



Date: March 22, 2001

**TO: Board Members - Parks and Recreation**  
**FROM: General Manager - Parks and Recreation**  
**SUBJECT: HASTINGS PARK PHASE 3B EMPIRE BOWL  
CONTRACT AWARD**

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## **RECOMMENDATION**

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| <p><b>A. THAT the Board approve the award of Tender T-2001-4, to Matcon Excavating Ltd. for \$1,350,000.00 to implement construction of Hastings Park Phase 3 B Empire Bowl.</b></p> <p><b>B. THAT no legal rights shall arise hereby and none shall arise until execution of the contemplated contract. The Board may rescind this resolution at any time up to the execution of the contemplated contract.</b></p> |
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## **POLICY**

Contracts in excess of \$300,000 are awarded by the Board.

## **BACKGROUND**

Phase 1, completed in the summer of 1998 involved the demolition of the Food, Showmart, Display Barns and BC Pavilion Buildings. Phase 2, the Sanctuary, was completed in the summer of 1999. It is a verdant refuge planted in indigenous species and encompasses four hectares, with a storm water retention pond covering approximately 1.6 hectares.

The development of Phase 3 which is included in the 2000-2002 Capital Plan consists of three phases: Phase 3A, the Italian Rain Gardens (completion, 2000); Phase 3B, Empire Bowl Playing Fields (completion 2001) and field house (completion 2002), and Phase 3C, the Sanctuary Extension (completion 2002). City Council on January 19, 2001 approved \$2,690,000 for the Empire Bowl Project.

## **DISCUSSION**

The subject of this report is the development of Phase 3B, Empire Bowl Playing Fields. This redevelopment of the former Empire Stadium will provide additional sports facilities for the community including two sand based, irrigated, turf soccer fields, two softball diamonds and a

perimeter granular pathway. Landscaping will include perimeter trees and grassed banks. The field house will be constructed under a separate contract.

The Hastings Park Working Committee has been involved in developing the overall concept and sports groups have been consulted in designating the fields.

The following tender bids were received:

<b>Name of Bidder</b>	<b>Bid Price</b>	<b>Union or Open Shop</b>
B & B Contracting Ltd.	\$1,316,600.00	Union
Matcon Excavating Ltd.	\$1,350,000.00	Open
Maplewood Landscaping Ltd.	\$1,370,000.00	Union
C.A.P. Ventures Ltd.	\$1,618,900.00	Open
Wilco Landscaping Contractors Ltd.	\$1,696,000.00	Open
Bel Contracting - Division of Bel Pacific	\$1,873,065.00	Union
Delta Aggregates Ltd.	\$1,911,000.00	Union
Chet Construction Ltd.	\$2,068,000.00	Open
Double M. Excavating Ltd.	\$2,393,453.00	Open

## **SUMMARY**

The estimated total construction budget for this project is \$2,222,070. Consultants and staff have reviewed the bids. The lowest bidder, B & B Contracting Ltd., did not comply with the timing set out in the tender, under Instructions to Bidders, Item No. 19.2: "The contractor shall commence work on the project within (5) days of notice of award with substantial completion by October 31, 2001." B & B Contracting has scheduled 40 weeks to complete the project. The second highest bidder, Matcon Excavating Ltd., has scheduled completion of the project within 20 weeks which would comply with the October 31, 2001 substantial completion date. Consultants and staff recommend Matcon Excavating Ltd. be awarded the contract. Approval by the Board of the award of the contract to redevelop Empire Bowl means that the development of the park can continue. Empire Bowl sports fields will be operational by September 2002.

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