

Environment Committee

Meeting date: June 8, 2021

For the Metropolitan Council meeting of June 23, 2021

Subject: Metropolitan Council HVAC, Piping, Mechanical, and Sheet Metal Services Amendment, Contract 15P114

District(s), Member(s): All

Policy/Legal Reference: FM14-2 - Expenditures for the Procurement of Goods and Services

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Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to execute a contract amendment with UHL Co. Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$100,000 for additional HVAC, piping, mechanical, and sheet metal services for all MCES locations, Contract 15P114.

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.

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.

The Environment Committee approved rejection of all bids at their April 27, 2021 meeting followed by Metropolitan Council authorization at their May 12, 2021 meeting. MCES is requesting to extend the existing contract so that details can be worked out for a revised scope of work and to allow adequate time for the rebid process.

Rationale

The amendment of this Mechanical Pipefitting Services contract exceeds 10% which requires Council approval.

Thrive Lens Analysis

This action furthers the Thrive outcomes of Stewardship, Prosperity and Equity by MCES Maintenance Business Unit partnering and working with Procurement and OEO to develop a plan and scope of work for our bidding contractors to be successful in the bid process. This creates regional economic competitiveness, thereby attracting and retaining successful businesses from our neighboring communities.

Funding

Funding for this contract amendment will be funded with annual operation budgets from each MCES location requiring services.

Known Support / Opposition

None