

METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

390 North Robert Street, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Tuesday, August 9, 2011

Committee Members Present: Chair Sandra Rummel, Harry Melander, Lona Schreiber, Gary Van Eyll, Vice-Chair Wendy Wulff

Committee Members Absent: John Đoàn, Edward Reynoso

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Committee Chair Rummel called the regular meeting of the Council's Environment Committee to order at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 9, 2011.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES

It was moved by Melander, seconded by Wulff, to approve the agenda.

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Wulff, to approve the minutes of the July 26, 2011 regular meeting of the Environment Committee. Wulff amended the motion to cover both the minutes and agenda. Schreiber agreed. **Motion carried.**

BUSINESS

2011-215 Authorization to Acquire Permanent Easements and to File a Condemnation Petition, East Bethel Reclaimed Water Distribution System, MCES Project 801620, Resolution No. 2011-14

It was moved by Melander, seconded by Wulff, that the Metropolitan Council pass resolution 2011- 14 which authorizes the acquisition of permanent and temporary easements necessary for the East Bethel Reclaimed Water Distribution System, MCES Project 801620, and which authorizes the Council's legal staff to initiate condemnation proceedings for those parcels which staff cannot acquire by negotiation.

Motion carried.

2011-216 Authorization to Negotiate and Execute an Electrical Engineering Services Agreement, Contract No. 11P121

It was moved by Schreiber, seconded by Wulff, that the Metropolitan Council authorizes its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute an electrical engineering services agreement in the amount of \$1,000,000 with Camp, Dresser & McKee, Inc. (CDM), Contract No. 11P121.

Motion carried.

2011-217 Rejection of Bid on Contract 11P083 – Control Panel Wiring Harness Fabrication

It was moved by Wulff, seconded by Melander, that the Metropolitan Council authorizes the Regional Administrator to reject the bid on Contract No. 11P083 – Control Panel Wiring Harness Fabrication from Corval Constructors in the amount of \$295,214.00.

Motion carried

INFORMATION

Discussion of CIP & Capital Program, and Capital Budget, Part 1

Bryce Pickart, Assistant General Manager of Technical Services, provided an overview of the proposed 2012-2017 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), authorized multi-year

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capital program, and the 2012 Capital Budget. He explained that the capital program strategy is to preserve infrastructure, meet commitments, and prepare for the future. Key projects included in the proposed CIP are at the Blue Lake, Metropolitan, and East Bethel plants. The proposed 2012 Capital Program requests authorization for four new projects (preliminary engineering for Empire Solids and Seneca Solids, and rehabilitation of Minneapolis and Victoria interceptors). It also requests authorization for adjustments to existing project, deletion of completed projects, and authorization of the construction phase for the Golden Valley area improvements project. The proposed 2012 Capital Budget is \$135 million.

General Manager's Report

William G. Moore reported that the NPDES permit limits have been successfully met for 54 months.

He also reported that he and the Regional Administrator will be meeting with the Commissioner of the Pollution Control Agency to discuss PFOS issues at the metro plant and the interaction between their ongoing legal action with 3M and how the Council fits into the whole picture.

Business completed, the meeting adjourned at 5:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan M. Harder
Recording Secretary