

E Environment Committee

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of September 12, 2012

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date Prepared: September 12, 2012

Subject: Authorization to Award and Execute a Construction Contract for Wayzata Area Improvements – Phase 2, MCES Project No. 802844, Contract No. 12P056

Proposed Action:

That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract for construction of the Wayzata Area Improvements – Phase 2, MCES Project Number 802844, Contract No. 12P056, with S. J. Louis Construction, Inc., for their low responsive bid of \$3,724,561.

Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:

There was discussion about the amount of time between the bid opening and the request for action by the Council. Normally, the process usually takes a couple of weeks. In this case, it took additional time to allow bidders to appeal the determination of the Office of Diversity and Equal Opportunity that two of the bidders were non-responsive in meeting the disadvantaged business participation goals.

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

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Meeting date: September 11, 2012

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ADVISORY INFORMATION	
Date:	September 5, 2012
Subject:	Authorization to Award and Execute a Construction Contract for Wayzata Area Improvements – Phase 2, MCES Project No. 802844, Contract No. 12P056
District(s), Member(s):	District #3, Jennifer Munt
Policy/Legal Reference:	Policy 3-3, Expenditures
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Bill Moeller 651-602-4504; Scott Dentz 651-602-4503
Division/Department:	MCES w/o Leisa Thompson, 651-602-8101

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Background

The Wayzata Force Main Improvement project will create a dual forcemain system from MCES Lift Station L-26 (Wayzata) to its discharge point downstream of the Gray’s Bay Bridge. The Force Main improvements will be constructed in segments that coincide with other road/utility projects along its alignment. The Phase 2 project includes construction activities to provide 2500 lineal feet of 24-inch forcemain and associated appurtenances along Lake Street and Grove Land from the L26 pump station to approximately Broadway Avenue. The forcemain at this location will connect to a new pipe that was previously installed for MCES under a city project. Additional phases are anticipated to bid in 2013-2014.

Five bids, ranging from \$3,344,543 to \$4,272,232, were received and opened on July 19, 2012. The engineer’s estimate is \$4,064,042.

The project is funded by PFA loan, and has disadvantaged business participation goals of 5% Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) and 10% Women’s Business Enterprise (WBE).

The two apparent low bidders have been found to be non-responsive, because they failed to meet the MBE/WBE participation goals and failed to demonstrate good faith efforts to meet the goals. The third low bidder, S. J. Louis Construction, Inc., proposed 15% WBE and 2% MBE participation. They met the WBE goal and demonstrated good faith efforts to meet the MBE goal as determined by the Office of Diversity and Equal Opportunity.

Rationale

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

Funding

Funding is provided in the 2012 MCES Authorized Capital Program.

Annual or Capital	Project No.	Estimated Project Cost	Current Authorization	Unencumbered Funds	Requested Amount
Capital	802844	\$4,400,000	\$7,950,000	\$7,940,000	\$3,724,561

Known Support / Opposition

No known opposition.