

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date Prepared: July 16, 2008

Subject: Authorization to Award and Execute a Contract for the Construction of the Point Douglas Lift Station L-12 Improvements, MCES Project No. 802200, Contract No. 07P003

Proposed Action:

That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract for construction of the Point Douglas Lift Station L-12 Improvements, MCES Project No. 802200 with Rochon Corporation for their low bid of \$2,557,053.80.

Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

Councilmember Wittsack asked for clarification of the figures shown in the business item for Estimated Project Cost and Current Authorization. Staff explained that the current authorization is based on the facility plan, adjusted for inflation. The low bid was \$800,000 below the engineer's estimate, which explains most of the difference between the current authorization (\$4,500,000) and the estimated project costs (\$3,400,000)



Environment Committee

Meeting date: June 24, 2008

For the Metropolitan Council Meeting of August 13, 2008

Business Item

Item: 2008 – 173

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| Date: | June 18, 2008 |
| Subject: | Authorization to Award and Execute a Contract for the Construction of the Point Douglas Lift Station L-12 Improvements, MCES Project No. 802200, Contract No. 07P003 |
| District(s), Member(s): | District 14, Kirstin Beach, (651) 224-8334 |
| Policy/Legal Reference: | Policy 3-3, Expenditures |
| Staff Prepared/Presented: | William P. Moeller 651- 602-4504 |
| Division/Department: | MCES c/o William G. Moore, 651-602-1162 |

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Background

The proposed construction of the field-fabricated submersible type four-pump lift station is located approximately 300-feet north of the present L-12 site. The lift station will have a split wet well and a valve vault. Its superstructure will house a control room, emergency generator, ventilation, heating, and sanitary facilities. The lift station has been configured to facilitate future installation of outdoor odor control equipment.

One hour of emergency storage at average flow conditions is provided by upsizing 300-linear feet of inlet gravity sewer to 90-inch diameter. The lift station will discharge into a new 16-inch diameter forcemain. The existing forcemain will be cleaned, inspected, remain in service, and utilized as a redundant barrel. The existing lift station will be demolished when the new station becomes operational.

Eight bids were received on May 28, 2008. The apparent low bidder, Landwehr Construction, subsequently withdrew their bid due to a material mistake (an omission of part of the work) in their bid. The seven remaining bids ranged from \$2,557,053.80 to \$3,319,835.50. The Engineer’s estimate was \$3,347,750. The low bidder, Rochon Corporation, proposes 3.6% minority-owned and 33% women-owned business participation. This project is financed through the Public Facilities Authority, which has set participation goals of 3.5% for minority-owned and 11.5% for women-owned businesses.

Rationale

- Construction contract awards exceeding \$1,000,000 require Metropolitan Council authorization.

Funding

Funding is provided in the 2008 MCES Capital Budget, Project Number 802200

| Annual or Capital | Project No. | Estimated Project Cost | Current Authorization | Unencumbered Funds | Requested Amount |
|-------------------|-------------|------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Capital | 802200 | \$3,400,000 | \$4,500,000 | \$4,040,000 | \$2,557,053.80 |

Known Support / Opposition

Supported by the City of Saint Paul staff; no known opposition.