

Environment Committee

Meeting date: February 11, 2020

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of February 12, 2020

Subject: High Strength Waste Hauling Services

District(s), Member(s): District 16, Wendy Wulff

Policy/Legal Reference: Council Expenditure Policy 3-3, Procurement of Goods and Services

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Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorizes award, negotiation and execution of contract 19P371 with Schlomka's Vac Truck Services, Inc. in the amount of \$2,000,000 for hauling high strength waste from Kemps LLC, located in Farmington MN, to the Empire Wastewater Treatment Plant for digestion.

Background

High strength waste hauling services are being provided as required by agreement between the Metropolitan Council and Kemp's LLC, which has been executed under the Council-approved Industrial Pretreatment Incentive Program (IPIP). Reference Business Item Numbers 2017-246 and 2018-14.

The Invitation for bid (IFB) was advertised on December 17, 2019. There were thirteen (13) plan holders. Procurement facilitated a public bid opening on January 16, 2020 when three (3) bids were received. The Office of Equal Opportunity (OEO) did not set a Metropolitan Council Underutilized Business (MCUB) goal for this locally funded project. The Environmental Services business unit provided staff with a list of potential bidders to notify them of the solicitation. Schlomka's Vac Truck Service, Inc. was determined to be the lowest, responsive, and responsible bidder.

Rationale

The award and execution of non-construction services in excess of \$500,000 requires Council approval.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action supports the Thrive outcome of stewardship as the work supports efforts to maintain the region's wastewater treatment system.

Funding

Funding is authorized and available in the operating budget.

Known Support / Opposition

There is no known opposition to this contract.