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TO: **GENERAL COMMITTEE** 

2015 PURCHASING ACTIVITY REPORT SUBJECT:

WARD: **ALL** 

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#### RECOMMENDED MOTION

1. That the following schedules, collectively representing the 2015 Purchasing Activity Report, be received for information:

- Contract awards under delegated authority and contracted goods and services (renewals a) and amendments) exceeding \$1,000,000, attached as Appendix "A" to Staff Report FIN015-16;
- b) Professional Services that have received payments with a total cumulative value exceeding \$250,000 within each calendar year, attached as Appendix "B" to Staff Report FIN015-16; and
- c) 2015 Single and Sole Source purchases exceeding the \$10,000 threshold awarded under delegated authority, attached as Appendix "C" to Staff Report FIN015-16.

#### **PURPOSE & BACKGROUND**

#### Report Overview

- 2. The 2015 Purchasing Activity report reflects the procurement activity for the 2015 budget year, and the report is completed in accordance with the Procurement By-Law that was in place during the purchasing activity period, being the Procurement By-Law 2013-073, mainly:
  - a) The Procurement By-law requires the Manager of Purchasing to provide the following information:
    - i) An assessment of the degree of overall compliance with the Procurement By-Law;
    - ii) An annual information report summarizing the details for contracts, amendments, and renewals awarded with delegated authority that exceed \$1,000,000;
    - An annual information report identifying professional services providers that have iii) received payments from the Corporation with a cumulative total value of \$250,000 or more within the calendar year; and,

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iv) A report on the Single and Sole Source purchases exceeding \$10,000, ensuring transparency with these contract awards.

This report also provides information on performance reporting, and service improvements that are currently underway.

#### **ANALYSIS**

- 3. The Procurement Activity Reports are provided in Appendices "A", "B", and "C" as follows:
  - a) Appendix "A" reports the 2015 awards made under delegated authority exceeding \$1,000,000. There were nine awards with a combined value of \$19,620,590.70;
  - b) Appendix "B" reports the payments made for professional service engagements in 2015 that exceeded \$250,000. This is to provide transparency to consultant engagements and demonstrate fairness in the awarding of consultant related contracts. Payments reflected in many instances are part of a multi-year contract and the amount reported represents the amounts spent in 2015 only. There were 18 firms that received such payments with a combined payment value of \$17,825.661; and,
  - c) Appendix "C" reports the Single and Sole Source purchases for 2015. There were 32 Single and Sole Source awards with a combined award value of \$6,870,415.
- 4. <a href="Procurement By-Law effectiveness">Procurement By-Law effectiveness</a> and degree of compliance: Reviewing the degree of compliance with the By-law is important, as any significant and/or recurring instances of non-compliance could compromise the City's ability to defend its actions if legally challenged. Reviewing for compliance can also create the opportunity to assess the effectiveness of the By-law, identify training opportunities, and opportunities to make recommendations to individuals/departments that meet their needs, without increasing the level of risk the City is exposed to.

#### **Key Performance Indicators**

5. A series of performance indicators are used to measure and improve the overall quality of the procurement process and services provided by the Purchasing Branch.

Performance Measures	2013 Target	2013 Actuals	2014 Target	2014 Actuals	2015 Target	2015 Actuals
Average no. of days to complete bid process	87	95	87	87.5	87	96
Number of competitive bid processes	200	204	175	125	175	135
Number of bids received per bid call	5.0	5.52	5.0	4.35	5.0	4.8
Benefits of the competitive bidding process	10%	6.3%	10%	12.9%	10%	11.1%
% of goods/services purchased through procurement process	65%	71.3%	75%	88.6%	75%	88%

- 6. Below is a description of each of the performance measures and how they can be used:
  - a) <u>Average Number of Days to Complete Bid Process</u>: This is a measure of the time from the receipt of client department specifications, to the issuance of a Purchase Order. This

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measure allows staff to monitor service levels and cycle times. The complexity and type of procurement process affects the overall time to complete a process.

The average number of days reflected above encompasses all procurement types, Request for Tender (RFT), Request for Quotation (RFQ), Request for Proposal (RFP), and Request for Pre-qualification (RFPQ). RFPs, on average took 119 days to complete given their inherent complexity, whereas RFQs on average took 72 days to complete. 2015 saw a rise in the number of complex RFPs for consulting, engineering, and design services impacting the overall turn around time (TAT).

One of the objectives of the Procurement Service Review (PSR) is to improve efficiency and reduce the average TAT for procurement processes. It was anticipated that the process improvements and new procurement templates being introduced as part of the PSR would reduce the average number of days to complete a bid process in 2016. In fact, the average TAT for the first three quarters of 2016 has improved by 10%, being reduced to 87 days. It is anticipated that this will be further reduced by 10% as staff become more accustomed to the new workflow/processes and procurement templates.

