

Environment Committee

Meeting date: November 10, 2015

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of November 18, 2015

Subject: Authorization to Negotiate and Execute a Reconveyance Agreement with the City of Mound

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

Policy/Legal Reference: MN Statutes 473.5111

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Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute a reconveyance agreement with the City of Mound, and makes the following determinations pursuant to Minnesota State Statute 473.5111 related to reconveyance of the following facilities in the City of Mound:

Portions of Interceptor 6-MO-651 are no longer needed to implement the Council's Comprehensive Plan for collection, treatment and disposal of sewage in the metropolitan area. These facilities are of benefit for use by the City of Mound and are to be evaluated for condition and returned to good operating condition prior to transfer, if deemed necessary.

Background

Council staff periodically identifies interceptors that are no longer needed as metropolitan facilities. However, most of such facilities continue to be of benefit as local sanitary sewers. Minnesota statutes provide a method that the Council may utilize in order to sell, transfer, abandon, or otherwise dispose of interceptors determined no longer necessary for the metropolitan disposal system.

Rationale

The Metropolitan Council project to improve the Mound Interceptor 6-MO-651 will construct new gravity pipe, forcemain pipe, lift station L39 and eliminate the need for lift station L40. Once the new system has been installed, portions of the old system are no longer needed to implement the Council's Comprehensive Plan. Council and City staff have agreed that the facilities are of benefit to the City of Mound, and will facilitate their transfer through a reconveyance agreement in accordance with MN State Statute 473.5111.

Funding

Funding will be provided via Project No. 802827, which is included in the 2015 MCES Authorized Capital Program, to perform agreed upon repair, rehabilitate, or replacement prior to transfer to the local government unit.

Known Support / Opposition

No known opposition.