Request for Decision City Council



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Meeting Date	ting Date October 11, 2006					October 5, 2006		
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Report Title

Noise By-law Exemption - Pioneer Construction, Contract 2006-16 Kingsway Four Laning

Budget Impact / Policy Implication

This report has been reviewed by the Finance Division and the funding source has been identified.

Policy Implication:

Pioneer Construction has requested an exemption to Chapter 776 of the former City of Sudbury Municipal Code (Noise By-law).

Budget Impact:

There is no financial impact associated with this Request for Decision.

Recommendation

THAT Staff supports Pioneer's request for an exemption to the Noise By-law to permit a 24/7 operation as described in this and the earlier report, all in accordance with the report from the General Manager of Infrastructure and Emergency Services dated October 5, 2006.

X Background Attached

Recommendation Continued

Recommended by the Department

Alan Stephen General Manager, Infrastructure & Emergency Services Recommended by the C.A.O.

Mark Mieto
Chief Administrative Officer

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Date: October 5, 2006

Report Prepared By

Division Review

R. G. (Greg) Clausen, P. Eng.
City Engineer

BACKGROUND

At the September 27, 2006 Council meeting, Council deferred this request and asked the City Engineer to obtain additional information from Pioneer Construction. A copy of the initial report is attached as **Appendix I**.

Staff met with Mr. Ken Edwards, Vice-President, Operations, of Pioneer Construction and obtained the following additional information.

The current road contract requires that the five lane section of the Kingsway project between Falconbridge Road and Levesque Street be completed by September 30, 2007.

The contractor is advising that if he receives permission to work 24/7, this section of roadway will be completed by July 15, 2007. This would complete this section of roadway construction approximately 10 weeks earlier and would significantly reduce the impact on tourist traffic through this corridor. There would be similar benefit to all local residents by having this phase of the project completed earlier.

The Contractor proposes to shut down all construction work between December 22, 2006 and January 8, 2007. Therefore, there will be no disruption to local traffic during the Christmas period.

The contractor proposes to carry out night time road building operations including excavation and hauling of either excavated or blasted materials, building of road bases including culvert installations and base lift of roadway asphalt.

All blasting activities and final paving will be done during daylight working hours for safety and quality control reasons.

As part of this project, the Contractor will be recycling the existing roadway asphalt and granular sub-base materials. These materials will be removed from the work site and hauled to their industrial mall project located at the southwest corner of the Kingsway and the Provincial SE By-Pass intersection. The excavated materials will be crushed and processed on the mall site on a 24/7 basis then returned to the road project site as road sub-base fill materials.

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Pioneer is also proposing to provide granular materials on this project from rock crushed from their industrial mall project. They are also requesting permission from the City to operate this rock crusher 24/7 only while providing materials for this road project. They have applied to the Ministry of Natural Resources for a quarries exemption permit for this phase of the project.

Because of noise concerns raised by abutting residents, Pioneer has agreed to install and regularly monitor additional noise monitoring equipment adjacent to all residential areas. If any elevated noise recordings are obtained above acceptable standards from the crushing operations, the operation will be immediately shut down until remedial action can be implemented.

RECOMMENDATION

The advantages to the community, including local tourism activities, in having this phase of the project completed by July 15, 2007 instead of September 30, 2007 are significant. We are confident that the impact on local residences will be minimal and believe that Pioneer's proposed remedial contingency plans should address the residents' concerns.

Staff supports Pioneer's request for an exemption to the Noise By-law to permit a 24/7 operation as described in this and the earlier report.

Request for Decision City Council



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Report Title

NOISE BY-LAW EXEMPTION - PIONEER CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT 2006-16 KINGSWAY FOUR LANING

Budget Impact & Policy Implication

This report has been reviewed by the Finance Division and the funding source has been identified.

Policy Implication:

Pioneer Construction has requested an exemption to Chapter 776 of the former City of Sudbury Municipal Code (Noise By-law).

Budget Impact:

There is no financial impact associated with this Request for Decision.

Recommendation

THAT this Council has no objection to the granting of an exemption to Chapter 776 of the former City of Sudbury Municipal Code (Noise By-law) to Pioneer Construction for Contract 2006-16 Kingsway Four Laning, which involves the excavation of earth and rock, crushing, pulverizing, granular placement and asphalt pavement;

AND THAT exemption to Chapter 776 of the former City of Sudbury Municipal Code (Noise By-law) be granted for 24 hours per day, 7 days per week from September 28, 2006 to July 15, 2007;

AND THAT Pioneer Construction advise the City of Greater Sudbury when paving will commence;

AND THAT approval of this exemption be subject to Pioneer Construction providing public notice of this construction activity.

X Background Attached

Recommendation Continued

Recommended by the Department

Caroline Hallswortb

Executive Director of Administrative Services

Recommended by the C.A.O.

Mark Mieto

Chief Administrative Office

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Date: September 21, 2006

Report Prepared By

Corrie-Jo Caporale Council Secretary

Division Review

Angie Haché City Clerk

Background:

A letter dated September 1, 2006 was received from Mr. K. Edwards, Vice-President, Operations, Pioneer Construction requesting an exemption to Chapter 776 of the former City of Sudbury Municipal Code (Noise By-law) for Contract 2006-16 Kingsway Four Laning.

Pioneer Construction is requesting permission to work 24 hours per day, 7 days per week on the above project from September 28, 2006 to July 15, 2007. This would include earth and rock excavation, crushing pulverizing, granular placement and asphalt pavement and would be constructed at night as well as 24 hours per day, when safe to do so, to efficiently expedite the job and reduce the impact of the construction on the travelling public.

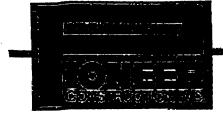
This request has been circulated to the Executive Officer to the Chief of Police, the City Solicitor, the Manager of By-law Enforcement Services, and the City Engineer. No comments or conditions have been received.

Attach.

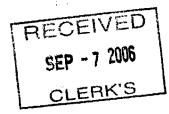
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September 1, 2006

City of Greater Sudbury P.O. Box 5000, Station 'A' Sudbury, Ontario P3A 5P3

Attn: Greg Clausen

Dear Sir;

RE: Contract 2006-16 Kingsway Four Laning Falconbridge Hwy to S/E By-Pass

The purpose of this letter is a request for permission to work 24 hours per day, 7 days per week on the above project. Some of the operations including earth and rock excavation, crushing, pulverizing, granular placement and asphalt pavement when safe to do so would be constructed at night as well as 24 hours per day to efficiently expedite the job. This will also reduce the impact of the construction on the traveling public.

Other components of the work such as trenching and pipe placement, drilling and blasting would be done daytime only due to safety concerns.

Trusting this is in order and awaiting your response, we remain,

Yours truly,

Ken Edwards, V.P., Operations.

CC: John Bulfon Kevin Shaw RECEIVED SEP - 1 2006

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