



The Regional Municipality of Durham

Report

To: Works Committee
From: Commissioner of Works
Report: #2025-W-14
Date: May 7, 2025

Subject:

Sole Source Procurement of Engineering Services for Stevenson Road North Sanitary Sewer and Watermain Project in the City of Oshawa

Recommendation:

That the Works Committee recommends to Regional Council:

- A) That staff be authorized to award a sole source contract to Gannett Fleming Canada ULC for engineering services for the detailed design of a 450-millimetre (mm) diameter trunk sanitary sewer and 300mm diameter watermain on Stevenson Road North from Taunton Road West to Conlin Road West in Oshawa, for \$310,390*, to be financed from the approved project budget; and
 - B) That the Commissioner of Finance be authorized to execute the necessary documents related to the sole source agreement.
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Report:

1. Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to obtain Regional Municipality of Durham (Region) Council approval to award a sole source contract for engineering services to Gannett Fleming Canada ULC (Gannett Fleming), to undertake the detailed design for the Stevenson Road North sanitary sewer and watermain project, in the City of Oshawa.

- 1.2 Dollar amounts followed by an asterisk (*) are before applicable taxes.

2. Background

- 2.1 The City of Oshawa (Oshawa) has retained Gannett Fleming to complete the detailed design for the reconstruction and urbanization of Stevenson Road North, from Taunton Road West (Regional Road 4) to Conlin Road West (see Attachment 1 - Location Map).
- 2.2 In the 2023 Development Charge Background Study, the Region has identified the need to install a sanitary sewer and watermain along Stevenson Road North, between Taunton Road West and Conlin Road West.
- 2.3 Stevenson Road North, between Taunton Road West and Conlin Road West, is located within the Northwood Business Park area, in the City of Oshawa.

3. Justification for the Sole Source

- 3.1 In March 2022, through City of Oshawa's competitive bid RFP C-2021-121, Oshawa retained Gannett Fleming to complete the Municipal Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for the reconstruction of Stevenson Road North.
- 3.2 In March 2025, Gannett Fleming was awarded the detailed design for the Stevenson Road North reconstruction through a sole source agreement with Oshawa. Subsequently, Gannett Fleming provided the Region with a quote to perform the design services for the Region's infrastructure.
- 3.3 Completing the road reconstruction design concurrently with the sanitary sewer and watermain design will allow for seamless coordination of all project elements, including preliminary and detailed design, staging, permitting requirements and stakeholder consultation within Oshawa's planned project schedule.
- 3.4 The Region and Oshawa intend to tender and construct the sanitary sewer and watermain as part of a single capital contract, which will be led by Oshawa.

4. Proposed Engineering Services

- 4.1 The proposed watermain and sanitary sewer will support future development within the Northwood Business Park along Stevenson Road North. Through regular coordination meetings, Region and Oshawa Staff have agreed that combining the road reconstruction and the installation of the watermain and sanitary sewer efforts will provide cost efficiencies, economies of scale and

mitigate the duration of construction impacts on residents and the natural environment.

- 4.2 Awarding the engineering services to different consulting firms would require the Region and Oshawa to coordinate multiple engineering services contracts and educate a new design team, resulting in additional time and resources, overlap and repetition of design processes, which would also cause operational challenges. Staff recommend sole sourcing to avoid duplication of effort.

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1 Section 7.2 of the Region's Purchasing By-law, Appendix "C" permits the sole sourcing of goods and services under specific circumstances, including where additional deliverables were not included in the initial procurement and where a change of supplier is not recommended due to compatibility/continuity concerns and cost impacts. The by-law also requires approval by the appropriate standing committee and Council for the award of sole source contracts that exceed \$100,00 in value.
- 5.2 Financing for the sole source procurement of the engineering services for the detailed design for the Stevenson Road North sanitary sewer and water main project, estimated at \$310,390* will be provided from the approved project budget (Project ID: D2416).

Water Supply Capital Budget	\$155,195
Sanitary Sewerage Capital Budget	\$155,195

6. Previous Reports and Decisions

- 6.1 There are no previous reports and/or decisions.

7. Relationship to Strategic Plan

- 7.1 This report aligns with/addresses the following Strategic Direction(s) and Pathway(s) in Durham Region's 2025-2035 Strategic Plan:

a. Connected and Vibrant Communities

- C1. Align Regional infrastructure and asset management with projected growth, climate impacts, and community needs.

b. Strong Relationships

- S3. Collaborate across local area municipalities, with agencies, non-profits, and community partners to deliver co-ordinated and efficient services.
- S5. Ensure accountable and transparent decision-making to serve community needs, while responsibly managing available resources.

