Executive Summary

Item: 2007 - 300

Environment Committee

Meeting date: September 11, 2007 For the Metropolitan Council Meeting of September 26, 2007

ADVISORY INFORMATION

| Date: | September 6, 2007 | | |
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| Subject: | | | |
| | Smithtown Road Interceptor, Roadway, Stormwater and Watermain Improvements, MCES Project No. 802811 | | |
| District(s), Member(s): | District #4, Brian Lundquist | | |
| Policy/Legal Reference: | Policy 3-3, Expenditures | | |
| Staff Prepared/Presented: | : Bryce Pickart, 651-602-1091 | | |
| Division/Department: | MCES c/o William G. Moore, 651-602-1162 | | |

Proposed Action/Motion

That the Metropolitan Council finds the bid submitted by Park Construction Company to be non-responsive; and that the Metropolitan Council authorizes its Regional Administrator to reject the bid submitted by Park Construction Company and to award and execute a contract for construction of the Smithtown Road Interceptor, Roadway, Stormwater and Watermain Improvements, MCES Project No. 802811 with S.M. Hentges for their low responsive, responsible bid of \$5,193,902.70, subject to the determination that S.M. Hentges has demonstrated good faith efforts in securing MBE/WBE participation.

Issue(s)

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

Overview and Funding

This project is part of a two phase project to eliminate Lift Stations L-22 and L-23 and replace them with deep gravity tunnels. This portion of the project includes replacement of the existing 10-foot x 6-foot culvert between Lake Virginia and Lake Minnetonka with dual 10-foot x 5-foot culverts, and installing approximately 260 LF of 54-inch and 150 LF of triple barrel 33-inch diameter fiberglass gravity sewer pipe. This project also consists of two transition structures and a control structure.

Six (6) bids, ranging from \$4,109,912.70 to \$6,573,608.00, were received and opened on September 4, 2007. The engineer's estimate was \$5,929,267.

Park Construction Company, which submitted the apparent low bid, failed to submit Part B of the MBE and WBE Certification of Good Faith Efforts. *Document 0200 (Instructions to Bidders)*, Article 2.5(F)(2), provides as follows: "Failure to include *Document 00480A Minority Business Enterprise Information and Certifications* and *Document 00480B Women Business Enterprise Information and Certifications*, or failure to properly complete either document, will result in the bid being rejected as non-responsive."

The lowest responsive, responsible bid was submitted by S.M. Hentges in the amount of \$5,193,902.70. S.M. Hentges has proposed a minority-owned business participation of 0.77% and women-owned business participation of 8.4%. The Office of Diversity is reviewing the information to determine whether the contractor has demonstrated good faith efforts in securing W/MBE participation for this project.

Funding is provided in the 2007 MCES Capital Budget, Project Number 802811.

| BUDGET INFORMATION | | | | | | | |
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| Annual or | Year Project | Estimated | | Unencumbered | Requested | | |
| Capital | Approved | Project Cost | Current Auth. | Funds | Amount | | |
| Capital | 2007 | \$6,200,000 | \$6,500,000 | \$6,000,000 | \$5,193,902.70 | | |