- b) <u>Number of Competitive Bid Processes</u>: This is a measure of procurement activity that assists with the identification of opportunities to consolidate bid calls, balance work plans, and identify appropriate resource requirements. The target for this measure is based on previous year's procurement activities, and the anticipated requirements for the coming year.
- c) Average Number of Bids per Bid Call: This is a measure of both the competitiveness of the markets for municipal goods and services, and the market's perception of the City of Barrie's attractiveness as a customer/client.

The lower than anticipated average number of bids per bid call is partially attributed to the following factors:

- i) Specialized requirements/limited competition market: A number of the requirements requiring a procurement process in 2015 were highly specialized having a small vendor market, such as Sidewalk Sweeper, Bio Solids Haulage, and Playground Equipment;
- ii) Timing of procurement processes to market: Some of the construction related requirements were offered to the market later in the tendering season, resulting in fewer bids being received; and,
- Length of time in the market: The length of time in the market and compressed project work schedules may have discouraged bidders from responding.
- d) Benefits of the Competitive Bidding Process: This measure reports the percentage difference between the award and the amount of the next lowest. It is an indicator of the financial advantage to the City of utilizing a competitive bid process.
- e) <u>Percent of Goods/Services Purchased Through Procurement Process:</u> This measure reflects the percentage of goods and services purchased through a formal procurement process.

#### Georgian Bay Area Public Purchasing Cooperative

7. The City of Barrie is a member of the Georgian Bay Area Public Purchasing Cooperative (GBAPPC). This Purchasing Cooperative provides opportunities for the City to participate in collaborative procurement processes with neighbouring municipalities, school boards, and other

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public organisations. The benefits to the City are shared expertise and cost savings, as a result of the increased buying power, and greater volumes. Facilitation of procurement processes is shared by all members of the GBAPPC.

- 8. The City of Barrie participates in the following GBAPPC commodities:
  - a) Office Supplies, Contracted with Staples: The total GBAPPC consolidated annual contract value for office supplies is \$1.9 million. The budgeted annual spend for the City of Barrie is approximately \$275,000. The GBAPPC contract provides the City with a 64% discount on all office supply requirements. This potentially produces an annual cost avoidance of over \$150,000 per year if the City purchased at full cost;
  - b) Road Salt: The total GBAPPC consolidated annual contract value is \$4.3 Million and the estimated annual spend for the City is approximately \$1.4 Million. The 2016 tender resulted in a 5% reduction in the cost for this commodity;
  - c) <u>Toner Cartridges</u>: The total GBAPPC consolidated annual contract value is an estimated \$600,000, and the estimated annual spend for the City is estimated at \$120,000; and,
  - d) In addition the City participates in other commodities such as Janitorial Supplies, Road Patch Products, Document Shredding Services, and Batteries.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS**

9. There are no environmental matters related to the recommendation.

#### **ALTERNATIVES**

10. As this is a report describing historical purchasing activities and trends, no alternatives are presented.

#### **FINANCIAL**

11. There are no financial implications for the Corporation resulting from the proposed recommendations.

#### **LINKAGE TO 2015-2018 STRATEGIC PLAN**

12. The recommendations included in this Staff Report support the goal of responsible spending in the 2015-2018 Strategic Plan.

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## **APPENDIX "A"**

## Contracts Awarded in 2015 Exceeding \$1,000,000

Reference No.	COMMODITY/PROJECT TITLE	Vendor	CONTRACT AWARD AMOUNT \$\$	NEXT HIGHEST BID \$\$	
2015-001	Reconstruct Highland Avenue	John Bravakis Enterprises	\$4,032,583.85	\$4,033,000.00	
2015-004	Ferndale to Coughlin Road	Arnott Construction Ltd.	\$4,447,000.00	\$4,680,000.00	
2015-016	GD - Design Services Holly PS & WM CR27 Mapleview	MMM Group Ltd.	\$1,094,408.00	\$1,500,430.00	
2015-043	Council Chambers	Maram Building Corp	\$1,560,000.00	\$1,568,000.00	
2015-064	Constructing Stormwater Works	TBG Landscape Inc.	\$1,101,012.59	\$1,113,206.59	
2015-067	WwTF Mechanical Bar Screens Installation	H2 Ontario Inc	\$1,603,385.68	\$2,175,000.00	
2015-113	Construction of Mulcaster Street Storm Outlet at Heritage Park	TBG Environmental Inc.	\$1,325,902.53	\$1,579,017.30	
2015-116	HVAC and Roof Replacement - City Hall	Dependable Mechanical Systems Inc.	\$3,011,000.00	\$3,648,277.00	
2015-139	Bayfield Street and Huronia Road Asphalt Surface Improvements	Georgian Paving Ltd.	\$1,145,298.05	\$1,169,170.62	
		Totals	\$19,320,590.70	\$21,466,101.51	
		<u>DIFFERENCE:</u>	<u>\$2,145,510.81</u>		
CONTRACT EXTENSIONS					
2012-128P	Supply and Delivery of Highway Salt		\$1,435,778.00		

