

Business Item: 2011-168

For the Metropolitan Council Meeting of June 22, 2011

**ADVISORY INFORMATION** 

**Date:** June 8, 2011

Subject: Final Ratification of Flood Emergency Expenditures and

Reimbursement of Flood Preparation and Protection

**Expenditures** 

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Council Policy 3-3, Expenditures

Staff Prepared/Presented: Jim Nally 651-602-834

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## **Proposed Action**

That the Metropolitan Council ratify expenditures made for flood preparation and protection measures and adopt the attached resolution authorizing the Regional Administrator or his designee to sign agreements with the Minnesota Department of Public Safety related to reimbursement of flood-related expenditures.

### **Background**

Flood conditions were projected for the Minnesota and Mississippi Rivers, affecting the Metropolitan, Blue Lake, and Hastings wastewater treatment plants. Business Item 2011-55 and the associated 'Justification for and Declaration of Emergency' were approved by the Environment Committee on February 8, 2011 and by the full Council on February 23, 2011. At that time, the estimated cost for the expected flood preparation and protection measures was \$400,000. Three contracts over \$100,000 were issued under the emergency declaration. The total expenditure for each is as follows:

1.	Hastings WWTP Flood Wall	\$112,331.80	Lametti & Sons
2.	Blue Lake WWTP Back-up Pumps	\$147,482.43	Northern Dewatering
3.	Metropolitan WWTP Temporary Road & Barriers	\$359,909.59	Lametti & Sons

Later projections by the National Weather Service indicated higher flood stages than originally projected, requiring additional preparation and protection measures. While the higher flood stages were never reached, the duration of the flood event did exceed original projections, requiring a longer term response. On April 6, Governor Mark Dayton signed Emergency Executive Order 11-11 declaring a state of emergency in the State of Minnesota.

Council staff is currently working with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to identify potentially reimbursable expenditures. This would include the three contracts listed above, plus additional expenditures and costs which may be eligible. The attached resolution is required by the State of Minnesota as part of the FEMA reimbursement request.

#### Rationale

Contracts issued under emergency declaration must be ratified by the Council if the costs exceed \$100,000.

## **Funding**

Estimated cost for the flood preparation and protection measures is \$800,000.

## **Known Support / Opposition**

None.

# Resolution Delegating Legal Signing Authority

Be it resolved that the jurisdiction of	Metropolitan Council , has authorize
Patrick Born, Regional Adm	ministrator
Name, Title	Name, Title
to sign any and all grants or required o	documentation from the Division of Homeland Security
and Emergency Management at the D	epartment of Public Safety, executed on behalf
of Metropolitan Council	
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:	Regional Administrator
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