – Part 1 – Region Wide

Report to: Public Works Committee

Report date: Tuesday, May 6, 2025

### Recommendations

 That Contract 2025-T-13 Annual Strengthening and Resurfacing Program – Part 1 – Region Wide, **BE AWARDED** to the lowest compliant bidder, Brennan Paving – Niagara, a division of Brennan Paving & Construction Ltd., at their bid price of \$6,123,647.41 (including 13% HST).

## **Key Facts**

- The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval to award Contract 2025-T-13 Annual Strengthening and Resurfacing Program – Part 1 – Region Wide, to the lowest compliant bidder, Brennan Paving – Niagara, a division of Brennan Paving & Construction Ltd.
- The Region issued a public tender for this project and received three (3) bids. The lowest compliant bid was received from Brennan Paving Niagara, a division of Brennan Paving & Construction Ltd., at a bid price of \$5,419,157 (excluding HST).
- This project includes two main bodies of work, annual resurfacing of road segments noted in Appendix 3 to Report PW 21-2025 and safety improvements on Regional Road 83 (Carlton Street) resulting from an In-Service Road Safety Review.
- There are sufficient funds available to award this contract. \$13,000,000 has been approved under capital Project 20002146 (25-Annual Roads Resurfacing Program), and a total of \$1,750,000 has been approved under capital Project 20001939 (24-Road Safety Strategic Plan).
- The Purchasing By-law 02-2016, as amended, in accordance with Schedule B, requires that Council approve tender awards greater than \$5,000,000.

# **Financial Considerations**

## Sufficient Funds Available to Award Tender

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval to award Contract 2025-T-13 Annual Strengthening and Resurfacing Program – Part 1 – Region Wide, to the lowest compliant bidder, Brennan Paving – Niagara, a division of Brennan Paving & Construction Ltd., at a value of \$5,514,545 (including non-recoverable HST).

- Council has approved \$13,000,000 as part of the 2025 capital budget for Transportation Services under Project 20002146 (25-Annual Roads Resurfacing Program). No expenses have been made against this project to date. The anticipated funds required from Project 20002146 are \$5,132,232 (including nonrecoverable HST).
- Council has further approved \$1,750,000 under Project 20001939 (24-Road Safety Strategic Plan) of which \$750,000 was approved as part of the 2024 capital budget and \$1,000,000 was approved as part of the 2025 capital budget. To date, approximately \$14,000 has been expensed against this project. The anticipated funds required from Project 20001939 are \$382,313 (including non-recoverable HST).

# Analysis

### Staff Recommend Award

The Region issued a public tender process on January 31, 2025, to obtain bids for Contract 2025-T-13 Annual Strengthening and Resurfacing Program – Part 1 – Region Wide. Niagara Region received three (3) electronic bids on February 28, 2025. All bids were compliant.

Staff recommend award of Contract 2025-T-13 Annual Strengthening and Resurfacing Program – Part 1 – Region Wide to Brennan Paving – Niagara, a division of Brennan Paving & Construction Ltd., at their bid price \$5,419,157 (excluding HST) as noted in Appendix 2 to Report PW 21-2025.

## Two Components of the Project: Resurfacing Works and Safety Improvements

Contract 2025-T-13 Annual Strengthening and Resurfacing Program – Part 1 – Region Wide involves two components of work:

- Resurfacing the road segments shown in Appendix 3 to Report PW 21-2025. Resurfacing increases the service life of roads by improving their structural integrity. This allows the Region to defer the larger capital investment needed to rebuild the road until a later date and realize the full-service life of Road assets.
- Safety improvements on Regional Road 83 Carlton Street between Ontario Street and Lake Street, in the City of St. Catharines, including curb bump outs, pedestrian crossovers and line marking. These improvements are a recommendation of a previously completed In-Service Road Safety Review.

# **Alternatives Reviewed**

Do Not Award the Contract (Not Recommended), this would see the existing roadways deteriorate beyond repair, prompting the need for premature capital replacement.

# **Relationship to Council Strategic Priorities**

The recommendation relates to the Effective Region Strategic Priority. The strategic investment in the assets in this program maximize the asset service life and value through properly timed improvements throughout the transportation network in the Niagara Region.

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# Appendices

Appendix 1Key PlanAppendix 2Summary of Bids ReceivedAppendix 3Road Segments