8. Conclusion

- 8.1 It is recommended that Regional Municipality of Durham Council approve the award of a sole source contract for engineering services to Gannett Fleming for the detailed design of the Stevenson Road North sanitary sewer and watermain project, in the amount of \$310,390*.
- 8.2 This report has been reviewed by the Finance Department, and the Commissioner of Finance concurs with the recommendations.
- 8.3 For additional information, contact: Dan Waechter, Director of Capital Projects Delivery, at 905-668-4113, extension 3550.

9. Attachments

Attachment #1: Location Map

Respectfully submitted,

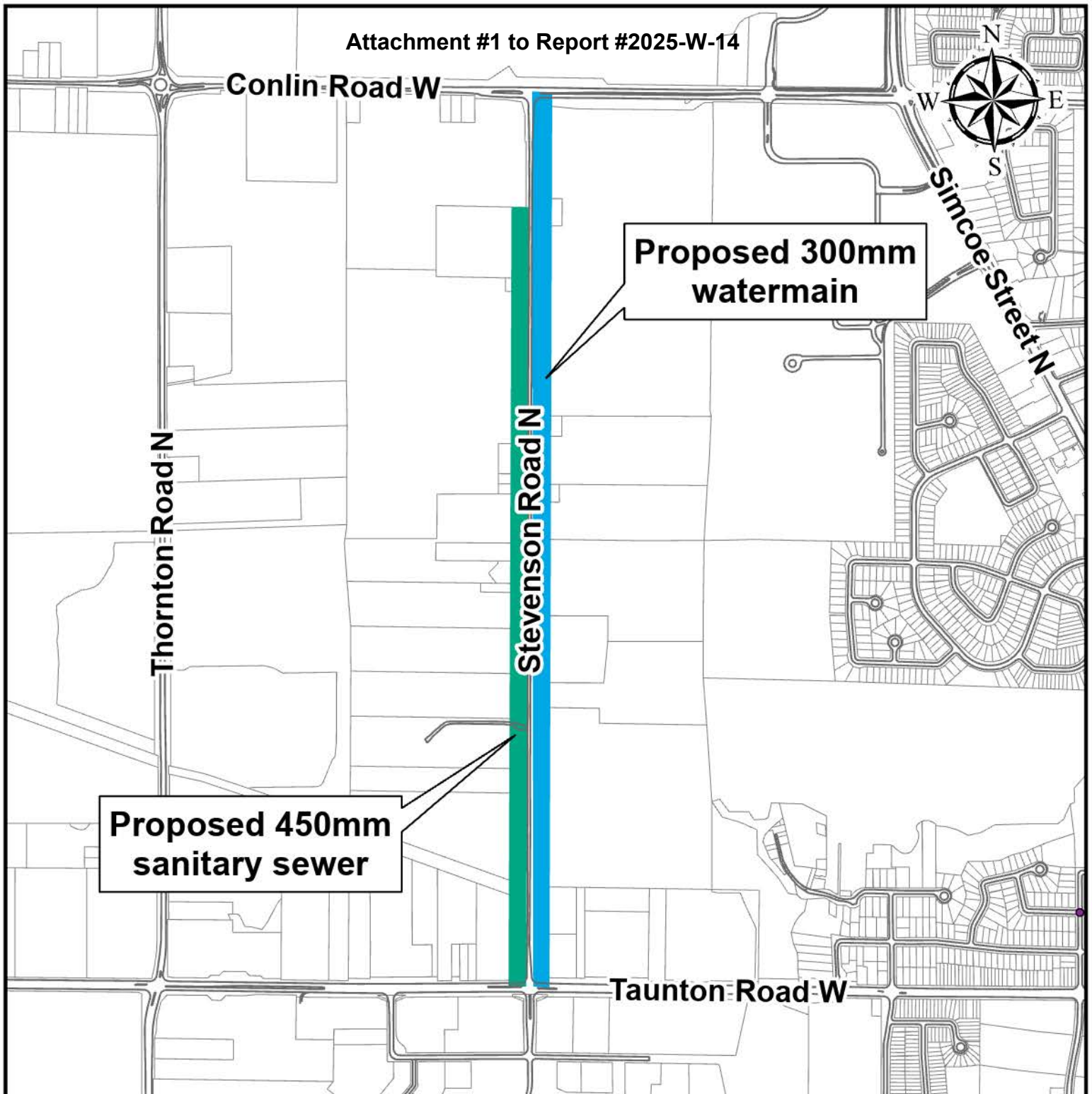
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Commissioner of Works

Recommended for Presentation to Committee

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Stevenson Road Project Conlin Road West to Taunton Road W City of Oshawa



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-  Ownership Parcel
-  Proposed 450mm sanitary sewer
-  Proposed 300mm watermain