Environment Committee

Meeting date: August 23, 2016

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of September 14, 2016

Subject: Construction Contract for St. Paul – Phalen Interceptor Renewal

District(s), Member(s): District 13, Richard Kramer

Policy/Legal Reference: Council Policy 3-3, Expenditures

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Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to award and execute a construction contract for the St. Paul – Phalen Interceptor Renewal, Project No. 808820, Contract 16P128, to Visu-Sewer for their low, responsive bid of $8,730,553.75.

Background

Recent inspections of interceptor 7122 revealed corrosion damage to gravity sewer pipe. Deterioration has resulted in exposed reinforcing steel in the pipe and deterioration of maintenance structures. This project will rehabilitate pipe using trenchless lining methods.

On July 12, 2016, five (5) bids were received and opened ranging from $6,797,300 to $11,457,166. Lametti and Sons submitted the apparent low bid, but subsequently withdrew their bid due to an error. Visu-Sewer submitted the lowest responsive bid at $8,730,553,75, which was significantly lower than the Engineer's estimate of $12,451,054.

The project is to be funded by a loan from the Clean Water Revolving Fund, administered by the Minnesota Public Facilities Authority (PFA). Therefore, it has a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal, which has been determined to be 3% women-owned DBE and 3% minority-owned DBE. The Office of Diversity and Equal Opportunity has determined that Visu-Sewer met the numeric goals for this contract.

Rationale

Construction contract awards exceeding $2,500,000 require Council authorization.

Funding

2016 MCES Authorized Capital Program, Project 808820. PFA Clean Water Revolving Fund Loan.
Currently Authorized: $18,800,000
Unencumbered Funds: $18,200,000
Requested Amount: $8,730,553.75

Known Support / Opposition

No known opposition