Date: September 15, 2000



TO: Board Members - Parks and Recreation

FROM: General Manager - Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: ARBUTUS GREENWAY PHASE 2: CONTRACT AWARD

RECOMMENDATION

A. THAT the Board approve the award of Tender T-2000-24, to Wilco Landscape Contractors Ltd. for the price of \$575,000 to implement construction of Phase 2 of the Arbutus Greenway

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.

POLICY

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

BACKGROUND

In May 1997, Council approved the Arbutus Neighbourhood Greenway Concept Plan designed by Durante Kreuk Ltd and authorized the use of Community Amenity Contributions to fund the greenway. Funding for construction of Phase I and Phase II was in the amount of \$1,350,000. The Park Board was given the responsibility of coordinating the final design and implementing construction of the project. On November 20, 1998 the Board retained consultants Durante Kreuk Ltd. to develop working drawings and specifications for the project. A copy of the concept plan which was approved by Council in 1997 was attached to the Board report.

Phase I construction was completed in December of 1999. The amount remaining for Phase II is \$864,098.

DISCUSSION

The conceptual design was based on a variety of open spaces including a lighted, landscaped corridor accommodating pedestrians and cyclists and a central lawn space. An open space, termed the Brew Master's Garden, included in Phase I, features references to the old Brewery

which occupied the site. Phase I extends eastward from Vine Street to Yew Street.

In Phase II the landscaped corridor is continued eastward from Yew Street to Arbutus Street. In addition to the central lawn there is a Rose Garden adjacent to 10th Avenue and the Kettle Yard on a grass mound at Yew which features a large gazebo and a playground. This Phase is proceeding in conjunction with the completion of adjacent residential properties.

The following tender quotations were received on September 14, 2000:

NAME OF BIDDER	BID PRICE	UNION or OPEN SHOP
Wilco Landscape Contractors	\$575,000	Open shop
UCC Group	\$757,500	Open shop
Maplewood Landscaping	\$788,000	Union

The consultants, Durante Kreuk Ltd, have reviewed the tenders submitted and find them all in order. Staff concur with their recommendation that the bid of Wilco Landscape Contractors Ltd be accepted. The construction budget for Phase II is \$864,098. The low bid of \$575,000 is well within the budget.

SUMMARY

Approval by the Board of the award of the contract to construct Phase II of the Greenway will allow the project to get started immediately and planting will be completed by the early summer of 2001.

Prepared by:

Planning & Operations Division Board of Parks & Recreation Vancouver, B.C. (CBL/cbl)