Environment Committee
Meeting date: May 11, 2021
For the Metropolitan Council meeting of May 26, 2021

Subject: Interceptor 1-MN-310 Rehabilitation, 15th to 8th Avenue North, Contract 21P007

District(s), Member(s): District 7, Robert Lilligren

Policy/Legal Reference: FM 14-2 - Expenditures for the Procurement of Goods and Services Policy

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Proposed Action
That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to award and execute a contract for Interceptor 1-MN-310 rehabilitation from 15th to 8th Avenue North, project 807667, contract 21P007 to Michels Corporation for the rehabilitation of 1,850 feet of interceptor and five maintenance holes, in an amount not to exceed $2,706,093.

Background
Interceptor 1-MN-310 was built under 2nd Street North in the City of Minneapolis in 1932. Recent inspection identified Condition 4 deterioration between 15th and 3rd Avenue North. The City has scheduled a complete rebuild of their underground utilities and surface improvements on 2nd Street North between West Broadway and 10th Avenue North in 2022. The City requested MCES complete interceptor rehabilitation work prior to the street reconstruction to minimize conflicts between construction contractors, minimize disruptions to the public, and streamline public communications. Completing MCES work prior to City work will also protect MCES facilities when deep excavations are opened up adjacent to the facilities during City directed work.

MCES work will include rehabilitating 1-MN-310 from 15th to 8th Avenue North using cured in place pipe (CIPP) lining; rehabilitating maintenance holes using spray on liner; and cleaning and inspecting the siphon to prepare for a future project that will rehabilitate the siphon and the remainder of the Condition 4 pipe to down to 3rd Avenue North.

A formal Invitation for Bids was advertised on March 1, 2021. There were thirty-six plan holders including nine prime bidders twenty subcontractors, suppliers, consultants, and six plan rooms. Ten plan holders identified as woman, minority, veteran, or disadvantaged business enterprises.

A pre.bid meeting was hosted by Council staff that outlined the solicitation requirements, discussed project specifications, and responded to plan holder inquires. Procurement facilitated a public bid opening on April 6, 2021 and five bids were received. The five bids received, ranged from $2,706,093 to $4,134,157.

The Office of Equal Opportunity (OEO) set a Metropolitan Council Underutilized Businesses (MCUB) goal of eight percent (8%). OEO determined that Michels Corporation made good faith efforts to meet the MCUB goal.
**Rationale**
Michels Corporation submitted the low responsive, responsible bid and is recommended for award. The execution of a construction contract in excess of $2,500,000 requires Council approval.

**Thrive Lens Analysis**
This action advances the Thrive Outcomes of Stewardship and Sustainability. Public financial resources will be responsibly invested to support orderly and economic development while maintaining the regional wastewater system assets, which protect the region’s natural resources.

**Funding**
2021 MCES Authorized Capital Program, Project 807667.

**Known Support / Opposition**
Staff representatives of Minneapolis Public Works are in support of this project. There is no known opposition.