

Transportation Committee

Business Item: 2011-97

Meeting date: April 11, 2011

Metropolitan Council Meeting: April 27, 2011

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date: March 16, 2011

Subject: Central Corridor Light Rail Transit: Subordinate Funding

Agreements with the Board of Water Commissioners of

the City of St. Paul

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: MN Statutes 473.3999 and 473.405

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Division/Department: Metro Transit / Central Corridor Project Office

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Subordinate Funding Agreement (SFA) for up to \$2.0 million under the existing Master Funding Agreement with the Board of Water Commissioners of the City of St. Paul.

Background

On May 13, 2009, the Council authorized the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Cooperative Construction and Utility Relocation Agreement with the Board of Water Commissioners of the City of St. Paul only for advance utility work on 4th Street.

On September 9, 2009, the Council authorized the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Master Funding Agreement with the Board of Water Commissioners of the City of St. Paul for construction of water public utilities for the Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (CCLRT) Project beyond 4th Street. The Master Funding Agreement established the contractual framework between the Metropolitan Council and the Board of Water Commissioners of the City of St. Paul. Subordinate Funding Agreements (SFA) provide the mechanism to transfer funds between the Metropolitan Council and the Board of Water Commissioners of the City of St. Paul.

The Metropolitan Council will reimburse the Board of Water Commissioners of the City of St. Paul for up to \$2.0 million for 2011 water facility work performed by St. Paul Regional Water Services related to the Civil East construction.

Rationale

The Metropolitan Council and Board of Water Commissioners of the City of St. Paul wish to work cooperatively on the water facility work to minimize impacts to customers, to save costs, and to meet the CCLRT Project schedule.

SFAs exceeding \$250,000 require Metropolitan Council authorization.

Funding

Funding is available from CCLRT Project budget.

Known Support / Opposition

The Board of Water Commissioners of the City of St. Paul supports the subordinate funding agreements. No known opposition.