

10 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE - INTRODUCED BY RESOLUTION OF THE MEETING

10.1 ADMINISTRATION

Any new business of an urgent nature requires a resolution of Council in order to be considered.

The following item requires urgent consideration by Council:



To consider the Tender Applications received for Request for Tender 01 / 2013 for Supply of Digital Equipment and Installation for Jurien Bay and Cervantes.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the following new business of an urgent nature be considered by Council:

To consider the Tender Applications received for Request for Tender 01-2013 for Supply of Digital Equipment and Installation for Jurien Bay and Cervantes.

10.1.1 TENDER 01 / 2013 – SUPPLY OF DIGITAL EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATION FOR JURIEN BAY AND CERVANTES

Location:	Shire of Dandaragan
Applicant:	N/A
Folder Path:	Business Classification Scheme / Corporate Management / Tendering / Tender Documents
Disclosure of Interest:	None
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Signature of Senior Officer:	

PROPOSAL

To consider the Tender Applications received for Request for Tender 01 / 2013 for Supply of Digital Equipment and Installation for Jurien Bay and Cervantes.

BACKGROUND

The Digital Switch Taskforce proposes to switch off analogue television on 25 June 2013 and replace with digital television. The Australian Communications and Media Authority have approved the digital rebroadcasting license for the Shire of Dandaragan town sites of Jurien Bay and Cervantes.

The Shire currently transmits analog television from self-help sites in Jurien Bay and Cervantes. From 25 June 2013 the Shire will support the conversion to digital broadcasting through these self-help sites, to allow these two towns continual access

to free-to-air television. This conversion will be funded by the Country Local Government Fund, for \$277,000, through the Royalties for Regions program by the Department of Regional Lands and Development and part funded by the Shire of Dandaragan. The total budget for this project is \$296,706.

COMMENT

Four Tender Applications were lodged. Each Tenderer was assessed under the same criteria as follows:

1. Demonstrated Ability	20%
2. Timeline	25%
3. Pricing	40%
4. Warranty and Support	15%

Each Tenderer assessment against the criteria is attached.

Three Council staff assessed each application with the assistance of an external technician for guidance and assessment support.

Radio and Broadcasting Services provided two options.

Techtels' overall assessment score was high, providing the most competitive quote whilst supplying quality equipment that has been trialled and tested in other parts of Australia receiving digital.

Quotes

Company	Techtel	N-Com	Radio and Broadcasting Services		AVW
			Option 1	Option 2	
Price	\$191,266	\$214,500	\$235,867	\$245,247	\$292,877

Techtels quote to supply and install the equipment comes under budget, however, there will be numerous other costs associated with the project including the costs to hire the Digital Television Broadcasting Consultant that currently oversees the existing self-help sites, the purchase, rigging and install of antenna's, as well as the purchase of redundancy and monitoring equipment. Possible re-guying of the Cervantes tower may also be necessary.

The Country Local Government Fund Financial Assistance Agreement has not been finalised. The expected date for this finalization will be the week ending 1 February 2013.

CONSULTATION

- Mike Ryan, Communication & Wireless Services P/L

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

- Section 3.57 of the Local Government Act 1995;
- Part 4 of the Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996;
- Local Government (Functions and General) Amendment Regulations 2007; and
- The Trade Practices Act (Cth) 1974.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications relevant to this item.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council has been awarded \$277,000 funding by the Country Local Government Fund through the Royalties for Regions program by the Department of Regional Development and Lands. The Shire of Dandaragan has also budgeted \$19,706 for this project.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Councils existing Strategic Plan has identified the need for conversion from analog to digital television services in the towns of Jurien Bay and Cervantes.

1.15.1 GOAL NUMBER ONE: Strong Economic Base and Enabling Infrastructure.

Objective 2: Ensure timely provision of essential and strategic infrastructure to ensure investment and growth for the Shire is maximised.

G1-O2-A5 Television Services:

Access VAST, lobby WIN and GWN for Turquoise Coast TV; and Support regional lobbying to produce friendly guidelines for self-help terrestrial retransmission for Jurien Bay and Cervantes.

ATTACHMENTS

Circulated with the agenda are the following items relevant to this report:

- Assessment Matrix (Doc id: 11145)
- Tender Comments (Doc id: 11225)

(Marked 10.1.1)

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple majority

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That Council award Tender 01 / 2013 Supply of Digital Equipment and Installation to tender applicant Techtel for the tendered amount of \$191,266 incl GST subject to the

**Country Local Government Fund Digital Rebroadcasting
Shire of Dandaragan Financial Assistance Agreement
approval.**
