

**ITEM 11. TENDER - RETAINING WALL AND BEAM REMEDIATION AT
THOMSON STREET DARLINGHURST**

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SUMMARY

This report provides details of the tenders received for retaining wall and beam remediation at Thomson Street, Darlinghurst.

Thomson Street, Darlinghurst is located behind an old quarry and has sections of the road and footway that are supported by a retaining wall.

Structural engineers assessed the retaining wall and determined that repair works are required.

The repair works involve rust treatment and corrosion prevention of the steel beams that support the wall, followed by footway reconstruction above the repaired beams.

The site for the remediation work shares a boundary with the SCEGGS Darlinghurst School. The property manager for the School has agreed to allow the City to access the beams during school holidays.

This report recommends that Council accept the tender offer of Tenderer 'A' for retaining wall and beam remediation at Thomson Street, Darlinghurst.

RECOMMENDATION

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council accept the tender offer of Tenderer 'A' for retaining wall and beam remediation at Thomson Street, Darlinghurst; and
- (B) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer the contracts relating to the tender.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Photographs of Wall and Beams and Site Map

Attachment B: Tender Evaluation Summary (Confidential)

(As Attachment B is confidential, it will be circulated separately from the agenda paper and to Councillors and relevant senior staff only.)

BACKGROUND

1. The City has an ongoing program that assesses the condition of its structural assets including bridges, retaining walls, seawalls, fences and stairs.
2. Thomson Street, Darlinghurst is located behind an old quarry and has sections of the road and footway that are supported by a retaining wall. The retaining wall that supports the road and footway has been identified for remediation. Photographs of the wall and beams are shown in Attachment A.
3. The retaining wall was constructed with sandstone blocks and steel beams.
4. The wall has been assessed by a structural engineer who has provided recommendations to preserve the stability of the road and footway, including:
 - (a) rust treatment and corrosion prevention of the steel beams; and
 - (b) footway reconstruction above the repaired beams.
5. The site for the remediation work shares a boundary with the SCEGGS Darlinghurst School. The property manager for the school has agreed to allow the City to access the beams during school holidays.

INVITATION TO TENDER

6. The Invitation to Tender period was open from 23 June 2015 to 21 July 2015. The Tender was advertised in The Daily Telegraph, The Sydney Morning Herald and on the e-tendering portal.

TENDER SUBMISSIONS

7. Six submissions were received from the following organisations (listed alphabetically):
 - Civil Works Pty Ltd
 - Gongues Constructions Pty Ltd
 - Murphy's Construction Group Pty Ltd
 - Quality Management & Constructions Pty Ltd T/As QMC Group
 - Silver Raven Pty Ltd
 - Sporting Services (Const) Pty Ltd T/As Pan Civil
8. No late submissions were received.

TENDER EVALUATION

9. All members of the Tender Evaluation Panel have signed Pecuniary Interest Declarations. No pecuniary interests were noted.
10. The relative ranking of tenders as determined from the total weighted score is provided in the confidential Tender Evaluation Summary – Attachment B.

11. All submissions were assessed in accordance with the approved evaluation criteria being:
- (a) demonstrated experience in works of a similar nature;
 - (b) demonstrated key personnel, qualifications, managerial capability and number of personnel;
 - (c) proposed program and capacity to deliver project to required timeframe;
 - (d) proposed methodology, pedestrian and traffic management, environmental management;
 - (e) Work Health and Safety;
 - (f) financial and commercial trading integrity including insurances; and
 - (g) the lump sum price and schedule of prices.

PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT

12. In entering into the contract, the City will ensure that performance standards are met and monitored during the project by:
- (a) carrying out regular inspections to ensure the company remains on track with regard to the program and the quality of work;
 - (b) ensuring the company complies with the scope of work described in the tender specifications; and
 - (c) completing the project as specified in the tender documents.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

13. There are sufficient funds allocated for this project within the current year's capital works budget.

RELEVANT LEGISLATION

14. The tender has been conducted in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993, the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 and the City's Contracts Policy.
15. Attachment B contains confidential commercial information of the tenderers and details of Council's tender evaluation and contingencies which, if disclosed, would:
- (a) confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; and
 - (b) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.
16. Discussion of the matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest because it would compromise Council's ability to negotiate fairly and commercially to achieve the best outcome for its ratepayers.

17. The works do not require a Development Application as they are categorised as emergency work in accordance with SEPP Part 2, 17 (Exemptions), clause (e) exempt development.

CRITICAL DATES / TIME FRAMES

18. Once approved, the project will commence in January 2016. A section of the work requires access from within SCEGGS Darlinghurst school property and will be completed before the school term commences in January 2016.
19. The work to the retaining wall is expected to be completed in March 2016.

OPTIONS

20. Not proceeding with the work could lead to further deterioration of the wall structure.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

21. Local residents will be notified by letter prior to the project commencing.
22. It has been agreed, after discussions with SCEGGS Darlinghurst, that the work requiring access from within the school property will be done during the school holidays.

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