

**ADVISORY INFORMATION**

**Date** August 14, 2012  
**Prepared:**  
**Subject: Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (Green Line):  
Fourth Street Areaway and Sidewalk Reconstruction Contract**

**Proposed Action:**

Authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract with the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Cy-Con Inc., for the 4<sup>th</sup> Street Areaway and Sidewalk Reconstruction at a cost of \$367,000.

**Summary of Committee Discussion / Questions:**

Mark Fuhrmann presented the item. A motion was then made by Councilmember Brimeyer, seconded by Councilmember Doan and unanimously approved. This item was approved to go to the full Council as consent.

**T** Transportation Committee  
Meeting date: August 13, 2012  
Metropolitan Council Meeting: August 22, 2012

**ADVISORY INFORMATION**

<b>Date:</b>	July 12, 2012
<b>Subject:</b>	Central Corridor Light Rail Transit (Green Line): Fourth Street Areaway and Sidewalk Reconstruction Contract
<b>District(s), Member(s):</b>	All
<b>Policy/Legal Reference:</b>	MN Statutes 473.3999 and 473.405
<b>Staff Prepared/Presented:</b>	Brian Lamb, General Manager, 612-349-7510 Mark Fuhrmann, Deputy General Manager, 651-602-1942 Rich Rovang, CCLRT Project Director, 651-602-1941
<b>Division/Department:</b>	Metro Transit/Central Corridor Project Office

**Proposed Action**

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**Background**

The Areaway and Sidewalk Reconstruction contract work is located on the north side of 4<sup>th</sup> Street between Minnesota and Robert in downtown St. Paul. The contract includes the removal of existing sidewalk, removal of specific portions of the First National Bank building areaway structural roof and support members, support of existing utilities within the areaway, placement of new areaway roof support members, replacement of removed areaway roof, sidewalk and pedestrian ramps. This work will require coordination with First National Bank Building property management representatives, Xcel Energy, and Central Corridor Light Rail Transit Civil East and Systems contracts.

Four (4) bids were received and opened publicly on July 12, 2012 and ranged in value from \$367,000 to \$442,300. The engineer's estimate for this work was \$325,590. The lowest bid of \$367,000 was 12.7% above the engineer's estimate thus necessitating Council action of this contract award. After a review of the bids and comparison with the engineer's estimate, staff concluded that the Cy-Con Inc. bid is fair and reasonable. This conclusion is based on the competitiveness and closeness of the four (4) bids (within 17% of each other) and recent increases in commodity prices.

**Rationale**

Areaway and sidewalk work were included in the Advanced Utility Relocation (AUR) contract in the fall of 2010. During construction, the AUR Contractor and CCLRT Project staff recognized the areaway roof for the First National Bank building was higher than indicated on the plans along 4<sup>th</sup> Street from Minnesota Street to Robert Street. CCLRT Project staff recognized that to meet ADA required sidewalk slopes and pedestrian ramps the areaway roof needed to be lowered at the 4<sup>th</sup> and Minnesota and 4<sup>th</sup> and Robert intersections. In conversations, the AUR contractor indicated the cost to complete this work may approach \$750,000. Due to the construction season nearing completion, and potentially high cost of this work, CCLRT Project staff directed the AUR contractor to place a temporary sidewalk and opted to pursue this work under a separate contract.

**Funding**

Funding is available in the Central Corridor Light Rail Transit Project budget.

**Known Support / Opposition**

There is no known opposition.