



SIoux LOOKOUT

Hub of the North

REPORT

MEETING TYPE: Regular Council Meeting

To:	Council
From:	Yajvir Deswal, Engineering and Capital Projects Manager
Date:	May 21, 2025
Subject:	Pelican Park Lift Station Forcemain Upgrades and Hwy 72 Service Extension - Construction Award
Report No.:	2025-547

TITLE:

Pelican Park Lift Station Forcemain Upgrades and Hwy 72 Service Extension - Construction Award

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council awards the contract for the Pelican Park Lift Station Forcemain Upgrades and Highway 72 Service Extensions (RFT No. T010-2025) to Makkinga Contractors for the amount of \$3,659,053.25 plus HST; and further

THAT Council authorizes the passing of By-Law No. 34-25, Being a By-law to Authorize the Mayor and the Clerk to Execute a Contract between The Corporation of the Municipality of Sioux Lookout and Makkinga Contractors for the Pelican Park Lift Station Forcemain Upgrades and Highway 72 Service Extension in the amount of \$3,659,053.25 plus HST.

PURPOSE:

The purpose is to seek Council's approval to award the construction contract for the Pelican Park Lift Station Forcemain Upgrades and Highway 72 Service Extension to Makkinga Contractors, the sole and compliant bidder, in accordance with the Municipality's Procurement Policy.

BACKGROUND:

The Municipality of Sioux Lookout identified the need to upgrade the Pelican Park Lift Station discharge forcemain and extend water and wastewater servicing along Hwy 72 to support future development, improve system redundancy, and address aging infrastructure constraints.

Keewatin-Aski Ltd. (KAL) was retained to complete the engineering design. The final design package, issued for tender in March 2025, includes:

- Installation of twin 150mm HDPE sanitary forcemains to replace existing existing 100mm cast iron forcemain.
- Local watermain and sewer upgrades on 5th Ave and Ethel Street.
- Surface and road restoration.
- Extension of water and sanitary services across Hwy 72 to support long-term development.

The project was tendered as T010-2025 through Biddingo with a closing date of April 16, 2025.

DISCUSSION:

Tender Results

Only one submission was received and it's from Makkinga Contractors. The bid was compliant and included all required documentation.

Description	Amount (Excl. HST)
Makkinga Base Bid (Excl. Hwy 72)	\$3,144,053.25
Makkinga – Hwy 72 Extension (Separate Price)	\$514,210.00
Total Makkinga Bid (Base + Hwy 72)	\$3,659,053.25
KAL Class B Estimate (Mar 2025) incl. 10% contingency	\$3,250,990.80

Engineering Estimate and Variance

KAL provided a revised "Class B" estimate in March 2025: \$3,250,990.80 (including contingency). The Makkinga bid was approximately 12.55% higher due to increased HDPE pricing and HDD risk premiums.

Procurement Process

The project was tendered in accordance with the Municipality's Procurement Policy using a public competitive bidding process; issued through Biddingo using a CCDC 4 – 2011 Unit Price Contract. The IFT package included specifications, drawings, and restoration requirements, with optional provisional items. The tender was issued on March 18, 2025, via Biddingo, with a closing date of April 16, 2025. One compliant bid was received and reviewed in detail.

RELATIONSHIP TO THE STRATEGIC PLAN:

This project strongly supports two of the Municipality's Strategic Priorities as outlined in the 2020–2025 Strategic Plan:

1. Community Innovation & Development

Strategic Goal: "Proactively invest in our community to encourage growth and enhance our quality of life."

The project directly supports the goal to provide infrastructure to meet the current and future needs of the community by upgrading aging wastewater infrastructure and extending services to enable new development.

By planning for and investing in servicing along Hwy 72, the Municipality is enabling proactive growth and positioning itself to accommodate residential and commercial expansion, particularly in relation to prospective development on the MNR property.

This work reflects a commitment to innovative, forward-thinking infrastructure planning that minimizes future costs while encouraging sustainable development.

2. Operational Excellence

Strategic Goal: "Strive for operational excellence through open communication, sound fiscal management and exceptional customer service."

The project has followed a transparent procurement process and incorporates prudent financial planning through defined base and provisional scopes.

Cost estimates were refined through detailed design, and the project structure allows flexibility through change orders, aligning with the Plan's emphasis on sound fiscal management and sustainable investment in municipal services.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Project will be funded through Sewer Reserve Reserve Fund, long term debt, and OCIF-FC (Provincial) funding.

ATTACHMENTS:

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