

E Environment Committee
Meeting date: May 10, 2011

For Metropolitan Council Meeting of May 25, 2011

ADVISORY INFORMATION	
Date:	May 2, 2011
Subject:	Authorization to Negotiate and Execute a Cooperative Agreement with the City of Golden Valley, MCES Project No. 805700.
District(s), Member(s):	James Brimeyer
Policy/Legal Reference:	MN Statutes 473.504 Subd. 6 and 471.59
Staff Prepared/Presented:	William (Bill) Cook, 651-602-1811
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Proposed Action

The Metropolitan Council authorizes its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a cooperative agreement, between the Council and the City of Golden Valley, for the Design of a portion of a Force Main and appurtenances at a cost not to exceed \$250,000.

Background

The MCES needs to provide additional sanitary sewer capacity to serve the communities of St. Louis Park and Golden Valley. This service has been planned to be provided by the construction of a lift station in the vicinity of the Golden Valley/St. Louis Park border and the construction of a force main from that location to the existing Plymouth Force Main.

The City of Golden Valley currently has completed the design of a project to reconstruct Circle Downs, a local street along the proposed route of the force main. That project is anticipated to bid in January of 2012. The MCES has an interest in constructing its force main in the Circle Down right of way, as part of this project, without disrupting the bidding schedule of the street project.

The initial element of the cooperative agreement will be for design services to add the force main into the City's street project. We anticipate amendments to this cooperative agreement to address construction elements of the project when they are identified.

Rationale

Cooperative agreements exceeding \$250,000 require Metropolitan council authorization. This agreement, when completed will exceed that amount. Placing the MCES pipe in the City's project will reduce disruption, preserve the route and save money for the MCES, and the City of Golden Valley.

Funding

Funding for the design of this project is provided in the 2011 Authorized Capital Program.

Annual or Capital	Project No.	Estimated Project Cost	Current Authorization	Unencumbered Funds	Requested Amount
Capital	805700	\$30,000,000	\$4,000,000	\$3,935,000	\$250,000

Known Support / Opposition

There is concern that this project will disrupt the residents of Golden Valley significantly compared to other routes. The MCES is working with the City staff to address these concerns and to mitigate as many of those concerns as possible.