

E Environment Committee
For the Metropolitan Council meeting of April 28, 2010

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date Prepared: April 19, 2010

Subject: Authorization to Reject Proposals for Architectural and Engineering Design and Construction Support Services for the Metropolitan Wastewater Treatment Plant Vactor Site, Contract No. 09P228C

Proposed Action:

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to reject all proposals for Architectural and Engineering Design and Construction Support Services for the Metropolitan Wastewater Treatment Plant (MWWTP) Vactor Site, Contract 09P228C.

Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

Council Member Leppik asked when the vactor site needs to be in place. Staff responded that there is a vactor site operating at 5th and Kittson, which is slated to be demolished as part of the MnDOT bridge construction. The vactor operation will need to be moved from that site in conjunction with the bridge construction.

Council Member Wittsack asked if there was a common theme in why the proposals did not meet the Council's expectations. Staff responded that the proposers did not understand the nuances to our vactor waste, that it is not just water but also sludge and debris, and it poses a number of special circumstances that were not addressed in the proposals. Staff will address this with a more detailed preliminary design and set of performance requirements.

Motion to approve the proposed action was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

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Meeting date: April 13, 2009

For the Metropolitan Council Meeting of April 28, 2010

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Date:	March 17, 2010
Subject:	Authorization to Reject Proposals for Architectural and Engineering Design and Construction Support Services for the Metropolitan Wastewater Treatment Plant Vactor Site, Contract No. 09P228C
District(s), Member(s):	All
Policy/Legal Reference:	Council Policy 3-3 Expenditures – Procurement of Goods and Services Over \$250,000 & MN Statute 473.129
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Background

A formal solicitation was released on December 30, 2009 for Architectural and Engineering Design and Construction Support services for the MWWTP Vactor Site. Proposals were due on January 27, 2010 with five respondents submitting proposals. The project was budgeted for \$600,000.

Rationale

After the Evaluation Panel met and reviewed all of the proposals submitted they determined that the proposals from the respondents were unsatisfactory and would not lead to a successful project. The proposal stated that the project would require a very technical approach to developing a design. The panel members agreed that none of the respondents outlined the requirements as outlined. The panel recommends not awarding this contract and rejecting all of the proposals.

Staff will reevaluate and decide whether or not to do another solicitation at a later date.

Funding

No impact at this time.

Known Support / Opposition

All Evaluation Panel members support this decision as does the Contracts and Procurement Unit and the General Manager of Environmental Services.