

Date: July 17, 1997

**SUBJECT: CONTRACT AWARDS**

**RECOMMENDATION**

***THAT the General Manager be authorized to award contracts in excess of \$50,000 during the Board's summer break period from July 29 to September 15, 1997, if required, and in accordance with the conditions as outlined in this report.***

**BOARD POLICY**

Current Purchasing Policies stipulate that all contracts in excess of \$50,000 must be awarded by the Board.

**DISCUSSION**

The Board's last meeting before summer break is July 28, 1997, with the next meeting scheduled for September 15, 1997. This leaves a seven week period during which the administration has no authority to award contracts in excess of \$50,000. A review of the bid contracts indicate that there will be a number of awards required to be made during this period i.e. Hastings Park Demolition and Marpole Oakridge Exterior Refinishing.

It is therefore, being recommended that the General Manager be given the authority to award contracts in excess of \$50,000 if the following conditions are met:

- (a) Approved funding for the project is available in the budget.
- (b) The award is given on the basis of low bid or best value as outlined in the Purchasing Policy.
- (c) Details of all such awards to be reported to the Board in September, 1997.

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