

November 23, 2011



## City Council Committee Report

**To: Mayor & Council**

**Fr: Rick Perchuk, Operations Manager  
Barbara A. Manson, Parks Supervisor**

**Re: Garden & Shrub Bed Contract (2012 – 2014)**

### **Recommendation:**

**That** the following tenders for the supply, delivery and planting of 2,000 dozen bedding plants, garden maintenance and shrub maintenance for the City of Kenora be received:

Debbie's Greenhouse (\$118,085.00 per year)	\$313,500.00 + HST
Lori Gray Horticulture (\$98,005.00 per year)	\$266,500.00 + HST; and further,

**That** the tender submitted by Lori Gray Horticulture, in the amount of \$266,500.00, plus HST, be hereby accepted for the Garden & Shrub Bed Maintenance Contract for the years 2012, 2013 and 2014 (\$98,005.00 per year), pending overall 2012 Operational Budget approval.

### **Background:**

The Garden & Shrub Bed Maintenance Contract has expired and was tendered out for another three year term - 2012 - 2014. This contract includes: supply and planting of 2,000 bedding plants (including perennials), watering, weeding, fertilizing and garden maintenance, as well as all shrub bed maintenance, including weed removal. The contracted areas include: Harbourfront Park, McLeod Park, LOW Plaza, Beatty Park, Mather Walls House, Museum & Memorial Park, Kenora Recreation Centre, Discovery Centre, Keewatin Planters, Planters 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Planters (Veteran's Drive), Kenora Library, City Hall, Anicinabe Park, Jaffray Melick Lookout, Jack Robinson Park, Operations Building, Keewatin sign, Airport Rd. Triangle, LOW Cemetery, Keewatin Medical Centre and Portage Bay Recreation Area.

The bid comparisons are as follows:

	<u>2003-2005</u>	<u>2006-2008</u>	<u>2009-2011</u>	<u>2012-2014</u>
Gould's Nursery	\$442,830.00	\$452,400.00	No Bid	No Bid
Lori Gray Horticulture	295,260.00	*253,800.00	*259,500.00	*266,500.00
Sunset Country	237,421.00	249,950.00	No Bid	No Bid
Debbie's Greenhouse	*124,000.00	356,295.00	265,920.00	313,500.00

\*\*The flowers for next year's plantings must be ordered before the end of the year.

**Budget:**

2012 Operating Budget

**Communication Plan/Notice By-law Requirements:**

Rick Perchuk, Operations Manager

Barbara A. Manson, Parks Supervisor

Lori Gray Horticulture