

## 6.4 Financial Reports

### 6.4.1 - Provision of Public Place Litter and Recycling Bin Collection Services CT 20-59

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#### Recommendation(s)

That Council award Contract 20/59 Public Place Litter and Recycling Bin Collection Services to Selkrig Enterprises Pty Ltd T/S Total Waste Solutions for an initial term of 5 years with the option of 5 X 1-year extensions.

#### Attachments

1. CONFIDENTIAL - Confidential Memorandum - Circulated to Councillors only [6.4.1.1 - 5 pages]

#### Executive Summary

Contract documentation has been prepared to seek market rates for the provision of public place recycling and rubbish bin collection as well as provisions for dumped rubbish collection.

Tenders have been advertised and subsequently received from several service providers in this field.

A full tender assessment has been conducted.

Based on the tender evaluation, it is recommended that Selkrig Enterprises Pty Ltd T/S Total Waste Solutions is deemed to provide best value for money for services relating to this contract and as such, the tender be awarded accordingly.

#### Background

Currently there are approximately 602 Street Litterbins and 351 Public Place Recycling Bins located on streets and in shopping precincts spread across the municipality. The bins are housed in an array of different bin stations depending on streetscape and function required, this includes a mix full enclosure, on poles and on stands. The frequency with which each of these bins are scheduled for collection varies. An estimated 300 tonnes of material is collected each year from these bins, with seasonal fluctuations peaking in the summer months.

Cardinia Shire Council and community organisations host a range of events and festivals during the year which require temporary garbage and recycling Mobile Bins to be provided and serviced.

On average 1500-1600 dumped rubbish collections are completed per annum. In total 180 tonnes of dumped rubbish were collected across the Shire in the past year. Whilst most dumped rubbish collections are able to be managed during normal working hours, some require urgent attention and as such an 'at-call' and 'out of hours' response service was assessed as part of the tender process.

The scope of service associated with Contract 20/59 - Provision of Public Place Litter and Recycling Bin Collection Services - includes:

- Emptying and cleaning litterbins (Street Litterbins, Public Place Recycling Bins and Cigarette Butt Bins) their stands and enclosures throughout the municipality on a day-to-day basis,
- Monitoring and reporting on the condition of litterbin stands and enclosures throughout the municipality,
- Collection of dumped rubbish throughout the municipality when instructed to do so by Council's Representative,
- Disposal of all waste collected from litterbins and dumped rubbish pick up at an approved disposal facility and approved recycling facility,
- Ensuring customer service on a day-to-day basis,
- Procurement, installation, and maintenance of public place litter bins as required, and
- Supply and maintenance of mobile event bins as required.

Combining the public place bin collection service and effective monitoring of dumped rubbish in the Shire brings additional benefits to Council, as well as financial. These include:

- GPS system which tracks which bins and rubbish piles have been emptied and when (will assist with Customer enquiries and service improvement).
- Data recording system which will assist with continuous improvement and efficiency identification.
- Annual review delivered by Contractor.
- Underutilised bins and damaged bins to be reported by Contractor (with photo provision capacity).
- Delivery of all materials to appropriate processing or disposal facilities (improving resource recovery).
- 360° Cameras which record any potential damage, service issues and contamination.
- Minor repairs undertaken by contractor (including graffiti, bolts, lids etc.)
- Ability to modify the schedule as required.
- Twice yearly scheduled bin cleaning.
- Risk mitigation - insurances, OHS etc.
- A rapid response and at-all type service available when required.

Contract 20/59 - Provision of Public Place Litter and Recycling Bin Collection Services was tendered on 21 November 2020 and closed on the 19 December 2020. It is expected that service through this contract will commence 1 July 2021.

Tender Submissions were received from 4 separate tenderers including:

- Selkrig Enterprises Pty Ltd trading as Total Waste Solutions
- Cleanaway Pty Ltd
- JJ's Waste and Recycling Pty Ltd
- Haulaway Pty Ltd

A Tender Evaluation Panel (TEP) undertook an evaluation process. The tenders were assessed against the weighted criterion; Quality System, Capability, Relevant Experience and Past Performance, Resources, Customer services and innovation, Occupational Health and Safety, an Compliance with Specification. Non weighted Criterion were also assessed on a pass/fail basis.

