Committee Report

Transportation Committee

Metropolitan Council meeting: February 8, 2012

Item: 2012-27 CONSENT

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date Prepared: January 25, 2012

Subject: Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (Green Line): Authorization to Approve

Contract Amendment for Environmental Testing and Monitoring during

Construction

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.

Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

Kathryn O'Brien gave a presentation on the item. Councilmember Brimeyer asked whether there will be more amendments to this contract. Ms. O'Brien answered that there may be, as there are unknown circumstances that only construction will reveal.

A motion to approve the item was made by Councilmember Schreiber, seconded by Councilmember Smith, and unanimously approved. This item was approved to go to the full Council as consent.

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): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Procurement of Professional Services

Staff Prepared/Presented: Brian Lamb, General Manager 612-349-7510

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Services, 651-602-1927

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.