

T Transportation Committee

Meeting date: July 13, 2009

For Metropolitan Council Meeting: July 22, 2009

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	July 6, 2009
Subject:	Construction of 181st Street Park and Ride in Lakeville, Urban Partnership Agreement (UPA), Project 63740
District(s), Member(s):	District 16, Wendy Wulff, 952-484-3353
Policy/Legal Reference:	MN Statutes 473.405 subd.3
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Brian J. Lamb, General Manager, Metro Transit 612-349-7510 Tom Thorstenson, Director Engineering & Facilities 612-349-7689 Pat Jones, Assistant Director Engineering 612-349-7606 Lindsay Sheppard, Project Manager 612-349-7679
Division/Department:	Metro Transit/Engineering & Facilities

Proposed Action

Authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract with the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Friedges Contracting, for the construction of the 181st Street Park and Ride in Lakeville, Minnesota at a cost of \$1,375,000. Award of this contract is contingent upon City of Lakeville City Council approval on July 20th.

Background

As part of the Urban Partnership Agreement (UPA), construction of the 181st Street Park and Ride provides a south terminus to the Cedar Avenue routes. Constructing the Park and Ride meets a term of the agreement between the Metropolitan Council and the City of Lakeville for joining the transit taxing district.

On June 11, 2009, seven bids were received and opened publicly. The bids ranged from \$1,299,000 to \$1,620,000. The engineer's estimate for this work was \$1,517,537.76. The Friedges bid of \$1,375,000 was 9% below the engineer's estimate. A 15% Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE) goal was assigned to this project. In its evaluation of bids, the Office of Diversity and Equal Opportunity (ODEO) rejected the lowest bid because the bidder failed to meet the DBE goal or provide evidence of good faith efforts in attempting to meet the goal. The ODEO reviewed and approved the submission from Friedges Contracting.

Rationale

Authorization to award and execute a contract for the construction of the Park and Ride allows construction to begin with sufficient time to meet the timeline stipulated in the agreement between the Metropolitan Council and the City of Lakeville as well as the UPA funding deadline. The execution of a construction contract in excess of \$1,000,000 requires Council approval.

Funding

Sufficient funding from federal and local sources is available in UPA Project 63740 to award the construction contract as well as provide 5% contingency in the event of changes required during construction.

Known Support / Opposition

The City of Lakeville and the Minnesota Department of Transportation have expressed support for the subject project. The Lakeville's Planning Commission met on June 18 and recommended this project for City Council approval. The Lakeville City Council meeting is scheduled for July 20, 2009.