

E Environment Committee

Item: 2010-323

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of January 12, 2011

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date Prepared: January 4, 2011

Subject: Authorization to Negotiate and Execute a Construction Cooperation Agreement with the City of Minneapolis for Utility Relocation and Street Repair for the Hopkins Forcemain Improvements

Proposed Action:

That the Metropolitan Council authorizes its Regional Administrator to negotiate a Construction Cooperation Agreement with the City of Minneapolis for utility relocation and street repair for the Hopkins Forcemain Improvements.

Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

After considerable discussion, the committee acted on the proposed action with the stipulation that the agreement will be brought to the committee before this item is sent to the full Council for approval. Committee concerns dealt with the lack of a bidding process for the proposed construction, because Minneapolis requires that the city perform the work itself.

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

Note: At its January 11, 2011 meeting, the Environment Committee will be informed that staff has proposed that line item pricing be included for restoration items which may be done by the City of Minneapolis. Prices will be obtained from all prospective bidders and the city given the right of first refusal. The city may do the work at the low bid price, or have the MCES contract perform the work.



Environment Committee

Meeting date: September 14, 2010

For the Metropolitan Council Meeting of September 22, 2010

Business Item

Item: 2010-323

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	August 26, 2010
Subject:	Authorization to Negotiate and Execute a Construction Cooperation Agreement with the City of Minneapolis for Utility Relocation and Street Repair for the Hopkins Forcemain Improvements
District(s), Member(s):	District #6, Peggy Leppik
Policy/Legal Reference:	Minnesota Statutes 473.504
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Scott Dentz 651-602-4503
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Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorizes its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a Construction Cooperation Agreement with the City of Minneapolis for utility relocation and street repair for the Hopkins Forcemain improvements.

Background

The Metropolitan Council Environmental Services is reconstructing/rehabilitating the Hopkins force main, MSB 7026 through the communities of Hopkins, St. Louis Park, and Minneapolis. The Metropolitan Council approved the Facility Plan for the Hopkins System Improvements by resolution 2010-03 on February 24, 2010. This project is now in design for the portion within the City of Minneapolis and construction work is expected to begin in spring 2011.

Work to reconstruct or rehabilitate the existing force main within the City of Minneapolis will require replacement of street paving and both temporary removals or relocations of city utilities during the construction. The City of Minneapolis Public Works Department performs much of its water, sewer, and street replacement work with in-house staff. The Public Works Department has requested that certain work involving water mains and street restoration be completed by the City. This work is expected to include engineering, construction, and inspection services.

Rationale

A cooperative agreement will define cost sharing as well as design and construction responsibilities during the force main replacement work. Cooperative agreements require Metropolitan Council authorization.

Funding

Annual or Capital	Project Number	Estimated Project Cost	Current Authorization	Unencumbered Funds	Requested Amount
Capital	804120	\$2,976,000	\$18,016,000	\$17,600,000	\$0

Known Support / Opposition

No known opposition.