

Environment Committee

Meeting date: May 14, 2013

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of May 22, 2013

Subject: Authorization to Award and Execute a Contract for Construction of the Excelsior Area Improvements Interceptor 7017 (Segment 1) Forcemain Project 802850, Contract 13P043

District(s), Member(s): District 3, Jennifer Munt

Policy/Legal Reference: 3-3, Expenditures

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Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract for construction of the Excelsior Area Improvements Interceptor 7017 (Segment 1) Forcemain Project 802850, Contract 13P043 with SR Weidema, Inc. for their bid of \$8,048,056.90.

Background

The Lake Minnetonka Area Facility Plan determined that a second 24" force main is needed to improve reliability and to allow inspection/maintenance on the existing force main that extends through the cities of Excelsior, Greenwood and Shorewood.

Construction is planned to occur in three primary segments: Segment 1 consists of 6,500 LF force main from Division Street in Excelsior to the force main discharge in Shorewood. Segment 2 will install the remainder of the force main from Division Street to Lift Station L-19 at the western end of the project and is scheduled to bid in the fall of 2013. A 500-foot reach (third segment) was constructed last year as part of a co-operative project with the Minnetonka School District.

Contractors were prequalified to bid for contract 13P043. Plan holders included general contractors and subcontractors/suppliers. Four bids were received and opened on April 24, 2013. One bid was determined to be non-responsible and not accepted. The remaining three bids ranged from \$8,048,056.90 to \$8,451,684.00. SR Weidema's low bid was 19% less than the engineer's estimate of \$9,968,000. This project is funded by a Public Facilities Authority (PFA) loan. This contract has disadvantaged business enterprise (DBE) participation goals of 6% minority-owned and 6% women-owned businesses. The Office of Equal Opportunity passes the DBE participation submitted by SR Weidema.

Rationale

Construction contract awards exceeding \$1,000,000 require Council authorization.

Funding

2013 MCES Capital Program:

Currently Authorized: \$20,000,000

Unencumbered Funds: \$18,900,000

Requested Amount: \$8,048,056.90

Known Support / Opposition

No known opposition.