



The Corporation of the
City of Sault Ste. Marie

COUNCIL REPORT

June 2, 2025

TO: Mayor Matthew Shoemaker and Members of City Council
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Engineering
DEPARTMENT: Public Works and Engineering Services
RE: 2025-6E Great Northern Road Resurfacing

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to obtain approval to award Contract 2025-6E. The project includes the resurfacing of Great Northern Road from Third Line to Wigle Street.

Background

On January 27, 2025, the Province announced that the City of Sault Ste. Marie had been selected for funding through the Ministry of Transportation 2025-26 Connecting Links Program. The Ministry's maximum provincial contribution for 2025 is \$2,993,720 towards the resurfacing of Great Northern Road.

Tenders were received via the City's electronic bidding system. Submissions were opened on Thursday, May 22, 2025, in the presence of City staff. Tender results were made public on the project page in the electronic bidding system

Analysis

A total of two tenders were received. The tender submissions were reviewed and found to be complete and valid. The low tender of \$2,813,005 (excluding HST) was received from Pioneer Construction Inc.

Financial Implications

The combined City/Connecting Link budget for this project is \$3,393,720.

When non-recoverable HST and utility allowances are added, the City's cost to complete this project is projected to be \$2,862,514. This amount can be accommodated within the available combined City and Connecting Link budget. The limits of the contract will be extended north on Great Northern Road up to \$3,293,092, which is the limit of the available Connecting Link funding and the City's required contribution, in order to maximize the funding.

Strategic Plan / Policy Impact / Climate Impact

This report is linked to the infrastructure focus area of the strategic plan.

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Recommendation

It is therefore recommended that Council take the following action:

Resolved that the report of the Manager of Design and Transportation Engineering dated June 2, 2025 concerning the resurfacing of Great Northern Road be received and that Contract 2025-6E be awarded to Pioneer Construction Inc.

The relevant By-laws 2025-92 authorizing execution of Contract 2025-6E and By-law 2025-93 authorizing the intermittent road closure of Great Northern Road from Third Line to Wigle Street including intersections from June 3, 2025 to November 14, 2025 are listed under Agenda item 12 and will be read with all by-laws under that item

Respectfully submitted,

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