Business Item Item: 2012-27

# Transportation Committee

Meeting date: January 23, 2012

Metropolitan Council Meeting: February 8, 2012

ADVISORY INFORMATION	
Date:	January 13, 2012
Subject:	Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (Green Line): Authorization to Approve Contract Amendment for Environmental Testing and Monitoring during Construction
District(s), Member(s):	AII
Policy/Legal Reference:	Procurement of Professional Services
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Division/Department:	Metro Transit/ Central Corridor Project Office

#### **Proposed Action**

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to: Execute an amendment to the professional services contract with Braun Intertec for environmental testing and monitoring during construction as part of the Central Corridor LRT (Green Line) project in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 for a total amended contract value of \$1,049,229.26.

### Background

On June 23, 2010, the Council authorized the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a professional services contract with Braun Intertec for environmental testing and monitoring during construction of the Central Corridor LRT (Green Line) in an amount not to exceed \$800,000. On August 4, 2010, the Council entered into a contract with Braun Intertec in the amount of \$799,229.26 for this work.

### Rationale

The contract as amended includes additional project management staff time by Braun Intertec to replace a position that had been previously filled by MnDOT staff. It is desirable to use consulting staff time rather than to permanently hire an agency staff person to fill a position that has a definite end in the near term (2013).

The contract as amended also provides for additional field staff time to deal with unforeseen conditions that were encountered during the 2011 construction season and that will reasonably be expected to be encountered during the 2012 construction season. These unforeseen conditions included greater areas and quantities of contaminated soil and asbestos abatement underneath University Avenue.

### Funding

Funding for this action is available in the Central Corridor LRT (Green Line) project contingency.

## Known Support / Opposition

There is no known opposition to the proposed action.