

COUNCIL AUTHORITY FOR CONTRACT AWARDS

Project Award	Metrolinx Transit Procurement Initiative (TPI) for the purchase of 12-metre conventional transit buses.
Recommendation	Staff is recommending the 12-metre conventional transit bus contract be awarded to New Flyer Industries through the Metrolinx Transit Procurement Initiative (TPI), for the supply and delivery of six (6) 12-metre conventional transit buses in the total estimated amount of \$5,524,122 (exclusive of HST).
Purpose of Report	As per Section 10.1 of Purchasing By-law No. 061-2018, Council approval is required.
Background information	<p>Council approved the continued participation in the Metrolinx Transit Procurement Initiative (TPI) with the execution of a Multi-Year Governance Agreement (CORS-076-19; CORS-003-24). The Town has benefitted from participating in the Metrolinx TPI by collaborating with other transit agencies to obtain favourable pricing and delivery of quality goods and services. Past procurements with Metrolinx TPI include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transit buses of varying sizes • Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) • Onboard Vehicle Surveillance Systems (OBVSS) • Consulting services for Fleet Electrification Strategy <p>Metrolinx released a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the purchase of 12-metre conventional transit buses on September 27, 2023, closing on December 6, 2023. Upon completion of the evaluation and steering committee review and approval process, a three-year contract was awarded to New Flyer Industries in February 2024.</p> <p>The 2025 Capital Budget includes six (6) conventional transit bus purchases to facilitate fixed-route service growth in Boyne, Derry Green and Milton Education Village, with service starting in September 2026.</p> <p>Given current vehicle production and delivery timelines spanning 12-18 months, it remains beneficial to advance this procurement in order to facilitate fixed-route conventional services in a timely matter. Conventional buses will be diesel-powered and will have an estimated useful life of twelve (12) years, with a scheduled, mid-life refurbishment in year six (6).</p> <p>Through this contract, the Town is to procure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Six (6) 12 metre conventional transit buses from New Flyer Industries at a cost of \$920,687 per unit <p>All prices are exclusive of HST and associated vehicle equipment.</p>

Schedule B

	In order to maximize grant funding available through the HAF program, staff recommend refinancing the capital project associated with these bus procurements as well as two additional growth transit bus capital projects as shown on Schedule A.
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Financial Planning Section: Budget Impact (Note 1)

Account Number(s)	C57010325-A0631-7110
Account Description	Conventional Transit-12 metre Bus-Growth
Project Total Budget	\$6,073,536
Contract Budget	\$5,715,843
Actual (Net of HST Rebate)	\$5,621,347
Variance (Note 2)	\$94,496 (F)
Funding Source	Federal Grants and Subsidies

Note 1: Financial impact includes any non-refundable portion of HST

Note 2: Staff is requesting that the favorable variance remain in the project to accommodate Metrolinx Contract Fee, contingency and bus specification changes during the preproduction process.