

# Business Item

Environment Committee



Committee Meeting Date: May 24, 2022

For the Metropolitan Council: June 8, 2022

## Business Item: 2022-149

Authorization to Hold a Public Hearing for Metropolitan Wastewater Treatment Plant Services Buildings & Site Improvements

**District(s), Member(s):** Council District 13, Council Member Chai Lee  
**Policy/Legal Reference:** MN Rule 7077.0272, subpart 3  
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### Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorizes a public hearing for the Metropolitan Wastewater Treatment Plant services buildings & site improvements projects 805998 and 808923, Contract 21P015.

### Background

Information Item (The Design-Build Delivery Approach for Selected Metro Plant Capital Projects) was presented to the Environment Committee on May 12, 2020, that recommended Design-Build for the Metropolitan Wastewater Treatment Plant (MWWTP) services buildings & site improvements projects.

Minnesota Statutes section 473.524 permits the Council to exercise the authority it had under Minnesota Statutes Chapter 471A which includes providing capital-intensive public services using the design-build delivery method. Before entering into a contract, the Council must hold a public hearing.

### Rationale

Minnesota law requires the Council to hold a public hearing before entering into a contract under Minnesota Statutes section 473.524.

### Thrive Lens Analysis

This action advances the Thrive outcomes of Stewardship and Collaboration. Public financial resources will be invested efficiently and effectively to design and construct buildings for MCES staff. The public hearing will encourage public input.

### Funding

Funds for the project's design and construction are included in the 2022 Capital Program.

### Small Business Inclusion

Not applicable for this business item.