

DATE: February 4, 1997

**SUBJECT: AWARD OF CONTRACTS FOR SUPPLY OF 30MM  
ORNAMENTAL TREES**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT contracts for the purchase of trees in the amount of \$72,150 plus tax be awarded to low bidders as outlined in this report.**

**BOARD POLICY**

Contracts in excess of \$50,000 are awarded by Board

**BACKGROUND**

Arboriculture economizes by purchasing immature trees and grow them to plantable size at its nursery operation in Langley. Approximately 2600 such trees are being purchased to replace those that were planted in 1996. The Supervisor of Arboriculture and the Purchasing Manager recommend that the Board award the following items, as per quotation 96-96.

| <b>Contractor</b>            | <b>Item Numbers*</b>       | <b>Value</b>        |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Piroche Plants Inc.          | Items 1, 3, 6, 11, 14, 15  | \$28,700 plus taxes |
| Cannor Nurseries Ltd         | Items 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 12 | \$38,650 plus taxes |
| Reimers Nurseries Ltd        | Items 8, 10                | \$4,800 plus taxes  |
| Hutchinson Nursery Sales Ltd | nil                        |                     |
| Total Cost of Award of Trees |                            | \$72,150 plus taxes |

\* Item numbers represent different tree species. Details are available in the Purchasing Managers office.

All awards are low bids with the items 3 and 6 being awarded to 2 low bids due to insufficient stock available from lowest bidder. Items 9, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18 were cancelled due to either no bids received, not to specifications or bid did not provide good value to the Board.

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