

Tender - Wilson and Burren Street Cycleway

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Summary

This report provides details of the tenders received for the Wilson and Burren Street Cycleway.

The Wilson Street and Burren Street Cycleway project will provide separated cycleways and complete the cycling connection from Newtown to the eastern side of the CBD and the Inner West.

Council approved the concept design scope for the Wilson and Burren Street Cycleway project on 27 March 2017. On 13 December 2017, the Local Pedestrian, Cycling and Traffic Calming Committee endorsed the proposed design, and on 13 August 2018 the turn restrictions into Brocks Lane, Newtown were approved by Council.

This report recommends that Council accept the tender offer of Tenderer G for the construction of the Wilson and Burren Street Cycleway.

Recommendation

It is resolved that:

- (A) Council accept the tender offer of Tenderer G for the construction of the Wilson and Burren Street Cycleway; and
- (B) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate, execute and administer the contracts relating to the tender.

Attachments

Attachment A. Tender Evaluation Summary (Confidential)

Background

1. The Cycling Strategy and Action Plan was first adopted by the City in 2007, and subsequently incorporated in full into the City's long term strategic plan, Sustainable Sydney 2030. The City has since planned and largely implemented the delivery of the first suite of infrastructure projects.
2. The majority of the Wilson and Burren Street Cycleway provides a separated cycleway, with the section on Pine Street as an on-road bike lane.
3. The proposal will deliver a range of improvements to pedestrian amenity and safety. It integrates a series of streetscape and footpath amenity improvements that will improve connections between popular destinations and provide a more liveable, green pedestrian corridor.
4. Council approved the scoping report and budget for the Wilson Street and Burren Street Cycleway project on 27 March 2017. On 13 December 2017, the Local Pedestrian, Cycling and Traffic Calming Committee endorsed the proposed design, and on 13 August 2018 the Section 116 for the turn restrictions into Brocks Lane was approved by Council.

Invitation to Tender

5. The Tender was advertised for a period of four weeks in The Sydney Morning Herald and The Daily Telegraph newspapers from 11 September 2018. The Tender closed online on 9 October 2018 at 11.00am. Thirty-five parties downloaded the Request for Tender Documents.

Tender Submissions

6. Three submissions were received from the following organisations:
 - Ford Civil Contracting Pty Ltd;
 - Quality Management and Constructions Pty Ltd; and
 - Sydney Civil Pty Ltd.
7. No late submissions were received.

Tender Evaluation

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

10. All submissions were assessed in accordance with the approved evaluation criteria being:
- (a) demonstrated experience, capability and qualifications in works of a similar nature;
 - (b) proposed key personnel, percentage allocation, qualifications, experience and capacity, including sub-contractors;
 - (c) project program / staging;
 - (d) construction methodology, including pedestrian and traffic management, site management and environmental management;
 - (e) Work, Health and Safety;
 - (f) financial and commercial trading integrity, including insurances; and
 - (g) lump sum price and schedule of prices.

Performance Measurement

11. The City will ensure the performance measures are monitored and met by:
- (a) reviewing the program and works method statements;
 - (b) reviewing samples, submissions and product data;
 - (c) attending regular inspections of the works;
 - (d) conducting regular site meetings with the head contractor; and
 - (e) ensuring the works are in accordance with the contract documents, such as Contract Drawings, Specification, contract Preliminaries and General Requirements.

Financial Implications

12. There are sufficient funds allocated for this project within the current year's capital works budget and future years' forward estimates.

Relevant Legislation

13. 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.

14. Attachment A 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.
15. 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.
16. Dollar amounts stated in Attachment A are exclusive of GST.

Critical Dates / Time Frames

17. Letter of Notification issued December 2018.
18. Commence construction early 2019.
19. Forecast date of Practical Completion early 2020.

Options

20. Not proceeding with these works would result in failure to deliver one of the key sections of the Regional Bike Network identified in the City's Cycling Strategy and Action Plan.

Public Consultation

21. Consultation activities for this project have included:
 - (a) a consultation letter sent to approximately 4,000 local residents and businesses informing them of the project and submission details;
 - (b) a submissions webpage on sydneyoursay.com.au;
 - (c) a sydneycycleways.net project page with links to the sydneyoursay.com.au page;
 - (d) display of the concept design at the One Stop Shop in Town Hall House, Redfern Neighbourhood Service Centre and Newtown Library;
 - (e) five face-to-face engagement sessions in Redfern and Newtown;
 - (f) social media engagement;
 - (g) doorknocking; and
 - (h) advertising in The Sydney Morning Herald and Central Magazine.

22. The online engagement was very successful, providing the second highest number of visitors to the project page, and the third highest number of submissions for the February 2016 – January 2017 period. The plans were also viewed 2,084 times.
23. There was a high level of engagement through social media channels. A Facebook / SydneyCycleways video post showing the route of the cycle connection with a link to the SydneyYourSay submissions page reached 12,500 people, and attracted 160 likes, 13 shares and 29 comments.
24. The project was also posted on SydneyCyclist.org. Both group forums encouraged debate and consideration of different perspectives and concerns. Eight tweets were sent from @sydneyoursay and @sydneycycleway.
25. Doorknocking was used as an extra tool to help reach residents around Burren Street. Properties on Burren, Pine, Wilson, Watkin, Georgina and Yaralla Streets, Copeland and Warren Ball Avenues and Brocks Lane were doorknocked and calling cards distributed.
26. Five face-to-face information sessions were held: at Hollis Park and Jack Haynes Reserve on 13 December, and Wilson Street on 1, 6 and 8 December 2016. Residents were informed of the information sessions via a combination of the letterbox drop and doorknocking / calling cards. The information sessions were also advertised on sydneyoursay.com.au.
27. Notification letters will be sent to property owners and businesses prior to construction.
28. During construction, there will be close liaison between property owners, businesses, City staff and the contractors to minimise disruption to residences and trade in the area. The contractor will also have a Community Liaison Officer for the project.

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