

# **E** Environment Committee

Item: 2012-36

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of February 8, 2012

## **ADVISORY INFORMATION**

Date Prepared: January 25, 2012

Subject: Authorization to Negotiate and Execute an Agreement with the City of Hopkins for Relocation of the L27 Lift Station

### **Proposed Action:**

The Metropolitan Council authorizes its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute an agreement with the City of Hopkins for the acquisition and development of property within Oakes Park for use as a new lift station site.

### **Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:**

Council Member Reynoso asked for clarification of the land swap, and cost to relocate ice rink. Staff explained that the Council will acquire duplex property by Collegeville Park and trade it to the city for a lift station site in Oakes Park. There will be a modest cost for the ice rink relocation.

Council Member Van Eyll asked what is done with the old lift station and property. Staff responded that the lift station will be demolished after completion of construction of the new facilities. A determination will be made later as to what to do with the property.

Motion to approve proposed action was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

# E Environment Committee

Meeting date: January 24, 2012

For the Metropolitan Council meeting on February 8, 2012

## ADVISORY INFORMATION

<b>Date:</b>	January 18, 2012
<b>Subject:</b>	Authorization to Negotiate and Execute an Agreement with the City of Hopkins for Relocation of the L27 Lift Station
<b>District(s), Member(s):</b>	District #3, Jennifer Munt
<b>Policy/Legal Reference:</b>	Minnesota Statutes 473.504, 471.59, 473.129
<b>Staff Prepared/Presented:</b>	Bryce Pickart 651-602-1091
<b>Division/Department:</b>	MCES c/o William G. Moore, 651-602-1162

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### Background

The Metropolitan Council Environmental Services is replacing the Hopkins lift station (L27) and replacing/rehabilitating the force main through the communities of Hopkins, St. Louis Park, and Minneapolis as part of the Hopkins System Improvements. The Metropolitan Council approved the Facility Plan for the Hopkins System Improvements by Resolution 2010-03 on February 24, 2010, with the condition that MCES continue to work with the City to identify an acceptable lift station site.

The city and MCES staff have tentatively agreed on the following proposal, which requires execution of an intergovernmental agreement: (1) the lift station will be located on approximately one-half acre of land that currently is part of Oakes Park, which is along Lake Street approximately 800 feet west of the current lift station site; and (2) MCES will compensate the City for acquisition of this site by acquiring a comparable value property along Blake Road and transferring ownership to the City, which will allow the City to incorporate that parcel into their planned expansion/improvement of adjacent Collegeville Park. In addition to addressing these land transactions, the agreement will address temporary use of a portion of the park during lift station construction, relocation of MCES and city utilities as necessary, reconstruction of Lake Street in the area, and other related matters.

### Rationale

Intergovernmental agreements with value exceeding \$250,000 require Metropolitan Council authorization.

### Funding

Funding is provided in the MCES Capital Program, Project No. 804100.

### Known Support / Opposition

None. City of Hopkins supports this proposal.