

Meeting date: September 13, 2011

For the Metropolitan Council Meeting of September 28, 2011

ADVISORY INFORMATION

Date:	September 13, 2011
Subject:	Authorization to Award and Execute a Contract for Construction of Hopkins System Improvements – Phase 1, Contract A, MCES Project Number 804120, Contract No. 10P267
District(s), Member(s):	District 03, Jennifer Munt; District 06, James Brimeyer
Policy/Legal Reference:	Council Policy 3-3, Expenditures
Staff Prepared/Presented:	Bill Moeller 651-602-4504
Division/Department:	MCES c/o William G. Moore 651-602-1162

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorizes its Regional Administrator to award and execute a construction contract for Hopkins System Improvements – Phase 1, Contract A, MCES Project Number 804120, Contract No. 10P267, with S.J. Louis Construction, Inc. for their low bid of \$7,872,000.

Background

The work includes construction of a replacement force main located generally between Dean Parkway and East Calhoun Parkway in the City of Minneapolis. It will consist of 3,200 feet of new 18- and 24-inch force main pipe, a 90-foot wide waterway crossing and construction of four maintenance structures.

A formal Invitation for Bids (IFB) was advertised and issued for the construction contract. Five bids were received on August 24, 2011, ranging from \$7,872,000 to \$9,693,178. S.J. Louis Construction submitted the lowest responsive, responsible bid in the amount of \$7,872,000. The engineer's estimate is \$9,929,998.

This project is funded by a loan from the Minnesota Public Facilities Authority (PFA), which requires disadvantaged business participation goals of 5% Minority and 10% Women Business Enterprise (MBE and WBE). S.J. Louis Construction, Inc. proposes 1.5% WBE and 6.1% MBE participation. The Council's Office of Diversity and Equal Opportunity reviewed and documented the contractor's good faith effort to meet the WBE and MBE goals.

Rationale

Construction contracts exceeding \$1,000,000 require Metropolitan Council authorization.

Funding

BUDGET INFORMATION					
Annual or Capital	Project No.	Estimated Project Cost	Current Auth.	Unencumbered Funds	Requested Amount
Capital	804120	\$12,100,000	\$15,000,000	\$12,200,000	\$7,872,000

Known Support / Opposition

No known opposition.