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## **APPENDIX "B"**

## **2015 Payments to Consultants** in Excess of \$250,000 Annually

Vendor Name		Total Invoice Amount (incl HST)
Aecom		\$259,787
C.C. Tatham & Associates Ltd.		\$438,827
Cole Engineering Group Ltd.		\$260,698
Deloitte LLP		\$348,854
GHD Ltd.		\$272,579
Golder Associates Ltd.		\$1,053,551
McCormack Project Services Ltd.		\$276,221
Morrison Herschfield Ltd.		\$2,389,918
Peto MacCallum Ltd.		\$574,447
R.J. Burnside & Associates		\$296,740
T2 Utility Engineers		\$256,726
Weir Foulds LLP		\$841,694
	2015 Total Payments:	\$7,270,042

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## **APPENDIX "C"**

# **Sole/Single Source Purchases for 2015**

File Number	Description	Vendor Name	Award Amount (ext HST)	Comments
2015-S001	LED Street Lights	Local Authority Services	\$3,303,520	
2015-S002	Emergency Response to Spill	Newalta	\$46,076	
2015-S003	Server and storage Infrastructure	Spectra Logic Corporation	\$150,000	
2015-S004	Actuarial Report on Employee Future Benefits (2014)	School Boards' Co-Operative Inc.	\$25,000	
2015-S005	Service and annual safety of aerial fire truck	Currie Truck Centre	\$26,298	
2015-S006	Prepare a comparative study on two sites to determine the best valued site for the Corporation to construct the First Responders Campus	Rebanks Pepper Littlewood Architects Inc.	\$35,000	
2015-S007	Pay & Display machine software upgrade	J.J. MacKay Canada Limited	\$27,132	
2015-S008	Server Acquisition	CompuSolv Technology	\$330,000	
2015-S009	Transportation and Processing of Waste Carpet	Green Bridge Industries Limited	\$13,000	
2015-S010	Recycling of single-use batteries through curbside collection	Raw Materials Company Inc. (RMC)	\$15,000	
2015-S011	Design Consultants	John D. Bell Associates Ltd.	\$31,370	
2015-S012	Raw Sewage Vertical Turbine Pump	Pentair Flow Technologies	\$320,000	
2015-S015	Crack Injection and Sealing	Kenaiden Contracting	\$50,000	
2015-S016	Corporate Mobility Technology Enablement Plan	Prior & Prior Associates Ltd.	\$40,000	
2015-S017	Municipal Hazardous or Special Wastes Phase 1 Paints and Coatings	Product Care Association	\$15,000	Revenue
2015-S018	Increase scope of the CSWM-MP to include expanded Study Area	Auquafor Beech Limited	\$128,380	
2015-S019	Competitive Alternatives Cost Benchmarking Publication and Tool	MMK Consulting	\$20,000	
2015-S022	Voters' List Management Services	Comprint Systems Inc. O/A DataFix	\$15,000	
2015-S023	Electro-Magnetic inspection of 7 meters of Barrie Well No. 12 Air Chamber	Pure Technologies Ltd.	\$26,000	
2015-S024	Watercourse Debris Removal, Spill Remediation	Sierra Excavating Enterprises Inc.	\$68,400	
2015-S025	Time Sensitive Internal Audit	Deloitte LLP	\$200,000	



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File Number	Description	Vendor Name	Award Amount (ext HST)	Comments
2015-S026	Ongoing license management for Esri products	ESRI Canada	\$100,000	
2015-S027	Whiskey Creek Area-Specific Development Charge By-law Update	Watson & Associates Economists Ltd.	\$30,000	
2015-S028	Ongoing license management for Azteca products	ESRI Canada Inc.	\$200,000	
2015-S029	Professional Services for Human Resources (Labour Relations)	Corporate Support Services	\$30,638	
2015-S030	Funding for Municipal Hazardous/Special Wastes (Lamp Collection Recycling)	Product Care Association	\$10,000	Revenue
2015-S031	Municipal Drains	Municipal Drain Maintenance	\$28,602	
2015-S032	Storm Systems Maintenance	CB Shield Inc.	\$19,000	
2015-S033	Built Form Task Force Facilitation	Solutions Ink	\$35,000	
2015-S034	Latitude Geocortex platform	ESRI Canada Inc.	\$20,000	
2015-S035	Configuration work for SunGard for GL interface	SunGard Public Sector Inc.	\$12,000	
2015-S036	Professional Services Agreement	ESRI Canada Inc.	\$1,500,000	
	<u>\$6,870,415</u>			