## **Environment Committee**

Meeting date: December 10, 2019

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of December 11, 2019

Subject: Maple Plain, Medina and Independence Improvements

**District(s), Member(s):** District 1, Judy Johnson **Policy/Legal Reference:** Policy 3-3, Expenditures

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## **Proposed Action**

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute a construction Contract 19P258, for Maple Plain, Medina and Independence Improvements, MCES Project No. 808100 with Meyer Contracting for their low responsive, responsible bid of \$2,739,619.19.

## **Background**

The project includes improvements required to connect the City of Loretto to the Metropolitan Council system at L-63 through the City of Medina/Independence local system. The project includes installation of 2,000 linear feet (LF) of gravity pipe at County Road 19, a meter structure at Independence pump station Number 5, and rehabilitation of Metropolitan Council Lift Station L-63.

The project was advertised on October 7, 2019. A pre-bid meeting was facilitated on October 24, 2019. A public bid opening was held on November 14, 2019. Four bids were received. The bids ranged from \$2,739,619.19 to \$3,103,347.00. Meyer Contracting submitted the lowest responsive and responsible bid. The bid was \$500,000 higher than the engineer's estimate of \$2,226,082.10. After comparative evaluation it was determined that the previous estimate did not correctly reflect the costs of Temporary Conveyance or Building Modifications. The Office of Equal Opportunity established a goal of 15%. Meyer Contracting, exceeded the goal with a commitment of 22%.

#### Rationale

Construction contract awards greater than \$2,500,000 require Council authorization.

# **Thrive Lens Analysis**

This action advances the Thrive Outcome of Stewardship. Public financial resources will be invested efficiently and effectively to maintain the existing wastewater infrastructure, which protects the region's natural resources.

### **Funding**

The project is included in the 2019 MCES Authorized Capital Program.

## **Known Support / Opposition**

Cities of Loretto, Medina, Maple Plain, and Independence and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) are supportive of the project.

