Business Item

Environment Committee



Committee meeting date: May 13, 2025 For the Metropolitan Council: May 14, 2025

Business Item: 2025-118 SW

Seneca Site & Pipe Restoration, Project No. 807864, Contract 24P242

District(s), member(s): District 4, Deb Barber; District 5, John Pacheco Jr.; District 15,

Vacant

Policy/legal reference: Council Policy FM 14-2 Expenditures for the Procurement of Goods,

Services and Real Estate Policy

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Proposed action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize its Regional Administrator to award and execute Contract 24P242 with PCI Roads for the Seneca Site and Pipe Restoration project in an amount not to exceed \$10,466,727.

Background

This project repairs two essential pipes at the Seneca Water Resource Reclamation Facility and constructs stormwater and groundwater system upgrades. The first pipe is the main influent line from the meter vault to the bar screens. The second pipe is the 36" Return Activated Sludge line which returns the process bacteria to the aeration basin to maintain our biological process.

Both pipes were inspected and found to be corroding and structurally compromised. A failure of either pipe would prevent Seneca from being able to treat incoming wastewater. New buried piping and a stormwater pond constructed by this project will help keep groundwater and stormwater from pooling on the roads and freezing.

The invitation for bids was advertised on January 7, 2025. A pre-bid meeting was hosted by Council staff that outlined solicitation requirements, discussed project specifications and responded to plan holder inquiries. There were forty plan holders, seven prime bidders, three consultants, twenty-eight suppliers and subcontractors, two plan rooms, and ten of the plan holders identified as woman, minority, small, veteran, or disadvantaged business enterprises.

Procurement facilitated a public bid opening on February 11th, 2025, and two bids were received. Bids ranged from \$10,369,745 to \$10,466,727. PCI Roads is the low responsive and responsible bidder and is recommended for award.

Rationale

The execution of a construction contract exceeding \$10,000,000 requires Council approval.

Thrive lens analysis

On February 12, 2025, the Council adopted Imagine 2050, which builds on policy direction in

Thrive MSP 2040. Under the Thrive lens, this procurement supports the Thrive Outcomes for stewardship and sustainability as the work supports efforts to maintain the region's wastewater treatment system as well as invest in it so that it can be operated in an effective and efficient way.

Funding

This project will be funded through local funding.

Small business inclusion

The Office of Equity and Equal Opportunity (OEEO) assigned a Metropolitan Council Underutilized Business (MCUB) goal of 15% for this solicitation. OEEO determined that the firm being recommended for award has met the MCUB requirements of this contract.