

Environment Committee

Meeting date: April 27, 2021

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of May 12, 2021

Subject: Metropolitan Council HVAC, Piping, Mechanical, and Sheet Metal Services Rejection of Bids, Contract 20P240

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: Policy 3-3 Expenditures

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Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to reject all bids for HVAC, Piping, Mechanical, and Sheet Metal Services for all MCES Locations, Contract 20P240 and resolicit bids for this contract.

Background

This contract provides HVAC, Piping, Mechanical and Sheet Metal Services for all MCES locations. The Council Wastewater Treatment Plants and Regional Maintenance facilities have numerous HVAC systems that must be maintained for proper operation for creature comfort, process efficiencies and avoidance of permit violations.

The anticipated contract value was \$3,000,000 for a term of five years. The bids included labor and material for a one-year average.

Eight bids were received on December 22, 2020. Bids ranged from \$328,927.50 to \$407,539.37. The Metropolitan Council Underutilized Business (MCUB) goal for this contract was 8%. Seven of the eight lowest bids were determined to be non-responsive and the sole responsive, responsible bidder was 24 percent higher than the lowest bidder.

Rationale

Rejection of bids exceeding \$2,500,000 requires Council authorization.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action supports the Thrive outcome of stewardship. Public financial resources will be invested efficiently and effectively to maintain MCES HVAC systems.

Funding

Funding for this contract is funded with annual operation budgets from each MCES location.

Known Support / Opposition

None.