

REPORT TITLE: **REPLACEMENT SCHOOL FOR ST. CHARLES CATHOLIC SCHOOL- Tender Award**
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Project Background:

1. In 2016, the Board's Capital Plan was submitted to the Ministry of Education with the replacement of St. Charles Catholic School with a 2-room Child Care facility being the number one capital priority for the Board. On November 21, 2016, the Ministry approved the construction of a 470-pupil place replacement school with a 2-room Child Care facility. On December 21, 2017 the Ministry of Education announced funding to increase the size of the Child Care facility to include an Infant Room. In the fall of 2017, staff began the development of the design concepts for the new facility and presented the plans to the Board at the March 7, 2018 meeting. On October 20, 2020 the Ministry gave approval to proceed with the tender. On November 19, 2020, tenders for the construction were released.
2. This report provides the Board with an update on the project tender developments including a recommendation to award the construction project.

Comments:

3. School Construction Tenders. Tenders for the school construction were issued to the ten Board-approved pre-qualified General Contractors and five submissions were received at tender closing on January 12, 2021. Everstrong Construction Ltd.; Garritano Bros Ltd.; Jasper Construction Corp.; Monteith Building Group Ltd.; and Pre-Eng Contracting Ltd. did not submit a bid. The tendered prices from the five firms are:

Tambro Construction Ltd., Guelph	\$ 15,200,000.00
JR Certus Construction Co. Ltd., Vaughn	\$ 16,995,000.00
Struct-con Construction Ltd., Brampton	\$ 18,023,483.00
Torcom Construction inc., North York	\$ 18,590,000.00
Percon Construction Inc., Toronto	\$ 20,950,000.00

4. The Board's project architect is recommending the contract be awarded to Tambro Construction Ltd. See the attached architect letter of recommendation. With all project costs considered, including building permit fees, consultants, furniture and equipment, etc. their bid of \$15,200,000 is within the allocated funding streams.
5. Approvals. The Board Planning and Capital staff have been working with the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury staff on the Site Plan Agreement and required terms, which will allow for the issuance of the Building Permit. These municipal approvals are expected to be received shortly
6. Schedule. Tambro Construction Ltd. is prepared to commence on-site work within a reasonable amount of time upon receipt of a Letter of Intent to Award Contract. Per their acceptance of the bid documents, they are prepared to achieve Substantial Performance of the Work by October 30, 2022 with an August 22, 2022 occupancy of the new building for readiness of the September 2022 school year start-up.

7. COVID-19. On January 12, 2021 the Ministry of Health issued the document “Enhancing Public Health and Workplace Safety Measures in the Province-wide Shutdown”. The information contained in this document was intended to communicate a summary of information about COVID-19 measures that came into effect in Ontario between Tuesday January 12, 2021 and Thursday, January 14, 2021. The document identified that construction is permitted to proceed for projects and services that support the operations of, and provide new capacity in schools and child care centres.

Recommendation:

That the Board approve and award the construction of the St. Charles Catholic Replacement School to Tambro Construction Ltd. at the tendered price of \$15,200,000 plus taxes, subject to municipal approvals.