

Contract awarded to repair Skaha Dock

(Penticton, BC – July 25, 2018) – A contract to address immediately needed repairs to the Skaha Dock has been awarded to Trademark Industries Ltd. following a decision to fix damages sustained during a heavy wind storm earlier this summer.

“Over the long-term, the Skaha Marina has been identified as needing a number of repairs to retain its safe functioning as a public facility. While the plan for what those repairs will look like has not yet been fully envisioned, the damage that was specifically sustained by the dock earlier this year was such that a repair solution for the 2018 summer season was deemed immediately necessary as the dock remains open for public use”, said Director of Recreation and Facilities, Bregje Kozak.

The awarding of the contract to Trademark Industries Ltd. followed the City’s procurement process whereby an initial decision to issue a direct award was challenged following the required initiation of the City’s policy of issuing a *Notice of Intent to Contract* when direct awarding work.

“On some occasions, a direct award may be chosen as the best path to repair a City facility when timing is critical. However, that process is dependent on giving other businesses notice that a direct award is planned. Should a business feel they too can complete the work, then our process allows those businesses the opportunity to challenge the decision to direct award. In this case the challenge we received was valid and subsequently led to the issuing of a *Request for Quotations*, of which Trademark Industries Ltd. was the successful bidder based on experience, availability and price. The City is bound to follow its procurement policies and procedures.”

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