



COMMUNICATION UPDATE

TO:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	October 15, 2025
SUBJECT:	Procurement Policy 10 - Kenora Transfer Station Emergency Structural Repairs (WM2509) (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
SUBMITTED BY:	Joel McCormick Director, Waste Management (Acting) Public Works Department
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This Communication Update is provided in accordance with Procurement Policy By-law No. 22-205, Policy #10 – Emergency Procurements; and is related to emergency repairs that were required due to the discovery of a significant building structural issue at the Kenora Transfer Station.

In March 2024, Ferro Engineering Group was retained to assess a potential structural concern involving a support column located in the northwest section of the tip floor. During the inspection, notable deformation of the column was observed, prompting a broader investigation into adjacent structural components, including the overhead beam assembly and the existing X-braced bay.

The investigation concluded that these components were overstressed and did not meet current Ontario Building Code requirements. Given the health and safety risks, and the fact that the Kenora Transfer Station handles the majority of the City's curbside waste collection, staff determined that an Emergency Procurement under Policy #10 was necessary to proceed with repairs.

Belko Contracting Incorporated was engaged to complete the work, which was finalized in August 2024. The total cost of the repairs under Procurement Policy #10 was \$829,494.06 (excluding Harmonized Sales Tax) and funded from Project ID 5120094001.

The completed repairs have restored the structural integrity of the facility, ensuring compliance with current building codes, and supporting the continued operation of this critical component of the City's waste management system.

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For further information, please contact Rob Conley, Manager of Recycling and Waste Disposal at (905) 546-2424, extension 7296.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

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