Based on the tender evaluation process, Selkrig Enterprises Pty Ltd T/S Total Waste Solutions is deemed to provide best value for money for services relating to this contract. As such, it is recommended that Council award Contract 20/59 Public Place Litter and Recycling Bin Collection for an initial term of 5 years with the option of 5 X 1-year extensions.

## Policy Implications

By refining the collection schedule, combining the public place bin collection service and effective monitoring of dumped rubbish in the Shire and updating the rates of the service to better align with current prices, Council will be able to provide a better collection service and meet some of the outcomes from the Waste and Resource Recovery Strategy 2017-2026 which includes to reduce the impact of litter on the Shire and achieve continuous improvement. By having the upgraded services in place, and associated education around its use, Council will be able to manage our public place waste and recycling more effectively and provide a greater response to meet our community's expectations around dumped rubbish.

The procurement of effective public place waste and recycling management aligns with the objectives of the Waste and Resource Recovery Strategy and the Liveability Plan, which fall under the Council Plan.

Councils work and role in this area is also partly determined by relevant Victorian and Australian Government policies, many of which have also been updated in recent years. The Victorian Government policies - 'Getting Full Value' and 'Recycling Victoria' have turned the focus to thinking of waste as a resource to be extracted and reused or recycled where possible, bringing not just environmental benefits, but also financial and social.

## Relevance to Council Plan

### 3.3 Our Environment - Enhanced natural environment

3.3.3 Promote practices that result in the reduction per household of the amount of waste going to landfill, particularly food waste.

### 3.4 Our Environment - Natural and built environments supporting the improved health and wellbeing of our communities

3.4.1 Plan and develop built environments that support improved health and wellbeing of our communities through implementation of the Healthy by Design guidelines.

Also meets several actions in the Waste and Resource Recovery Strategy (2017-26).

## Climate Emergency Consideration

The appropriate management and diversion of waste from landfill can assist in reducing the human impact on climate change. This contract will assist in several ways:

- By continuing to divert waste away from landfill by offering and servicing recycling bins across the Shire
- Requiring new, more efficient vehicles in the contract to reduce impacts of the fleet on the environment through reduced emissions
- Supporting the continuing education of the community on the circular economy including purchasing of minimal waste products and disposing of waste appropriately, including food waste.
- Reducing the direct impact of waste on the environment through the removal of dumped rubbish. Dumped rubbish can cause hazards to local wildlife and waterways when left unattended for long periods of time.

## Consultation/Communication

This contract is for a business-as-usual service that was established several years ago to meet community needs and expectations. No further community consultation was required for the upcoming change in contract.

There is flexibility built into the service requirements to ensure the new service provider is running a service that meets the needs of Council and the Community.

### **Financial and Resource Implications**

Cardinia Shire population is growing at a rate of 4.6%, with this growth in population comes an increase in waste, even with the consideration of alternatives to landfill which are becoming available. This growth in population and the fact residents are spending more time outdoors and in their local area means there is a greater reliance on public place infrastructure. The increased cost of taking domestic material to the tip also appears to be a factor in the increase in dumped rubbish in the Shire. Bringing this service into a 'schedule of rates' contract will help manage the costs associated with dumped rubbish.

The collection and disposal of public place garbage and recycling, and the management of dumped rubbish is fully funded through Council's established garbage charge.

### **Conclusion**

It is recommended that the tender submitted by Selkrig Enterprises Pty Ltd T/S Total Waste Solutions be accepted for the Public Place Litter and Recycling Bin Collection Services Contract number 20/59 for an initial term of 5 years with the option of 5 X 1-year extensions, and that; the additional elements of Dumped Rubbish Collection and Management be added to the contracted service as tendered.