

REPORT TO: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - 22ND OCTOBER 2007

REPORT ON: CHRISTMAS LIGHTS 2007

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

REPORT NO.: 508-2007

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To seek approval to the proposals and contract / tender for Christmas Lighting 2007.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Approval is recommended of (1) the Christmas Lighting display proposals as set out in this report and the attached Appendix 1 (2) the acceptance of the tender submitted by Dundee Contract Services as set out in Appendix 2.

3 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 3.1 The Head of Finance has confirmed that funding for the above projects is available as detailed on the attached Appendix 2.

4 MAIN TEXT

- 4.1 The general city wide display will be the same as last year.
- 4.2 The City Square display is the second year of a three year lease arrangement with Scotia Animations Ltd and the attached Appendix 1 outlines the full proposals for Christmas Lighting in and around the City.
- 4.3 Requests have been received over recent years from the following:-
1. Broughty Ferry Traders Association - additional catenary lights in Gray Street.
 2. Ardler Village Trust - tree and lights.
 3. Mid Craigie Church - tree and lights.
 4. Top of the Hill Community Forum - tree and lights.
 5. Panmure Street - catenary lights.

It has not been possible to accommodate these requests this year due to budget constraints.

5. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This Report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management.

There are no major issues.

6 CONSULTATIONS

- 6.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Finance), Depute Chief Executive (Support Services) and Head of Finance.

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1 Article II of the Minute of Meeting of the Economic Development Committee held on 11th September 2006 which approved the acceptance of the lease agreement with Scotia Animations Ltd, Aberdeen for the period 2006-2008.

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DATE: 15TH OCTOBER 2007

CHRISTMAS DISPLAY 2007**FESTIVE LIGHTING 2007 SUMMARY OF PROVISION****Summary**

The proposed lighting display is the same as 2006, as follows:-

City Square

14 metre (45 foot) Artificial tree in the traditional festive colours of red, green and white perpetuate a traditional Christmas feeling. The tree will be festooned with red bows to give daytime effect and thousands of white lights to enhance the appeal in darker hours. The red bows will be repeated on the lamp posts and attached to the east and west buildings to compliment the colour scheme of the tree. Spirals of greenery, bows and lights will be fixed to the columns of the Caird Hall, and to complete the display pea light cones will be affixed to the top of the lighting columns.

The two Fountains will also be illuminated.

A barrier of fir branches will be placed around the base of the tree.

The small permanent trees will be fitted with pea lights.

The colonnade at the Caird Hall will be back washed with coloured lights.

Broughty Ferry

6 No Catenary lights in Brook Street.
Natural tree and lights at the library.

Lochee

6 No lights affixed to lighting columns in High Street.
Natural tree and lights on the roundabout at the by-pass.

Westport

Natural tree and lights at the former toilets.

Seabraes (Perth Road)

Natural tree and lights at the garden area.

Whitfield

Natural tree and lights at the police station.

Stobswell

Natural tree and lights at foot of Morgan Academy grounds.

CITY CENTRE**Reform Street**

6 No overhead light features.

Whitehall Street

1 overhead light feature.

Crichton Street

1 overhead light feature.

Castle Street

1 overhead light feature.

Commercial Street

2 overhead light features.

Murraygate

3 overhead light features.

6 Curtain lights on lamp posts.

1 Illuminated figure on pole at Wellgate end.

High Street

1 overhead light feature.

Some trees fitted with lights.

Nethergate

Illuminated Features on lamp posts.

Union Street

4 No Catenary lights.

CLIENT	Economic Development		Economic Development	
PROJECT REFERENCE PROJECT	07-5220A City Christmas Decorations and Events 2007/2008 Displays at City Square		07-5220B City Christmas Decorations and Events 2007/2008 Electrical Installation	
DESCRIPTION OF WORKS	Supply, Installation and removal of various illuminated features around the City Square including a 14 metre high artificial tree, bows and spiral decorations to the Caird Hall columns and pealight cone trees on top of existing lamp posts. The offer is for a lease over three years of which this is the second year.		Erection and connection of the Christmas Lighting equipment and features with supply cables as required at Dundee City Centre, Westport, Seabraes, Stobswell, Lochee High Street and bypass roundabout, Whitfield Police Station, Broughty Ferry Library and Brook Street including the erection of associated Christmas trees and garlands.	
TOTAL COST	Several Works	£34,108.00	Several Works	£162,513.32
	Allowances	£202.00	Allowances	£11,733.00
	TOTAL	£34,310.00	TOTAL	£174,246.32
FUNDING SOURCE BUDGET PROVISION & PHASING	Economic Development Revenue Budget		2007/2008	
			Economic Development Revenue Budget	£97,690.00
			Common Good fund	£30,000.00
ADDITIONAL FUNDING	None		Funded from Renewal and Repair Fund	£46,556.32
REVENUE IMPLICATIONS	None		None	
LOCAL AGENDA 21	None			
EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES	None		None	
TENDERS	Negotiated offer with specialist (three year total):		Negotiated offer:	
	1 Scotia Animations Ltd, Aberdeen	£34,108.00	1 Dundee Contract Services	£162,513.32
RECOMMENDATION	Note: the second year of the lease		Acceptance of offer.	
ALLOWANCES	Planning Supervisor	£202.00	Professional Services	£11,733.00
	TOTAL	£202.00	TOTAL	£11,733.00
SUB-CONTRACTORS	None		None	
BACKGROUND PAPERS	None		None	

