

# Transportation Committee

Item: 2010-49

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Metropolitan Council Meeting: February 24, 2010

**ADVISORY INFORMATION** 

Date: February 2, 2010

Subject: Storage Tanks at Heywood, Nicollet and Ruter Garages,

Project 62710

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### **Proposed Action**

Authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a professional services contract for Design and Construction Support services relative to the installation of above-ground storage tanks at the Heywood, Nicollet and Ruter Garages, with Stanley Consultants at a cost of \$420,000.

#### **Background**

This contract represents a continuation of our program to replace underground storage tanks at garage facilities. In 2009, the Council contracted to replace underground tanks with above-ground installations at the Overhaul Base and the South Garage. The eventual installation of above-ground tanks at the Heywood and Nicollet Garages and removal of tanks at the Ruter Garage will complete the program.

The tanks store diesel fuel, motor oil, antifreeze fluid and transmission fluid. Underground tanks have been prone to deterioration and leakage. The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) endorses our action to minimize potentially adverse impacts to the environment.

On November 6, 2009, five proposals were received and evaluated in accordance with Brooks Act procedures for federally funded projects. A 15% Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal was assigned to this project. Stanley Consultants has committed 12% of the work to be directed to DBE companies. The Office of Diversity and Equal Opportunity (ODEO) has approved the commitment and good faith effort from Stanley Consultants. The proposed contract value of \$420,000 is reasonable and slightly higher (4%) than the engineer's estimate of \$403,000.

#### Rationale

Authorization to award and execute this contract improves the Council's ability to minimize potential environmental impacts. The execution of professional services contract in excess of \$250,000 requires Council approval.

## **Funding**

This project initially consisted of \$6.8 million (\$5.4 federal and \$1.4 local). Current remaining funds total \$4.6 million. This proposed professional services contract plus soft costs will result in approximately \$3.5 million available for the construction of the remaining above-ground tankage. This amount is within the initial conceptual estimate for this project.

### **Known Support / Opposition**

There is no known opposition to the project.