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# Transportation Committee

Meeting date: January 24, 2011

Metropolitan Council Meeting: February 9, 2011

**ADVISORY INFORMATION** 

Date: January 6, 2011

Subject: Contract for Metro Transit Facilities Drain Cleaning and

**Disposal Services** 

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Council Procurement Policy

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Division/Department: Metro Transit Engineering and Facilities

### **Proposed Action**

Authorize the Regional Administrator to execute a contract with Root-O-Matic for drain cleaning, sump cleaning and disposal services at Metro Transit facilities.

### **Background**

All Metro Transit maintenance facilities require periodic drain and sump cleaning services. The service consists of regularly scheduled cleaning of sumps and drains, as well as cleaning on an as-needed basis, together with the proper disposal of the waste collected. Existing services have been provided through a three year contract that is nearing expiration. The existing contract was valued at \$361,500.

The Council received six bids on January 4, 2011 ranging in value from \$361,560 to \$1,386,150. The low bid of \$361,560 submitted by Root-O-Matic compares favorably with the estimate of \$475,000.

#### Rationale

Drain and sump cleaning services, along with proper waste disposal is an essential maintenance function. The existing services provided under a three year contract, are coming to an end. The low bid of \$361,560, for another three year period, was obtained competitively and compares favorably with the estimate.

### **Funding**

Funds are available within the Engineering and Facilities operating budget. A Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal was not established for this procurement as federal funding is not being used.

## **Known Support / Opposition**

There is no known opposition to the proposed action.